



PARKLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL
PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER
Friday 9th September 2022



I am sure that, like us here at Parklands, you are filled with sadness at the passing of Queen Elizabeth II.

We have remembered her in our assembly today, and the children have had a chance to talk about their feelings with their teacher, if they wished to do so. We will also be holding more assemblies next week, to look back on and celebrate her life.

We join with the rest of the nation in giving thanks for her long years of service, and we are thankful that we were able to come together to celebrate the extraordinary achievement of her Platinum Jubilee.

If this news has particularly affected your child (perhaps reminding them of a loss in their own family) please let Mrs Shahnaz Zaman know, and she will offer a Wellbeing check.

WELCOME BACK!

We hope that you have all had a wonderful summer. The children have settled back into school beautifully, and their new teachers are very impressed with their behaviour and their fantastic attitude to learning!

PHOTO PREFERENCES & ARBOR INFORMATION

As we have a few updates to these, please can you log on to Arbor and re-confirm your photo preferences. Can you also check that we have the right contact details so that we are able to get in touch with you if needed.

Many thanks!

DATES, DATES, DATES



Here are some key dates for your diary:

Welcome to Year Group Meetings

Our 'Welcome to Year Group' meetings are in person for the first time in 3 years, and will cover some key year group information for you all. Here are the timings:

19th Sept – Y1 Meeting at 8:50am
20th Sept – Y2 Meeting at 8:50am
21st Sept – Y3 Meeting at 8:50am
22nd Sept – Y4 Meeting at 8:50am
23rd Sept – Y5 Meeting at 8:50am
26th Sept – Y6 Meeting at 8:50am

Of course, if you have any questions before this, please pop in to see your child's class teacher, or email via the office.

Thursday 25th September at 5:30pm - Year 6 residential information evening

Thursday 13th October – parents evening

Thursday 20th October – parents evening

Wednesday 19th October – Halloween disco (KS1 3:30-4:30pm / KS2 4:45 – 5:45pm)

More information regarding parents evening and the school disco to follow

Parent Workshops

Alongside information on the website, we will be holding some workshop meetings to share our teaching processes around the following subjects:

KS1 – Wednesday 28th September at 5pm

Covering school approaches to teaching handwriting, phonics and Maths in KS1

KS2 – Thursday 29th September at 5:00pm

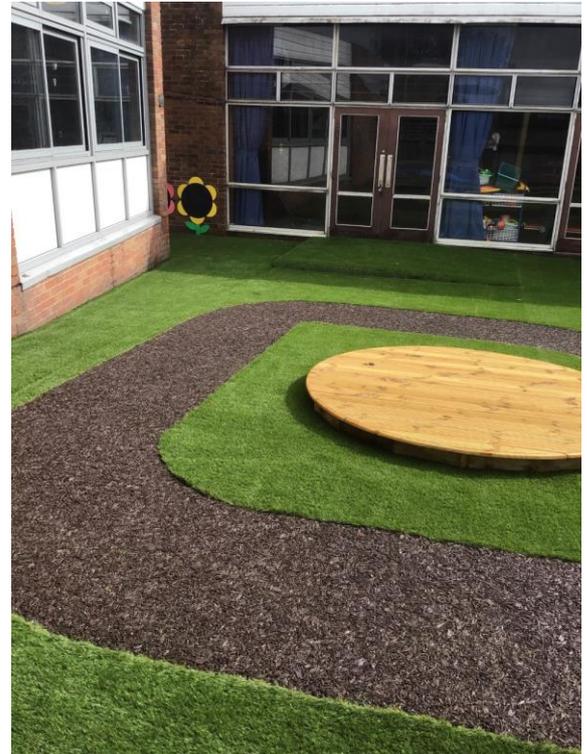
Covering school approaches to teaching reading, Maths, spelling punctuation and grammar

SUMMER UPDATE

Once again we have had a very busy Summer!
Our Reception outdoor area has been completely transformed!



We are really looking forward to our Reception children joining us next week and using it! We kindly ask that during drop off and pick up times, you do not let your child play on this area as it is set out for the use of EYFS children and no children should be on this area unsupervised.



PHASE LEADERS

There is a slight change to phases this year:

- EYFS lead - Ashleigh Kerr – reception classes
- Phase 1 lead - Ella Thompson year 1 and 2 classes
- Phase 2 lead – Lynsey Millar - year 3 and 4 classes
- Phase 3 lead – Michael Hayes – Year 5 and 6 classes

As always, we have an open door for any queries or concerns, so do please feel free to contact your Phase Leader through the main school office.

Have a wonderful weekend, everyone!