

Parkhead Community Primary School

Weekly News Bulletin



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

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What a great penultimate week we have had. As always, it has been full of busy, with Reception getting ready for their graduation event, Y3/4 polishing their singing ready for their performance and Year 6 rehearsing their end of year leavers assembly. It is great to see their enthusiasm and passion. You will thoroughly enjoy them, but remember to bring your tissues along with you.

By next Wednesday, you should have received your child's end of year report. If you do not have them via email, please contact the school office who will be more than happy to assist with ensuring you have a copy.

We can't believe that next week is our final week in school. This year has certainly flown over. It is that time of year where we will be sad to see our lovely Year 6s leave us to commence their journey into secondary school. However, we know that they are ready for the new challenges. We wish them all lots of luck on their next adventure!

I hope you all have a great weekend.

Mrs Chard

YEAR 6 LEAVERS ASSEMBLY:

Our wonderful Year 6s have been practising lots on their leaver's assembly. We hope you enjoy coming along to it to give them the send off that they deserve. You are in for a great show!

FOOTBALL SHIRT RAFFLE:

If you are still wanting to purchase a number on the football top raffle, please make sure you do so by Monday morning as it will be drawn in school on Monday.

Numbers are £1.00 each.



ARBOR:



Thank you to all for accepting the change from Operoo to Arbor. We now have 80% of parent/carers signed up to the portal which is amazing.

We hope you are finding this app easier and useful. Thank you for your patience as we roll this out as this is also new to us. Please can we ask if you have not yet registered to please do so via the login-in details sent in your email. If you have not received this or having problems, please let the office know.

To confirm **we no longer use Operoo** and you will not be able to log in to this.

PARENT PAY: ParentPay

After Friday 18th July you will no longer have access to school hub. This will be replaced with ParentPay for school meals selection and payments as well as Klubz bookings, trips and after school clubs. Over the summer we will be loading all the information required in order to launch to parents before we return in September. Please check your emails over summer for further details.

RETURN IN SEPTEMBER 2025:

Children will return to school Tuesday 2nd September 2025.
School will be closed to all children for staff development on Mon 1st September.

MEET THE TEACHER SESSIONS:

Meet the teacher sessions are planned in for week 2 of the autumn term (week 3 for Year 6 due to Robinwood). Each class will be holding two sessions, one at 3.30pm and the other at 4.00pm. You only need to attend one, however, it gives you more flexibility as we know that many families have more than one child attending our school. It would be great to see as many of you there as possible, so remember to add the dates to your diary. The sessions will provide you with information regarding the curriculum for their year group, expectations and how you can help at home. Please see dates and times on the information sent out via email.

SUMMER FAYRE:

Thank you so much to all of you who came to support our school summer fayre last Friday. We really do appreciate your support. We were blown away by the total raised, which came to almost £2.000. Thank you to everyone who donated prizes for our tombola and raffle. A massive shout out to many businesses who donated, including: Omnicom, Amazon, Cakeaholics, Hall Hill Farm, Nails by Natalia Memories in Ink, Alnwick Gardens, Greggs, Ouseburn Trust, Better leisure and Winlton food & wine store.

NEWCASTLE UNITED FOUNDATION:

It has been great working with Mr Elliott from NUF this year. Next year, we have signed up for NUF to come into school again for one day per week to deliver high quality PE sessions across school from Nursery through to Year 6. They will also be delivering an after school club each week. These clubs will be rotated throughout the year, ensuring all children from Reception through to Year 6 get a chance to take part. We are excited to be working with them again next year.

YEAR 5 AND 6 WORKSHOPS:

This week, we had a member of the Metrocentre team popping into school to deliver workshops to our Year 5 and 6 children to raise awareness of the value and benefit of the Metrocentre. The driver for this work has been instances of low level anti-social behaviour in the centre, spiking in school holidays. As we are approaching the holidays, it was good to work with the team to further educate our children.

EXCITING PROJECT:

We are very excited to be part of the Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS) project. The purpose of the project is to improve the experience of mainstream school for children who may have an additional educational need. We have already started our work with the relevant teams and this will continue all of the way through to March 2026. As part of the project, parents/carers are invited to complete a short survey. The information from the survey will be used to understand the current strengths and potential areas of improvement in a school. You should now have the link for the survey. Thanks to those who have already completed it for us. If you haven't had a chance to complete it just yet, don't worry, you still have time to submit your response.

MUSIC TUITION:

Next year, we are excited to be continuing to work with Mr Langford. He will be working with our Key Stage 2 children, further developing their ability to play the ukulele and read music. Hopefully we will be able to invite you into next year to see the progress your child has made.

KS2 TTRS Battle:

On Tuesday 8th July, KS2 children completed their TTRS 'Top of the Rocks' Battle against another local school in Gateshead. We now have the results and I am pleased to announce...

WE WERE VICTORIOUS!! A big well done to all of the children for their incredible effort... it really brought out their competitive streak! The tournament was such a success that we hope to continue next year - let's see how long we can hold onto the title!



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Advice at the School Gates

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- Housing and tenancies
- Crisis support and help in need
- Employee and employer rights
- Discrimination and unfair treatment
- Relationship issues
- Support for people with dementia
- Consumer rights

You can call us on **0191 300 4679** Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm
or email us at schoolgates@citizensadvicegateshead.org.uk
You can ask about making a dedicated appointment with an adviser when you call or email us!

FunClub



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KLUBZ After School Focussed Activity Timetable – Week Commencing Monday 7th July 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Loom Bands	Free night	Recycled creations	Tension	Ipad night

Star of the week

Class	Star
Seedlings	Oscar
Acorns	Niyaesh
Saplings	Archie
Beech	Lilly
Elm	Archie
Willow	Georgie
Cherry	Veronica
Spruce	Charlie
Maple	Lillie
Birch	Summer
Cedar	April
Pine	Carter

Mrs Chard's Stars of the week	
Early Years	Sky
Key Stage 1	Lilly
Key Stage 2	Adam Lenny

