



# The Park Way Post



20<sup>th</sup> October 2023

[We hope you enjoy the half term break - children return to school on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October!](#)

## Swimming days remain the same – please check below for new PE Days

Headteachers Message:

### MORNING ARRANGEMENTS

The doors open in the mornings at 8:45 am. This gives a window of ten minutes for children to get settled before the register is taken.

This week we had a safeguarding audit completed by KCC and the safeguarding officer has asked me to remind parents of the following;

1. Parents and children should not be on site at all earlier than 8:40, unless they are coming to breakfast club, or have an appointment with a member of staff
2. Children must not be left unattended on the playground - they should be sent straight in as soon as the doors open.
3. No children should be playing on the pirate ship before school. (There were unsupervised children on there during the audit.)
4. No wheeled toys should be used on the playground at the beginning and end of the day. (bikes, scooters, skateboards etc.)

Thank you very much for your cooperation with this. We just want to make sure that accidents don't happen and everyone remains safe at all times. Mrs Dhanecha.

### School Grounds – a gentle reminder!

- Parents and carers should NOT smoke or vape anywhere on the school grounds.
- Please do not let your children swing on the trees after school.
- No dogs (except service dogs)
- The play equipment must only be used when directly supervised by an adult/parent – the school accepts no responsibility for any injuries/accidents that occur before or after school.

### 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>

### **We are having a School Disco to raise funds for the Heart of Kent Hospice!**

- **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November!**
- **Cost will be £3 per ticket.**
- **Dress up as ANYTHING!!**
- **Please pay via Scopay – we are unable to accept cash for tickets - tickets will be handed out on the day.**



Children will need to be dropped off at the OFFICE and collected from the BACK of the HALL.

- **Apple, Pear, Ivy Holly & Oak Classes – 5.30pm-6.30pm**
- **Walnut, Maple, Elm, Rowan, Cherry & Cedar Classes -6.45pm – 8.15pm.**

Ticket price will include a drink and a bag of crisps.

There will be goodies to purchase on the night – **these purchases WILL need to be paid for with CASH!**

### **Harvest Festival**

Thank you for all of your donations of pens and pencils for the charity Pens for Kids UK – we have filled two massive boxes and Miss Hill will be delivering these during half term!

### **Ivy, Holly & Oak Classes**

Next term Holly, Ivy and Oak Class will be doing DT. For this we need the following:

- Cardboard boxes (various sizes)
- Toilet roll/Kitchen roll tubes
- Cardboard egg cartons

We will really appreciate it if you have any at home to send them in with your children from next week as we will need a lot and would like to start collecting them now. Thank you – Miss Muddassir.

### **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.

### **Year 6**

Please be aware that applications for applying for a secondary school place **close on 31<sup>st</sup> 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. Parents also need to inform the office **before 9.30am** if their child will require a lunch.



### Earrings

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

Congratulations to “Lions” who won the team points challenge this term!!

### Attendance

Congratulations to Rowan class who had the best attendance this week with 98.2% for the second week in a row! As a school we aim for 100% attendance every 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](mailto:Attendance@park-way.kent.sch.uk)

**Please leave a full description of their illness.**

### PE Term 2



#### Monday

Apple, Pear, Elm & Oak

#### Tuesday

Ivy & Holly Classes

#### Wednesday

Maple & Walnut

#### Thursday

Cherry & Rowan

#### Friday

Cedar & Rowan

## Swimming – Term 2



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

**30<sup>th</sup> Oct    Staff Training – school closed to children**

31<sup>st</sup> Oct        First Day of Term 2 – Children return to school  
Deadline for applying for a Secondary School place  
New lunch Menu from Caterlink

3<sup>rd</sup> Nov         School Disco

17<sup>th</sup> Nov        NHS Immunisation Service – Flu Vaccine

# New Lunch Menu!

Kent / TKAT  
Autumn/ Winter  
2023/ 2024

## WEEK ONE

30/10/2023  
20/11/2023  
11/12/2023  
15/01/2024  
05/02/2024  
04/03/2024  
25/03/2024

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Option one	 Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Pasta Salad	 A choice of Burger (Beef & Bean or Beet Burger) in a bun with Toppings and Potato Wedges	Roast Chicken, Stuffing Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Spaghetti Bolognese with Garlic Bread 	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
Option two	<b>NEW</b> Chef Mariam's Vegetable Couscous 		Veg Wellington, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy 	Veggie Bolognese with Garlic Bread 	Cheesy Bean Pasty with Chips & Tomato Sauce
Vegetables	Green Beans & Sweetcorn	Peas & Coleslaw	Vegetable Medley	Carrots & Broccoli	Baked Beans & Peas
Dessert	 Oaty Cookie With Peaches 	Lemon Drizzle Cake	Fruit Jelly With Mandarins 	<b>NEW</b> Jam and Coconut Sponge	Fresh Fruit Salad or Platter 

## WEEK TWO

06/11/2023  
27/11/2023  
18/12/2023  
22/01/2024  
19/02/2024  
11/03/2024





	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Option one	Tomato Pasta 	Sausage Roll with Potato Wedges	 <b>CHICKEN SHACK</b>	 Chef Shipa's Chicken Korma with Rice 	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
Option two	Cheesy Swirl with New Potatoes	<b>NEW</b> Loaded Cheesy Jackets	A choice of Roasted BBQ or Lemon & Herb Chicken or Vegan Quorn, with Seasoned Roast Potatoes and Salads 	Chinese Vegetable Noodle	Cheesy Omelette with Chips & Tomato Sauce
Vegetables	Green Beans & Carrots	Baked Beans & Peas	Vegetable Medley	Carrots & Green Beans	Baked Beans & Peas
Dessert	Shortbread with Peaches	<b>NEW</b> Carrot Cake	 Apple Crumble with Custard	Chocolate Drizzle Cake with Chocolate Sauce	Fresh Fruit Salad Or Platter 

## WEEK THREE

13/11/2023  
04/12/2023  
08/01/2024  
29/01/2024  
26/02/2024  
18/03/2024

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Option one	<b>NEW</b> A choice of Tomato or Creamy Cheese Pasta with Pasta  Crotons or Nachos Or Jacket Potato & Beans	 Mexican Beef with Rice 	Sausages, Onions and Gravy with Roast Potatoes	Chicken Pie with Mashed Potatoes 	Fishfingers or Salmon Fishcake with Chips & Tomato Sauce
Option two		 Vegetable Fajitas with Rice 	Veggie Sausages, Onions and Gravy with Roast Potatoes 	Macaroni Cheese	BBQ Quorn Fillet with Chips 
Vegetables	Green Beans & Carrots	Peas & Sweetcorn	Vegetable Medley	Cabbage & Carrots	Baked Beans & Peas
Dessert	<b>NEW</b> Chocolate Orange Cookie With Mandarins 	Iced Sponge	<b>New</b> Melting Moment Biscuit	Peach Upside Down Cake with Custard	Fresh Fruit Salad Or Platter 

### MENU KEY

 Added Plant Power  Wholemeal  Vegan  Chef's Special

Available Daily: - Freshly cooked jacket potatoes with a choice of fillings - Fresh Bread & Daily Salad Selection - Fruit & Yoghurt

### 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.

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# 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](https://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

<b>Friday 1 September 2023</b>	Online application process opens. Go to <a href="https://www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions">www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions</a> to register and apply.
<b>Tuesday 31 October 2023</b>	Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed to <a href="mailto:kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk">kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk</a>
<b>Friday 1 March 2024</b>	Offers of school places sent to parents via email after <b>4pm</b> .
<b>Friday 15 March 2024</b>	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.
<b>Thursday 28 March 2024</b>	Appeals need to be lodged by this date to be heard before September - appeals information can be found at <a href="https://www.kent.gov.uk/schoolappeals">www.kent.gov.uk/schoolappeals</a> . You can only appeal for schools that were named on the application form.

## Need help?

Email [kent.admissions@kent.gov.uk](mailto:kent.admissions@kent.gov.uk) or [kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk](mailto: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.



## Term Dates 2023/2024

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

OCTOBER HALF TERM	
Monday 23 <sup>th</sup> October to Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Holiday – No School

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

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY	
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December to Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> January	Holiday – No School

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

FEBRUARY HALF TERM	
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> February to Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February	Holiday – No School

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

EASTER HOLIDAY	
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March to Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> April	Holiday – No School

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

MAY HALF TERM	
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> May to Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> May	Holiday – No School

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



# Class Assemblies 2023-2024



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

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



