



**Be kind. Be ambitious. Be the best you can be!**

**Issue Number 10: Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

As is always the case, we have had another week full of busy. We started our week off coming to school in odd socks in order to celebrate what makes us all unique. It was great popping in and out of classes and seeing all of the different combinations of socks!

Our eco ambassadors have been keeping everyone right with saving energy, ensuring we have all been switching off our lights and projectors when not in class. Great work from them.

Our History Ambassadors enjoyed their visit over to Winton Court where they handed over some of our art work to the residents and had a little chat with them before heading back to school. It is always lovely to get our children out in the community.

On Thursday, as part of World Kindness day, we were all encouraged to write nice messages to each other and say kind things to one another. Hopefully the children all continued this when they arrived back at home!

On Friday, we had lots of fun raising money for Children in Need. All of the children enjoyed coming to school in non-uniform. They completed lots of Pudsey related activities throughout the course of the day. Thanks for all of your donations.

I hope you have an amazing weekend. See you all next week.

*Mrs Chard*

#### **UNIVERSITY STUDENTS:**

This week, we have welcomed Miss Davidson into Reception. She will be working alongside Mrs Moffatt and Miss Taylor. Miss Davidson will be with us through to February.

Next week, we welcome Mr Toward into Maple class. He will be working alongside Miss Brown, and again will be with us until February.

#### **CHILDREN IN NEED:**



This year, we have supported children in Need in school. It was lovely to see all of the children coming into school in either non-uniform, Pudsey clothing or spotty clothes. Any donations can be paid online direct to the charity on the following link.

<https://donate.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk>

#### **PARENTS EVENINGS:**

Please remember it is parents night next week. If you haven't booked your appointment, please speak to the school office for further information on how to book a slot. You will be able to sign up for an appointment on **Arbor**. Please log on to and make a booking if you haven't already.

#### **PE UNIFORM:**

A reminder that our schools PE uniform for children in Years 1-6 is:

- Plain black jogging bottoms, leggings or shorts
- Red school t-shirt
- Red school hoodie or school jumper
- Trainers

#### **KLUBZ UPDATE:**

Please note, on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December Klubz will only be available until 4.30pm. This will show separately in parentpay.



## REMEMBRANCE DAY:

This year's Remembrance Sunday was marked on 9<sup>th</sup> November, with Armistice Day on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2025. Within school, all classes have been learning about this appropriate to their age. They have completed art work related to poppies. Our History ambassadors took some of the wonderful work over to Winton Court to share with the residents. Mrs Myers and our History ambassadors also led a Remembrance Day assembly within school, where we all took part in the two minute silence. One of our History ambassadors was keen to update you:



*On Tuesday, all of the history ambassadors went to Winton Court to show some lovely pictures that our friends had made for the residents there. These pictures were made to represent Remembrance Day. This is a day when we think of those who fought in the war so that we can be here now. The whole school made lovely poppy and soldier pictures, and this year, like we do every year on November 11th, we stopped for two minutes to think of the amazing people who sacrificed their lives for us. So we'd like to say thanks to the people who were there in our darkest of times. This is what we've been thinking of this week.*

**Maisey**

## ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 2025:

Anti-bullying week took place this week. The theme for this year was Power for Good. We have completed lots of activities throughout school to mark this important week. Odd socks day took place on Monday; this was an opportunity for everyone to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique! It was great to see the different sock choices. On Thursday, we marked World Kindness Day. Some of our classes took part in a virtual assembly. All children were encouraged to spread kindness throughout the day.



## WORLD NURSERY RHYME WEEK:

This week, Early Years celebrated world nursery rhyme week. This week has been World Nursery Rhyme week. In nursery and reception we have been celebrating the importance of nursery rhymes in early childhood development and have been uploading one video a day to Facebook of our children singing our key nursery rhymes for this term. More information about World Nursery Rhyme week can be found here:



[Home - World Nursery Rhyme Week](#)

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### **SWITCH OFF FORTNIGHT (10th November – 21st November)**

This week our Eco Ambassadors have commenced their mission to help save energy during Switch Off Fortnight! They have been making sure that all lights and interactive boards are turned off during break and lunchtimes, and they have put up posters around school to remind everyone: 'If you're not using it, switch it off!'

Next week, every class will also take part in a special Switch Off Afternoon, where all lights and appliances will be turned off for the whole afternoon. This event will help raise awareness and get everyone talking and thinking about why it's so important not to waste electricity. We're sure the children will show great enthusiasm — and hopefully, you'll start seeing them switching things off more often at home too!

Did you know a TV and games console left on standby all the time can use up to £80 of electricity a year?

### **INTER FAITH WEEK:**

This week in school we have celebrated Inter Faith week. Inter Faith Week is an annual initiative held in November that aims to strengthen interfaith relations across the UK. It aims to raise awareness of the diverse contributions of faith communities and promote an understanding among people of different religious and non-religious beliefs.

**Inter Faith  
Week**



This year's theme was 'Community-Together we serve'. In school the children have been carrying out different tasks and holding lots of discussions around what they think 'Community' means.

Thank you to all of those who have submitted poems for the competition. If you haven't had a chance yet, it isn't too late to enter. Please see below for information:

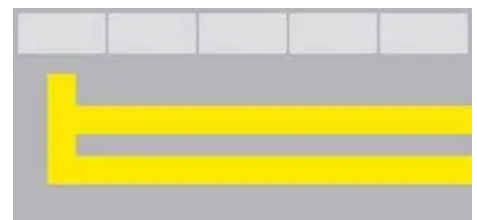
We are also holding a poetry competition in which we would love parents, carers and children to get involved.

With your child could you please write a poem all about 'Community'. It has to be up to and no longer than 10 lines long and should be written by you and your child. Think of these three questions to help you: 1. What does helping the community look like? 2. How can serving others bring us together? 3. Would it be a community without kindness? All entries should be sent into school no later than Monday 24th November. There will be a KS1 and KS2 winner announced the same week. The two winning poems will then be entered into the national competition where certificates and prizes can be won, Good Luck!

### **SAFEGUARDING - ROAD SAFETY WEEK:**

Road Safety Week is Brake's biggest road safety campaign. Every year, thousands of schools, organisations and communities get involved to share important road safety messages. This year it runs from 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> November. This year's theme is 'Safe Vehicles Save Lives.'

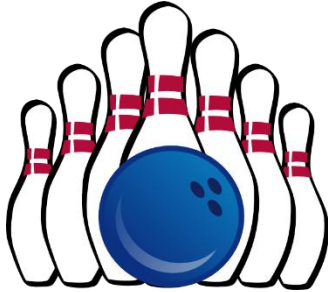
At school drop off and pick up, please can I remind everyone to be courteous and think carefully about where to park, as recently we have witnessed cars being parked half on the path which is making it extremely difficult for people with buggies or in wheelchairs to get by safely, often forcing them to go on the road.



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**BOWLING:**

We are super proud of the children who represented Parkhead in the bowling competition this week. They all had a great time and impressed Miss Cummings and Miss Blakeburn with their bowling skills.



**CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL:**

Last week we had the pleasure of two children telling the rest of the school about their achievements. One was for receiving player of the match during their first football training session, where they were awarded with a medal. The other was for coming third in an ice-skating competition. We do like to hear about any achievements outside of school. If your child would like to bring any medals / trophies etc into school to share with the rest of school, we do this as part of our Friday assembly. Please do encourage them to bring them in. This week we have had swimming medals and a motor sport medal.

**CHRISTMAS:**

We have some exciting Christmas events planned for this half term. These include singalongs, performances and carols and reading in church. Please save the dates in your diary.

**CHRISTMAS LUNCH:**

Our Christmas lunch day is Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December. You will be order this on Parentpay nearer to the date.



**WINTER RAFFLE:**

Our wonderful winter raffle will be on sale from next week. £1 per strip with many prizes to be won.

Top prizes include football boots signed by the only and only Sean Neave. There are also tickets for Newcastle V Aston Villa game January 2026. Please note, these tickets cannot be sold nor transferred.

**WIN**ter  
Raffle



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# Star of the week

Class	Star
Seedlings	Raya
Acorns	Trent
Saplings	Qurratul-Ain
Beech	Iyla
Elm	Lexi
Willow	Olivia
Cherry	Brooke
Maple	Charlie
Spruce	Brodie
Cedar	Jack
Oak	Oscar
Birch	Kyran
Pine	Ruby

Mrs Chard's Stars of the week	
Early Years	Veronica
Key Stage 1	Paddy
Key Stage 2	Rosie Payton

## FunClub

Well done

