



# The Parkland Federation

Aim High, Work Hard, Dream Big

## Ciao - Hello in Italian



22nd October 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

As this term draws to a close, we wanted to wish you all a relaxing and happy break as well as thank you all for your support over this past term. It has been wonderful to be back together and enjoying community events such as the FOPs Colour Run. A huge thank you for all of your wonderful harvest gifts this week too. The Foodbank collected these today and were exceptionally grateful for your kindness and generosity, particularly after what has been such a challenging year for everyone. The beautiful harvest themed singing around the schools has been an absolute delight over recent weeks and we are so proud that Parkland Pupils have such compassion for those less fortunate than themselves.

Thank you to everyone who took part in our virtual parent consultations. Although we still have a small handful of parents to see, teachers have highlighted how valuable your partnership is and how working together to support the children allows us to help them make excellent progress. Please do remember that you can also chat to the teacher at the end of every day should you wish to. They are always happy to help with any questions or concerns. Wishing you and your family a wonderful break. [See you on the 2nd November!](#)



## EYFS



EYFS have been learning all about owls this week, through a wonderful story called Owl Babies! We have imagined how we would feel if we were the Owl Babies, we have thought of ideas for where the owl Mummy has gone, and we have explored lots of facts about owls.

We'd also like to say a huge well done to our EYFS children for singing so beautifully in our Harvest festival this week! They really did us all proud!

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week - Mollie & Rupert (Kerr) Daniel & Inkpen Class (Inkpen). Well done also to our Dojo winners, Scarlett & Teddy (Kerr) Freya & Molly (Inkpen)

## Year 1

Year 1 have had a fabulous Term 1! The children have been drawing different toys in the style of Andy Warhol in their Art lessons and have been learning how to write in Braille in History. The children have also been busy in English working on their new version of the story "Eliot Jones Midnight Superhero" and it is safe to say we are in the presence of some future authors. We had a fantastic time doing our coin race the other day with all the change you brought in (thank you very much!) Donaldson class won with a score of 18.25m!! Congratulations to our Stars of the Week - Rudy and Melody (Donaldson) Cody and Kitty (Shireen). Well done also to our Dojo winners, Alfie and Daisy (Donaldson) Riley and Aurora (Shireen).

## Year 2

Well done to our lovely Year 2 children for an absolutely fabulous start to the school year! We have been so impressed with the children this term. In the last week, we have managed to squeeze in some great activities and some awesome learning! We have started to learn how to use the column method for addition, we have been writing a set of instructions for how to catch a dragon and we have also been learning more about Mary Anning, a British palaeontologist. During the week, we took part in a charity activity for St. Wilfred's Hospice and a yummy cake sale in aid of Baby Loss Awareness Week. We ended the week with a spectacular Harvest Festival performance which showcased the hard work, determination and confidence the children have. We are so proud of you!

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week - Harlie & Ava  
Well done also to our Dojo winners, Evie & Victoria



## Year 3

We made it! Well done Year 3 for your excellent hard work and enthusiasm for learning.

We have been busy, just a glimpse of our learning. In English, we have worked hard to use a range of vocabulary and sentence structures to write our own rainforest descriptions. In Science, we have been learning about bones and skeletons. For Art, we have enjoyed learning to draw in the style of artist John Dyer. You are all so super talented.

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week - Ruby & Lucas (Harrison) Sophia & Rowan (Woodson) and our Dojo Winners Aleksandr & Ava (Harrison) Annalise & Otilia (Woodson).



## Year 4

Year 4 have been working hard on rounding to the nearest thousand. Some even played a game to consolidate their knowledge and understanding!

Year 4 took part in a very special Science quiz using a quiz board to show their answers. Using their knowledge of circuits, the children wired up a circuit and displayed their answers by lighting up a bulb - very clever indeed! Hieroglyphics have been the order of the day in Year 4 as the children have been printing their very own Egyptian writing in art. Using a mixture of colors, the children created some very authentic-looking designs!

Year 4 also really enjoyed their Egyptian day! The children learned all about the Gods of Ancient Egypt with some fantastic role play and designed some incredible structures! Congratulations to our Stars of the Week - Alice & Joshua (Blackman) & Elizabeth & Tommy (Walliams). Well done also to our Dojo winners, Oliver & Henry (Blackman) Alyssa and Bobby! (Walliams).



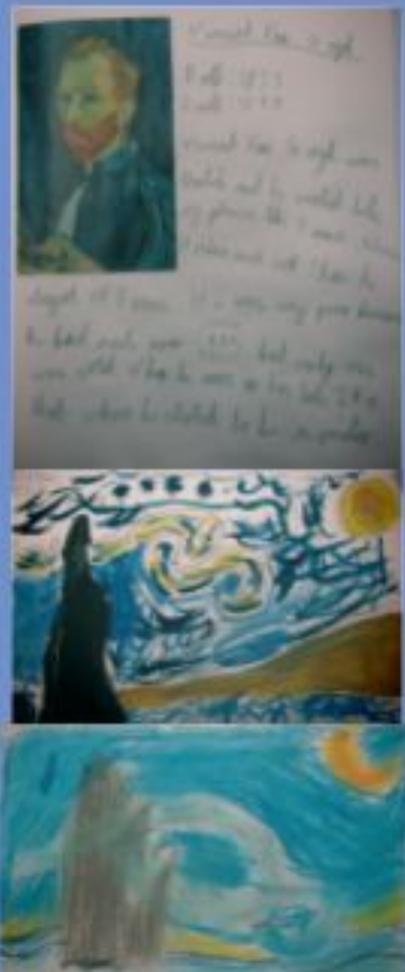
## Year 5

Thank you, parents for remembering swimming kits every Monday morning. The children are progressing well and enjoying their lessons.

We have completed a wonderful art project where the children have developed their awareness of colour and used their skills to explore the style of Van Gogh using watercolours and pastels. They then maturely evaluated their work.

Finally, we hope that Year 5 children are enjoying their new chess skills. Perhaps, if you don't have a set chess set at home, this would be an educational, but fun, addition to any Christmas present list!

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week - (Wilson) & Harlie & Sophia (Zephaniah). Well done also to our Dojo winners, - (Wilson) Evie & Nevaeh A (Zephaniah).



## Year 6



Year 6 had a fantastic time at Newhaven Fort last week. They were able to handle a variety of artefacts from WWII, including a child's gas mask and army helmets. They also found out what it was really like in an air raid and just how frightening it was inside an Anderson shelter.

In school, they have been writing diary entries linked to the book 'Rose Blanche' and have shown us just how empathetic they can be. We were very impressed with their work.

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week - (Mian) & Mason (Rosen). Well done also to our Dojo winners, - (Mian) & Alfey I (Rosen).

## This week's attendance:

Excellent attendance at school allows a child to have the best possible start in life. All pupils should aim for at least **97%** attendance in order to ensure they do not miss out on their education.

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| Inkpen Class (YR)<br>94%    | Kerr Class (YR)<br>95%      | Shireen Class (Y1)<br>95%  |
| Donaldson Class (Y1)<br>93% | Santat Class (Y2)<br>96%    | Beaty Class (Y2)<br>96%  |
| Harrison Class (Y3)<br>97%  | Woodson Class (Y3)<br>96%   | Walliams Class (Y4)<br>94%   |
| Blackman Class (Y4)<br>91%  | Zephaniah Class (Y5)<br>95% | Wilson Class (Y5)<br>94%   |
| Mian Class (Y6)<br>97%      | Rosen Class (Y6)<br>93%     | The Highest Attendance Award goes to Mian and Harrison Class. Well done! |

## SCHOOL COUNCIL

# harvest



## School Council Update

A huge **'Thank you!'** for all of your support with the **Harvest!** All donations will be going to our local **Food bank!** On **Monday 18th October** we certainly painted the town **Red** and we continued our amazing fundraising for this with our **coin race!** All proceeds are going towards **St.Wilfrid's Hospice!** They will count up all of our donations and let us know how much we have raised! Thank you for supporting this event! **A date for your diaries... Children in need Friday 19th November**

Our 'Citizen of the Fortnight' at the Juniors is... Lottie in 6 Rosen for being an amazing role model! Our 'Citizen of the Fortnight' at the Infants is Phoebe in Santat for being a special and kind friend.

## Eco Committee Update

Mrs Somers has joined Mrs Walker this year to lead our **Eco Committee!** We are so excited to continue the work for our **Green Flag!**

Our **eco tip** this fortnight is to join in with any **local litter picks!** Litter picks in our local area is so important and helps our **environment!**

**A date for your diaries... Just One Tree day,** dress up green on **Friday 26th November** -

Details for both events to follow soon!



## Baby Loss Awareness Cake Sales



As you know, last Friday we held two cake sales in support of Baby Loss Awareness Week. We would like to say a HUGE thank you to everyone who donated cakes for the cake sale and thank you to everyone who purchased a sweet treat. As a Federation, we raised an incredible **£502** for the Sands Charity. Sands provides bereavement support, training programmes and resources to those affected by baby loss and stillbirth, as well as supporting and promoting research. If you would like more information on Sands or need any support, please visit

<https://www.sands.org.uk/about-sands> or speak to our Pastoral Leader, Mrs Das.

## Sports Champions of the Term



Congratulations to our outstanding Sports Champions of the Term! Zoe and Alfie won the awards at the Infant and Junior school respectively. We are so proud to have such wonderful athletes across both school who always work hard, demonstrate the school values and continue to exceed in their performance in PE.



Congratulations and well done for winning these accolades both of you. Keep up the good work and thank you for being such dedicated sports people. Your team spirit and commitment is a credit to you!

# Rainbow Rules Reminder

As we end the first term of this academic year, we would just like to remind you of our Rainbow Rules. The Rainbow Rules are at the heart of everything we do and we pride ourselves on following them. If you would like a copy of the Rainbow Rules at home, please contact your child's teacher!



Rules are made  
for a reason.  
We should always  
follow them.

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## Thank you to our Fantastic Animal Care Team

This term, the children have been doing an incredible job of caring for all of our animals. They even have their own special Animal Care High Vis jackets! A huge thank you too to all of our staff adult helpers who care for the animals at the weekend and during the holidays. What a WONDERFUL Team.



# Equality and Diversity Update

We are working towards our



As a school, our staff are passionate about ensuring equality for all as well as helping children understand and appreciate the diverse world we live in. We are SO proud to be working towards our Silver Equalities Award. Watch this space for more exciting updates!

## After School Club News

Our After School Clubbers have been busy making Oreo Spiders this week and have created some rather yummy treats. Well done, team!

A gentle reminder that our finishing times are either 4.30pm or 5.30pm only. Please ensure you collect your child at the correct time. Thank you in advance!



## Half Term Poster Competition

Don't forget to enter our half term poster competition. All **Key Stage 2 children** (years 3 - 6) have been invited to design a poster around the topic of **mental wellbeing**. The winning 3 designs will be chosen by a local charity to support their campaigns .

**Entries can be handed into class teachers on Tuesday 2nd November**

