

## Welcome to this week's Parkfield Press

Last week, the Eco-Committee had a wonderful email from Peter Littlewood - director of Better Planet Schools, informing us that we have won one of the first of Better Planet School's major prizes as a result of the reports we submitted further to completing our Plastic and Energy modules.



CorEnergy, which is part of the Sureserve Group - a sponsor of Better Planet Schools – will be giving us the following:

- Full lighting survey, including lighting controls, staff behaviour and emergency lighting compliance
- Biodiversity investment, including the purchase and planting of a number of trees
- Advisory information regarding Solar PV installation including help navigating potential funding from the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme

We are so proud that our hard work and commitment to creating a more sustainable community and educating our young people is being recognised.

**Well done Eco Committee – keep being green!**

Mrs Bowkett

## Great Fire of London Workshop – Year 1

Earlier this week, our Year 1 classes had a mesmerizing time with Thomas Farriner (aka Steve Manning).

They were captivated by his story telling and were fantastic in recalling the facts learnt about the Great Fire of London: dates, locations and historical characters involved. Well done Year 1!



**UNCRC Article 24 (Right to stay safe)**

## SS Great Britain Trip / Brunel Workshop – Year 2

On Wednesday last week, Year 2 visited the SS Great Britain in Bristol as part of our Brunel work in history.

We found out what it was like to be a Victorian child on the ship by exploring a variety of Victorian toys. We dressed up in period clothes and event wrote like a Victorian using dip pens – it was quite tricky and very messy!

We were taken on a tour of the ship which was amazing! We saw where the lower-class passengers stayed – it was cramped and would have been very smelly! The upper classes sailed in luxury with individual cabins and a beautiful dining room. Did you know the SS Great Britain took nearly 8 weeks to sail to Australia!

On Monday this week, Brunel visited us here at school! Steve Manning, a historical story teller, dressed up as Brunel and told us all about his life and his achievements. The children were truly mesmerized by him!



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## Hockey – Year 5 / Year 6

Congratulations to the Year 5 and Year 6 Hockey Team who took part in a friendly tournament held at Bridgwater and Taunton College.

The team played 3 games and secured a win, a draw and a loss. The team consisted of Charlie J, Holly S, Oscar B, Billy M, Daniel O, Megan W and George R. Well done to you all!



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

## Upcoming Sports Fixtures – Spring Term

- Year 5 / 6 Netball – 4<sup>th</sup> March and 11<sup>th</sup> March 2024
- Year 5 / 6 Cross Country – 18<sup>th</sup> March 2024
- Year 3 / 4 Catchball – 24<sup>th</sup> March 2024

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

## International Mother Language Day

On Tuesday last week, we celebrated International Mother Language Day (IMLD) at Parkfield.

We celebrated IMLD with a special non-uniform day: children came to school in home clothes, matching the colours of any flag in the world, while children with home languages were encouraged to come to school in the traditional dress linked to their language(s) or dress in home clothes to show the colours of the flag linked to their language(s). School was a riot of different colours and costumes!

The Year 6s participated in 2 assemblies by sharing their mother languages with the whole school. We heard greetings in over 15 different languages and practised sounding them too, before we had to guess the language. It was great fun and gave us the chance to enjoy a selection of the different languages we have in the Parkfield community.

We celebrate IMLD to raise awareness of language (including endangered languages), cultural diversity and multilingualism around the world. As a Rights Respecting School, we value different languages and combined our celebration with raising money for Unicef. Thank you so much for your support.

**UNCRC Article 30** (Right to learn and use the language of their family)



## PTFA School Disco – 8<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Thank you so much to everyone that came along to the PTFA school disco before half term – an incredible £809.14 was raised!!

We are so grateful to all the PTFA volunteers that organise these amazing events for our children and raise such huge amounts of money for our school. It makes such a difference – thank you!



## Parkfield Easter Holiday Camp

Following the success of our previous Holiday Camps at Parkfield Primary School, we are pleased to inform you that we will be running the **Easter 2024 Holiday Camp** on the following days:

- **Monday 8th April 2024** (Archery & Table Tennis, Multi-Activity, Cooking)
- **Tuesday 9th April 2024** (Taekwondo, Nerf Games & Dodgeball, Music)
- **Wednesday 10th April 2024** (Gymnastics & Dance & Multi-activity, Drama/Story Telling)
- **Thursday 11th April 2024** (Football & Rugby, Multi-Activity, Art)

The programme will run from **8:00am** to **4:00pm** each day, the cost is **£25** per child per day **including a hot meal**.

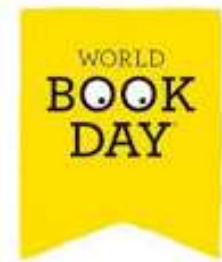
If you wish your child/ren to attend please log on to [<https://eduspot.co.uk/>](https://eduspot.co.uk/) to book a place and the meal for the day they will attend.

Please note that places are limited and the closing date for bookings is Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2024.

## World Book Day – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024

On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March, we will be celebrating 'World Book Day' so that children of all ages can come together to share the joy of reading for pleasure. Our theme this year is 'Fairy Tales'.

As usual, this will be a non-school uniform day and instead, children can come in dressed as their favourite book character or dressed in their pyjamas to promote bedtime stories.



'**Book in a Jar**': This year, we are inviting children to capture a book in a jar. Being as creative as they would like, we would like to choose a scene, moment or character(s) from their favourite story and find a way to capture it in a jar. The jars will form a unique and interactive display for all to see in the reception area of the school.

### Recipe for a 'Book in a Jar'

- Find an empty jar (a jam jar would be perfect)
- Design your jar to represent a book that you have enjoyed
- Decorate the outside or the inside of the jar
- Make or draw things to go inside
- Find items around the house that represent your book and put in the jar
- Put your name and book title on the bottom of the jar

### UNCRC Article 28 (Right to an education)

## Online Safety Focus

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

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/896323/UKCIS\\_Education\\_for\\_a\\_Connected\\_World\\_.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/896323/UKCIS_Education_for_a_Connected_World_.pdf)

Our school Online Safety curriculum follows the progression from the government's programme, Education for a Connected World, which covers ages 4 to 18 and contains strands on all sorts of topics from self-image and identity to managing information online to copyright and ownership. If you're interested, have a look to see on the above link.

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

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## House Points

### Well done Pluto!

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

<b>MARS</b> 2964	<b>MERCURY</b> 3053	<b>PLUTO</b> 3176	<b>VENUS</b> 3157
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## Key Dates

March 2024	
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> – Tues 5 <sup>th</sup>	Story Explorer Workshops
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> – Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup>	Book Fair
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup>	World Book Day
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 – PTFA Cake Sale
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup>	KS2 – PTFA Cake Sale
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> – Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup>	STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) Week
Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Basket & Bonnet
Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup>	End of Spring Term 2024
April 2024	
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup>	Start of Summer Term 2024
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup>	Tempest Photographs – Whole School
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 – Ancient Egyptians Workshop
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 – Ancient Greece Workshop
May 2024	
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup>	Year 5 – Strike & Field Festival (Castle School)
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Year 3 – Trip to Bristol Synagogue and Bristol Museum - NEW
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup>	BANK HOLIDAY
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 – Kilve Court Activity Day
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> – Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 – SATs Week
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 – Civic Award Event (6pm – 8pm)
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup>	Reception, Year 3 & Year 6 – Space Dome
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 24 <sup>th</sup>	Health Week
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup>	Reception – Sports Day (2pm – 3pm)
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Reception - Multi-Skills Festival (Castle School)
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Years 1 & 2 – Sports Day (2pm – 3pm)
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Years 3 & 4 – Sports Day (2pm – 3pm)
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup>	Years 5 & 6 – Sports Day (2pm – 3pm)
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 31 <sup>st</sup>	HALF TERM

**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.**

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Thank you for continued help and support.



Gareth Jones  
Headteacher



PARKFIELD SCHOOL

*Felicitas Per Ardua*

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Awarded by Arts  
Council England



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 of transaction, value, Provider, child's name.

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

### Contact Details

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Parkfield Road  
Taunton

Tel: 01823 282125

E-mail: [office@parkfieldschool.co.uk](mailto:office@parkfieldschool.co.uk)

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## EASTER CAMP 2024 MENU

08.04.2024	09.04.2024	10.04.2024	11.04.2024
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
<p><b>Main:</b> Cumberland Pork Sausage served with Yorkshire pudding &amp; Red onion Gravy. <b>Allergen:</b>(Gluten, Egg,)</p> <p>~</p> <p><b>Vegetarian:</b> Quorn Sausage Served with Yorkshire pudding &amp; Red onion gravy. <b>Allergen:</b>(Gluten, Egg,)</p> <p>~</p> <p>Baked Beans, Spring Onion Mashed potato: - <b>Allergen:</b>(Dairy)</p> <p>~</p> <p><b>Pudding:</b> Apple Crumble &amp; Custard <b>Allergen:</b>(Gluten, Egg,)</p>	<p><b>Main:</b> Cottage pie topped with Tomato &amp; cheddar cheese. <b>Allergen:</b>(Gluten, Egg,)</p> <p>~</p> <p><b>Vegetarian:</b> Vegetarian Cottage pie, topped with Tomato &amp; Cheddar cheese. <b>Allergen:</b>(Gluten, Egg,)</p> <p>~</p> <p>Sweetcorn &amp; wild rocket salad</p> <p>~</p> <p><b>Pudding:</b> Rice Pudding &amp; Jam sauce <b>Allergen:</b>(Dairy)</p>	<p><b>Main:</b> Pepperoni Pizza <b>Allergen:</b>(Gluten, Sulphur, Dairy)</p> <p>~</p> <p><b>Vegetarian:</b> Cheese &amp; Tomato Pizza <b>Allergen:</b>(Gluten, Dairy)</p> <p>~</p> <p>Chefs Coleslaw, <b>Allergen:</b>(Dairy) Herb Diced Potato</p> <p>~</p> <p><b>Pudding:</b> Fruit Flapjack <b>Allergen:</b>(Gluten)</p>	<p><b>Mains:</b> Oven baked Cod Fishfingers &amp; Lemon Tar-tare sauce <b>Allergen:</b> (Fish, Dairy, Gluten,)</p> <p>~</p> <p><b>Vegetarian:</b> Fishless Fingers &amp; Lemon Tar-tare sauce <b>Allergen:</b> (Soya, Gluten,)</p> <p>~</p> <p>Skinny Chips, Peas</p> <p>~</p> <p><b>Pudding:</b> Jam Sponge Cake &amp; Custard <b>Allergen:</b> (Dairy, Gluten, Egg,)</p>

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### Fun & Creative

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&  
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Activities



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Come and meet Five Counties ITT providers and find out about our training programmes. Routes into Primary and Secondary. Local school partners and placements. Friendly trainers! Information about applying and funding.

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February**  
Drop-in 4.00-5.30pm  
Broughton House,  
Blackbrook Park Avenue,  
Taunton, TA1 2PR  
just off Junction 25 of the M5

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March**  
2.00-5.30pm (to include school experience and drop-in)  
Oakfield Academy  
Oakfield Road  
Frome  
Somerset  
BA11 4JF

To register your interest for either of the above events or if you have any questions about training to teach please email [info@fivecountiesalliance.co.uk](mailto:info@fivecountiesalliance.co.uk).

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