



The Park Way Post



29th September 2023

You may be aware that Mrs Dhanecha hasn't been in school much over the past few weeks. She is currently receiving treatment for Endometrial Cancer. We are sure you will join us in wishing her well during her treatment and we are looking forward to seeing her back in school soon.

Parents Evening

Parents Evening dates will be as follows:

Tuesday 17th October – 3.30pm-6.30pm

Thursday 19th October – 6pm - 8pm

Meetings will be in person and limited to 10 minutes. Booking will open on Monday 2nd October at 4pm and close on Friday 13th at 4pm. You will need to book these via Scopay. Please contact the office if you do not have your login details.

Young Voices

We have a very limited number of spaces left if you would like your child to take part in Young Voices this year, it is open to children in years 4, 5 and 6. Please pay via Scopay to secure a place – **the deadline is Monday 9am.**

Year 6

Please be aware that applications for applying for a secondary school place close on 31st October – please see the flyer at the end of the newsletter for more information and how to apply.

Most Secondary schools are now having open days/afternoons – please email the office and let us know if you have booked for your child to attend any.

Bikes and Scooters

Please ensure all bikes and scooters are secured with a padlock at all times while in the bike shed. We cannot accept any responsibility for any loss or damage which may occur.

Shaun the sheep

Park Way Primary School is delighted to have joined the flock and will be taking part in the [@ShauntheSheepintheHeartofKent](#) art trail which will be coming to Maidstone from 29 June 2024 with our very own little Shaun sculpture! We are proud to be supporting Heart of Kent Hospice, who will be delivering the trail, to continue providing outstanding care both in the Hospice and in the local community.

As part of this, we are asking all pupils to submit a design for Shaun the Sheep. Design templates will be given to each pupil and we would like your submissions by Friday 7th of October 2023. Park Way's school council will

then select the winning design for when we collect our Shaun the Sheep on the 11th of October. Thank you - Miss Beamish

London Ballet Company

We still have spaces available for this club - please see the flyer at the bottom of the newsletter for more information!

Parent Governors

If you would like to volunteer to become a parent governor, or if you would like an informal chat or just some more information about the role, please pop into the office or you can contact our Chair of Governors, Mr David Dobbs on 07718 166962 or via email – david.dobbs@park-way.kent.sch.uk

Earrings

Please ensure your child can remove their earrings themselves – children must not wear earrings for PE and we are unable to tape them.

Nits

We have had several cases of head lice recently. Whilst head lice are nothing to worry about they do need to be treated quickly and effectively. Most treatments require TWO applications, 7 days apart. Please check your child's hair and treat as necessary, long hair should be tied up for school.

Some parents may be eligible for free treatment – more information can be found here:

<https://www.boots.com/nhs-services/minorailments>

Lost Property

We have a HUGE amount of lost property again – please do come and look through it if you are missing items. May we take this opportunity to remind you that all uniform should be labelled so we can reunite lost items with their rightful owners.



Team Points for this week as follows:

LIONS 124 (4 POINTS)

LEOPARDS 113 (3 POINTS)

JAGUARS 99 (2 POINTS)

TIGERS 97 (1 POINT)

After 4 weeks:

LIONS 8 POINTS

LEOPARDS 7 POINTS

JAGUARS 3 POINTS

TIGERS 3 POINTS



Attendance

Well done to Oak class for achieving 98% attendance this week!

If your child is unwell and unable to come to school, please call on the first day of illness and each day they are unwell

Call – 01622 753651 **CHOOSE Option 1.** Should no-one be available please leave a message stating your child's name, class and reason for absence.

Or

Email – Attendance@park-way.kent.sch.uk

Please leave a full description of their illness.

PE Term 1



Monday

Apple, Pear & Oak Classes

Tuesday

Maple & Elm Classes with PASS

Wednesday

Ivy & Holly Class

Thursday

Cedar & Walnut with PASS

Friday

Cedar, Rowan & Cherry

Swimming – Term 1



Please be aware that swimming forms part of the national curriculum and as such is treated like any other lesson, your child is **expected to attend every week.**

Maple – Monday

Walnut - Tuesday

Elm - Thursday

DIARY DATES

20th October – Last Day of Term 1

30th October **Staff Training – school closed to children**

31st October - Deadline for applying for a Secondary School place
First Day of Term 2

Kent Spring/ Summer Menu		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK ONE						
17 April	Option one	MEAT FREE MONDAYS Cheese & Tomato Pizza with New Potatoes	Beef Lasagne with Garlic Bread	Sausage, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Quirky Bird BBQ or Lemon & Herb Chicken	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
8 May	Option two	Crunchy Topped Vegetable Bake with New Potatoes	Wholemeal Vegetable Pasta Bake	Homily Pie – Potato, Spinach & Cheese Pie with Roast Potatoes	BBQ or Lemon & Herb Vegan Quorn with Jollof Rice & Salads	Mexican Bean Roll with Chips & Tomato Sauce
5 June	Vegetables	Peas Coleslaw	Green Beans Carrots	Mixed Vegetables	Sweetcorn & Peas	Peas Baked Beans
26 June	Dessert	NEW Syrup Snap Biscuit with Peaches	Iced Vanilla Sponge	Fruit Jelly with Mandarins	Oaty Cookie	Fresh Fruit Salad or Platter
17 July						
28 August						
18 September						
9 October						
WEEK TWO						
24 April	Option one	Mac and Cheese Concept A choice of different Mac & Cheese flavours vegetarian toppings	Pork Sausage Hot Dog with Potato Wedges	Minced Beef & Onion Pie with Roast Potatoes	Chef's Special Chicken Korma with Rice	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
15 May	Option two		Vegan Sausage Hot Dog with Potato Wedges	Potato and Courgette Layer Bake	Vegetable Wellington with New Potatoes & Gravy	NEW BEET Burger with Chips & Tomato Sauce
12 June	Vegetables	Peas & Sweetcorn	Beans & Coleslaw	Carrots & Cabbage	Peas & Cauliflower	Peas Baked Beans
3 July	Dessert	Apple Crumble with Cream	Chocolate Shortbread	Peaches & Ice Cream or Whipped Cream	Summer Lemon Cake	Fresh Fruit Salad or Platter
24 July						
4 September						
25 September						
16 October						
WEEK THREE						
1 May	Option one	NEW Chinese Vegetable Noodles	Spaghetti Bolognese	Roast Gammon, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Yamas! NEW Greek Chicken Pita with Seasoned Wedges	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
22 May	Option two	Lentil & Sweet Potato Curry with Rice	Vegan Spaghetti Bolognese	Quorn Vegan Fillet Roast Potatoes & Gravy	or NEW Spinach & Cheese Whirl with Seasoned Wedges	Cheese & Red Pepper Frittata with Chips & Tomato Sauce
19 June	Vegetables	Peas & Carrots	Green Beans & Sweetcorn	Mixed Vegetables	Fresh Salad Rainbow Slaw	Peas Baked Beans
10 July	Dessert	NEW Cornflake Tart with Mandarins	Carrot & Courgette Cake	Apple, Cheese & Crackers	Apple Flapjack	Fresh Fruit Salad or Platter
11 September						
2 October						
MENU KEY		Added Plant Power Wholemeal Vegan Chef's Special				
		Available Daily: - Freshly cooked jacket potatoes with a choice of fillings (where advertised) – Fresh Bread and Daily salad selection – Fruit				
		ALLERGY INFORMATION: If you would like to know about particular allergens in foods please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for your child. We use a large variety of ingredients in the preparation of our meals and due to the nature of our kitchens it is not possible to completely remove the risk of cross contamination.				
		caterlink feeding the imagination				

Admission to Secondary school in Kent 2024

Apply online at
[kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions](https://www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions)

Opens Friday 1 September 2023 and closes at
midnight on Tuesday 31 October 2023

For children born between
1 September 2012
and **31 August 2013**,
Transferring to Secondary
school in **September 2024**

What to do

Choose a school

It's important to find out more about the schools you are interested in before you decide to name them on the application form.

Read the Guide to Secondary admissions at www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions.

You can name up to four Secondary schools, inside or outside of Kent, but you must name them all on the same application.

Apply for a school place

A simple, fast, convenient process which opens **Friday 1 September 2023** and closes at midnight on **Tuesday 31 October 2023**.

If you already have an account set up from the Kent Test process, please use these login details.

You will receive an email confirmation that your application has been submitted correctly and that the LA has received it.

You can log back in at any time to view the information submitted.

Receiving your offer

On offer day (**Friday 1 March 2024**) an email will be sent after **4pm** informing you of your offer.

You must accept or decline the school place you have been offered by **Friday 15 March 2024**.

If we have not offered your child a place in your preferred school, you have the right to appeal. You can also add their name to the school's waiting list if your child is eligible for admission.

Moving house during the application window will likely complicate your application and we therefore advise you to pay special attention to key dates in the admissions process. KCC has no discretionary authority to vary the process for parents who cannot complete address moves in time to make use of them for admissions purposes. If you have queries relating to this, please email the team on one of the email addresses below.

Key dates

Friday 1 September 2023	Online application process opens. Go to www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions to register and apply.
Tuesday 31 October 2023	Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed to kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk
Friday 1 March 2024	Offers of school places sent to parents via email after 4pm .
Friday 15 March 2024	Parents should contact the school to accept/refuse the place that has been offered and can use the link in the offer email to ask for their child to be added to the waiting list of eligible schools named on the original application.
Thursday 28 March 2024	Appeals need to be lodged by this date to be heard before September - appeals information can be found at www.kent.gov.uk/schoolappeals . You can only appeal for schools that were named on the application form.

Need help?

Email kent.admissions@kent.gov.uk or kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk
Full information booklet can also be viewed online at [kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions](https://www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions)

Only one application per pupil will be accepted. If you apply online, do not complete any other form of application. Keep your login details safe and use your registered email address for all communication with the team.

The confirmation email may go to your junk/spam folder of your email - please check here before contacting our team for confirmation.





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OCTOBER HALF TERM 2023

What's on?

WEEK 1

ROBOTS, VR & TECH FUN

Program robots, design games, model 3D creations, learn to mix like a Pro DJ ... plus MEGA LASERTAG! Explore, experiment and ignite the imagination with this exciting week full of with tech fun!



WEEK 2

MINECRAFT & LEGO ENGINEERING

Dive into Minecraft Education - design elements of the game, build redstone circuits and learn coding fundamentals. Build engineering skills using Lego bricks, sensors and motors to create crazy inventions powered by code.



Different activity theme each day, please check website for your camp activities

23RD OCT – 27TH OCT

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30TH OCT – 3RD NOV

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St Bernadette Primary School



SPECIAL OFFER

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What to bring to camp



Halloween Costume
(Friday Optional)

www.nextthing.education

E: info@nextthing.education
T: 01442873150

Term Dates 2023/2024

TERM 1	
Friday 1 st September	Staff Development Day
Monday 4 th September	First Day of Term 1
Friday 20 th October	Last Day of Term 1

OCTOBER HALF TERM	
Monday 23 th October to Friday 27 th October	Holiday – No School

TERM 2	
Monday 30 th October	Staff Development day
Tuesday 31 st October	First Day of Term 2
Friday 15 th December	Last Day of Term 2

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY	
Monday 18 th December to Monday 1 st January	Holiday – No School

TERM 3	
Tuesday 2 nd January	Staff Development Day
Wednesday 3 rd January	First Day of Term 3
Friday 9 th February	Last Day of Term 3

FEBRUARY HALF TERM	
Monday 12 th February to Friday 16 th February	Holiday – No School

TERM 4	
Monday 19 th February	First Day of Term 4
Wednesday 27 th March	Last Day of Term 4
Thursday 28 th March	Staff Development Day

EASTER HOLIDAY	
Friday 29 th March to Friday 12 th April	Holiday – No School

TERM 5	
Monday 15 th April	First Day of Term 5
Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday – No School
Friday 24 th May	Last Day of Term 5

MAY HALF TERM	
Monday 27 th May to Friday 31 st May	Holiday – No School

TERM 6	
Monday 3 rd June	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 4 th June	First Day of Term 6
Tuesday 23 rd July	Last Day of Term 6



Class Assemblies 2023-2024



Friday 8 th September 2023	No class assembly
Friday 15 th September 2023	No class assembly
Friday 22 nd September 2023	Cedar
Friday 29 th September 2023	Rowan
Friday 6 th October 2023	Cherry
Friday 13 th October 2023	Elm
Friday 20 th October 2023	Walnut
Friday 27 th October 2023	HALF TERM
Friday 3 rd November 2023	Maple
Friday 10 th November 2023	Oak
Friday 17 th November 2023	Holly
Friday 24 th November 2023	Ivy
Friday 1 st December 2023	Apple & Pear
Friday 8 th December 2023	No class assembly
Friday 15 th December 2023	No class assembly
Friday 22 nd December 2023	CHRISTMAS
Friday 29 th December 2023	CHRISTMAS
Friday 5 th January 2024	No class assembly
Friday 12 th January 2024	Cedar
Friday 19 th January 2024	Rowan
Friday 26 th January 2024	Cherry
Friday 2 nd February 2024	Elm
Friday 9 th February 2024	Walnut
Friday 16 th February 2024	HALF TERM

Friday 23 rd February 2024	Maple
Friday 1 st March 2024	Oak
Friday 8 th March 2024	Holly
Friday 15 th March 2024	Ivy
Friday 22 nd March 2024	Apple & Pear
Friday 29 th March 2024	No class assembly
Friday 5 th April 2024	EASTER
Friday 12 th April 2024	EASTER
Friday 19 th April 2024	Elm
Friday 26 th April 2024	Walnut
Friday 3 rd May 2024	Maple
Friday 10 th May 2024	No class assembly – pre-SATs
Friday 17 th May 2024	No class assembly – SATs
Friday 24 th May 2024	Cedar
Friday 31 st May 2024	HALF TERM
Friday 7 th June 2024	Rowan
Friday 14 th June 2024	Cherry
Friday 21 st June 2024	Oak
Friday 28 th June 2024	Holly
Friday 5 th July 2024	Ivy
Friday 12 th July 2024	Apple & Pear
Friday 19 th July 2024	No class assembly
Friday 26 th July 2024	SUMMER HOLIDAY



The harvest festival school assembly will be on Thursday 12th October and we would appreciate donations of pens and pencils for the charity Pens For Kids UK:

This is a charity which sends pens and pencils to children across the world. Click the logo and visit their website.

PENS FOR KIDS UK

During 2022, the charity facilitated the sending of approximately **191,200** pens and pencils to Congo, Ghana, India, Kenya, Malawi, Morocco, Romania, Uganda, Ukraine & Zambia. Since 2010, over a million pens and pencils have been shipped to schools and orphanages around the world.



Your pens and pencils needn't be new, just in working order and should be brought to school by the morning of Thursday 12th October.

Many thanks. Mrs Ord



EVERY SATURDAYS

Starting Saturday 7th October

Park Way Primary School

Park Way, Maidstone

ME15 7DN

SATURDAY SHOOTERS

**1pm - 2pm
2-3 YEARS OLD**

**2pm - 3pm
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St. Martin's Church Harvest Festival Sunday 1st October 2023

**10am Harvest Festival Service
11.30am Harvest for the Estate
- collect a bag of free food**

DONATIONS: Thank you for giving so generously to Harvest for the Estate, please drop off your food donations to church on Thursday 29th September 11-1pm or simply bring them on the Sunday.

St. Martin's Church, Northumberland Ave, ME15 7LP

www.stmartinsmaidstone.org.uk

Please note this is an external company and all queries should be directed to Bethany using the details below.

THE LONDON BALLET COMPANY SCHOOL

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After School Club

DANCE

@ Park Way Primary

Wednesday 20th September - 18th October

1st November - 13th December

3:15-4:15

£7.00 per session = £84 TOTAL (two instalment option available)

All year groups invited

Booking Details:

- To book a place for your son/daughter please complete the form and scan/take a picture and send to bethany@thelondonballetcompany.co.uk
- Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis and Bethany will confirm if your child has a place via email
- By completing this form you are signing your child up to the full term and 1 months notice is required to cancel the place which must be given via email directly to Bethany.
- Payment can be made by using the following bank details:
Acc Name: LIVE FROM LONDON Sort Code:20-57-76 Acc: 43410676
Please use name of child as reference and confirm via email

Club Details:

- Sessions will include instruction on; ballet, modern, contemporary, improvisation, stretching, musicality, balance, confidence building, creativity, positivity and mindset enhancing.
- Children will receive digital certification on completion of full term
- Please wear PE kit OR joggers/leggings and a top with pumps or bare feet
- End of term performance for family and friends! (please arrive 10 minutes before the end of the final session)

I would like my child _____ Year: _____ to take part
in the London Ballet Company after school club.

Mobile number: _____

Email: _____

Medical conditions: _____

Signed: _____