

Welcome to this week's Parkfield Press

Warm Weather Reminder

It looks like the warmer weather has finally arrived! As the children will now be spending more time outside, please can we ask that all children come to school with a refillable water bottle, a sun hat and sun cream has already been applied prior to your child coming into school each day, as we are unable to apply for them in school. Please also ensure that children who suffer with hay fever have taken antihistamines, particularly on PE days. Thank you for your help in keeping the children protected during this lovely weather!



Side Gate Closure

Please be aware that with immediate effect, the side gate between the Year 3 and Year 4 classrooms will be closed at 3.45pm each day, to ensure the safety of our children taking part in after school clubs.

Please ensure you collect your child and leave the school site promptly at the end of each day.

If you find that you that the gate has been closed, please find a member of staff outside who will be able to unlock the gate - please do not enter the school without a member of staff present. Thank you for your cooperation.

A little note to our Year 6 students...

Please have a relaxing and restful weekend with lots of fresh air and sleep, so that you are ready for the exciting week ahead. Well done for all your hard work and focus this year so far; you have all been amazing and we are all so proud of you. We wish you the best of luck for your assessment week.

SATS Breakfast

A reminder that we will be providing an extra breakfast treat on the benches outside the Year 6 classrooms from 8.40am for the four days of the tests next week. Please note that the breakfast treats in school are in addition to, and not a replacement for, usual breakfasts at home.

Trip to Bristol – Year 3

On Friday 3rd May, Year 3 had the experience of visiting a Jewish Synagogue and a History Museum in Bristol.

In the synagogue, the children learnt about the Jewish religion and explored the religious objects. They then also visited the Bristol Museum and looked at artefacts and information on the Ancient Egyptians, to assist with our current topic work. The children were really well behaved and had an amazing day – well done Year 3!



UNCRC Article 31 (Right to take part in artistic and cultural activities)

Kilve Activity Day – Year 3

In preparation for the Year 4 residential visit to Kilve in September, Year 3 had an exciting opportunity for a taster day on Wednesday 8th May.

They were able to meet the staff, familiarise themselves with the environment but most importantly, have lots of fun! The children focussed on their communication skills and good team work throughout the fun activities such as low ropes, wall climbing, environmental art and archery!

The weather was fantastic and great fun was had by all.



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Strike & Field Event – Year 5

Last Wednesday morning, the Year 5 students travelled to Castle School for a Strike and Field Sports festival.

Led by the pupils from Castle school, we joined children from many other Taunton primary schools in games of cricket and rounders. The day was a huge success and the cooperation, encouragement and sportsmanship shown by all of the children was lovely to see!



UNCRC Article 29 (Right for education to develop a child's personality)

Cross Country – Year 3 / Year 4

Congratulations to all the Year 3 and 4 children who took part in the Cross Country event at Kings Hall last week.

Once again, the standard of running was extremely high with Heath HD and Xavier S finishing first and second respectively for Year 3.

Well done to everyone who represented the school. The runners were Jack P, Xavier S, Heath HD, Jack L, Olivia L, Brandon K, Thomas H and Mohammad AN.



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Cricket Match – Somerset Cricket Club

On Wednesday 1st May, 44 KS2 children visited the Somerset County Cricket Ground to watch a Rachael Heyhoe Flint Trophy Womens cricket match between our local team Western Storm and a visiting team South East Stars.

The children were also entertained with activities and face painting from our local Cricket Foundation, whilst we waited for the game to start following a weather delay. The children were also lucky enough to get autographs from the 2 teams, which they were extremely excited about.



It was a lovely day despite the weather and the children represented Parkfield brilliantly – well done!

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Important Information – School Office

Medication in school

Please ensure that you complete a consent to administer medicines form for all medicine your child needs while in school. The medicine must be handed in with a completed form to the office. No child should have medicine in their school bag.

Medical Appointments / Early Collection

If your child is going to be away from school for any reason, please ensure you make the school office team aware that your child will be absent / collected early. We have a legal requirement to ensure all children are accounted for and classroom staff are often unable to pass messages to the attendance officer in a timely matter when children are not in school.

Lost Property

We have accumulated a vast amount of lost property this school year. Please could we remind you to **label all uniform** so that we can do our best to return lost items to your children.

We encourage parents to look for lost property in the storage boxes on the Year 3 decking. **Please be aware that any lost property not collected by 24th May 2024 (all clothing and items) will be removed.**

Also on the decking there is now a good selection of pre-loved uniform in clear plastic boxes which is available for anyone who needs it – please help yourself. If you would like to give a donation in return for pre-loved uniform, this can be given to the school office who will pass on the funds to the PTFA.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all families who have donated pre-loved uniform and the PTFA who organise the uniform for us.

UNCRC Article 27 (adequate standard of living) Food, clothing, a safe home.

Summer Half Term – Holiday Camps

Premier Education will be running a holiday camp at Parkfield during the half term and an INSET Day camp at Holy Trinity Primary School on Monday 3rd June. Further information can be found on the flyers at the end of the newsletter.

To book, please click the following link: <https://family.premier-education.com/>

For any enquiries regarding the holiday camps, please contact: Andrew Overhill (07776 108281) at Premier Education.

Online Safety Focus

This week's website recommendation from the Online Safety Champions is ...

<https://www.vodafone.co.uk/mobile/digital-parenting/parental-controls-and-filtering>

Vodafone has a really useful guide to parental controls and filtering options.

UNCRC Article 17 (Right to access information from the media)

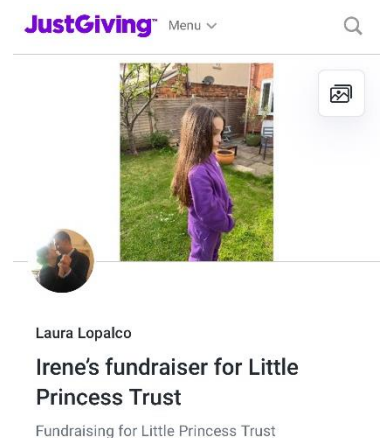
Out of School Achievements – Little Princess Trust

Irene F (Year 3) has made the decision to donate her hair to The Little Princess Trust, a charity who provide real hair wigs, free of charge, to children and young people who have lost their own hair through cancer treatment and other conditions.

Irene was inspired to donate her hair by her teaching assistant Mrs Nettlefold, who last year shaved her head to raise money for cancer research. Irene said "Mrs Nettlefold gave me the courage to do it!"

Prior to having her hair cut, Irene will also be raising money for the charity – please click on the link below if you would like to support her with her fundraising campaign. Well done Irene – we're all very proud of you!

<https://tinyurl.com/yc36cpa5>



Out of School Achievements – County Tennis

At the end of April, Sophie T and Jack P (Year 3) had their first experience of playing tennis at county level, having been chosen to represent Somerset U8s for the County Cup competition at the Atlantic Racquet Centre in Bideford.

Playing against excellent players from Cornwall, Devon and Avon counties, Jack played brilliantly for the boy's team, winning 4 out of his 6 singles matches. He also won a 'fair play' award for his impeccable conduct on the court. In the girl's team, Sophie won 5 out of 8 of her singles matches winning against players from all three other counties.

An amazing performance, well done Jack and Sophie!



UNCRC Article 15 (Right to join groups and organisations)

Out of School Achievements – Football

The Hornets (U9s) at Tone Youth Football Club Valle featuring Jude K, Oakley P and Milo G from Year 4 came runners up in the Bowl at Cup Finals Day of the Taunton and District Youth League which was hosted at Minehead Football Club.

The team won their semi-final match 3-2 against Ruishton and then lost in the final match against Staplegrove. All three boys played brilliantly well with Jude and Milo both scoring goals.

Well done – an amazing achievement!



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Out of School Achievements – Cross Country

Several children from Parkfield qualified to represent Taunton & Wellington in the Inter Area Somerset County Cross Country event in Yeovil. The event took place at the end of April with the children running 2k and resulted in the district placing 2nd overall.

The Y5/6 boys team placed 1st in their round and the Y5/6 girls team and the Y3/4 boys team came 2nd in their respective races, with Heath HD (Year 3) running the fastest time from all the Y3/4 boys across the county.

Congratulations to Summer, Sofia, Verity, Sienna, Tom, George, Theo, Thomas, Xavier and Heath for being selected and running incredible races!

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Sophie T (Year 3) took part in a Swimathon in April, swimming 1500m in just 49 minutes! She also found out she'd passed her 'step 2' ukulele exam with distinction scoring an incredible 97/100 points.

Well done Sophie!



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Congratulations to Declan N (Year 5) who scored his first and the winning goal for his football team last weekend, earning himself man of the match!

Well done Declan!



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House Points

Well done Mercury & Venus!

We award house points to the children as a reward for positive work and behaviour.

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Key Dates

May 2024	
Mon 13 th – Thurs 16 th	Year 6 – SATs Week
Fri 17 th	Reception, Year 3 & Year 6 – Space Dome
Mon 20 th – Fri 24 th	Health Week
Tues 21 st	Reception – Sports Day (2pm – 3pm)
Wed 22 nd	Reception - Multi-Skills Festival (Castle School)
Wed 22 nd	Years 1 & 2 – Sports Day (2pm – 3pm)
Thurs 23 rd	Years 3 & 4 – Sports Day (2pm – 3pm)
Thurs 23 rd	Year 5 – Civic Award Event (6pm – 8pm)
Fri 24 th	Years 5 & 6 – Sports Day (2pm – 3pm)
Mon 27 th – Fri 31 st	HALF TERM
June 2024	
Mon 3 rd	INSET Day
Tues 4 th	Back to School
Wed 5 th	Year 1 - Multi-Skills Festival (Castle School)
Fri 7 th	Non-Uniform Day for PTFA Summer Fete donations (Bottles & chocolates)
Fri 7 th	Year 6 – Shakespeare Workshop
Tues 11 th	Tempest Photographs – Whole School
Wed 12 th	Year 6 – Games Festival (Castle School)
Fri 14 th	PTFA Summer Fete (6pm – 8pm)
Thurs 20 th	Pembrokeshire Information Meeting for Year 6 Parents / Carers (3:45pm)
Thurs 27 th	Parkfield Orchestra Concert

We will endeavour to stick to the proposed dates and times. However, there could be times when events/dates will need to be changed. If this does happen, we will give you as much notice as possible.

Thank you for continued help and support.



Gareth Jones
Headteacher



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Childcare Voucher Payment

The school accepts many different types of childcare vouchers: Sodexo, Computershare, Faircare, Gov.UK etc

For identification purposes and audit trail, we require the following information each time a new transaction is made: Reference number, date the transaction will reach the school account, value, provider, child's name.

This will help the school transfer credits in a timely manner. Thank you for your support.

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Thank you, Howards (Citroen/Honda/Hyundai/MG/Peugeot/Suzuki) Taunton

NORTH CURRY YOUTH FC GIRLS FOOTBALL TASTER DAYS!



NCYFC is offering **3 FREE TASTER SESSIONS FOR GIRLS ONLY** in
Year 3 and 4!

This is the perfect place to hone their skills and have an opportunity to
fall in love with the game! Come along for fun, challenging and
empowering sessions with UEFA C qualified coaches!

FIRST SESSION: SATURDAY 1st JUNE 2024

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

(following sessions 8th June, 15th June, 2nd July)

White Street Sports Ground

North Curry

TA3 6AS

To register an interest, please contact:

ncyfgirls@gmail.com or scan the QR code above!

NORTH CURRY YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB ON FACEBOOK

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PREMIER EDUCATION TAUNTON HOLIDAY CAMPS



Tuesday 28th, Wednesday 29th & Thursday 30th May 2024

Venue: Parkfield Primary School

Time: 9:00am- 4.00pm Price: £21.00 each day

MULTI-SPORTS ACTIVITY DAYS



Our 'famous' Sports:

Dodgeball- Working as a team, children will work together to try and hit the other team with their dodgeballs!

Nerf Games- Children will be split into teams where they will build unbreakable forts to take cover from the other teams!

Taekwondo- Patterns, hand attacks, blocks and self defence are just a handful of taekwondo techniques children will learn from our coach Sharon!



Childcare
vouchers
accepted

Other activities :

Dance/gym/yoga- Children will get to express movement through our dance and gym sessions!

Arts and crafts- A chance for children to take a break from all the running around and relax!

Football- One of the more classic sports we run. Children will be put in teams to play a 5-aside tournament.

Please bring a packed lunch and soft drinks! Please wear sports/casual clothes.

How to book:

Online- www.premier-education.com

Call Andrew- 07776 108281



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**PREMIER EDUCATION
CHILDCARE (INSET
DAYS)**

Monday 3rd June 2024
**Venue: Holy Trinity PS, South Street
Taunton TA1 3AF**

**£21 for
all day!**

**9:00am
- 3.30pm**

All ages welcome:
From Reception to
Year 6! Please bring
a packed lunch and
drinks.

A mix of sports
all day from
gymnastics to
dodgeball.

Your favourite games of
**Hunter, Jailball,
Football, Nerf Games &
much more!!!**

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