

The Park Way Post



17th November 2023

Carolathon

Please see the flyer at the bottom of the newsletter for more information!

Children in Need

We all had fun today, wearing something spotty and raising money for Children in Need. Thank you for your generous donations. Mrs Priestley

KS1 TRIP TO ST STEPHEN'S CHURCH

On the 8th of December, KS1 classes will be visiting St Stephen's Church in Maidstone to take part in their Christmas Story workshop. The purpose of this visit is to learn about the Christmas story that the children will also be learning about in their R.E lessons this term. The children will not be taking part in worship whilst at the church. Holly, Oak and Ivy class are looking for adults to accompany us on the walk down to the church. Please let your child's class teacher know if you are able to help. Thank you- Miss Muddassir

Odd Socks Day



Odd Socks Day was a great way to celebrate what makes us all unique in Anti-Bullying Week! It was lovely to see so many children and staff wearing odd socks into school on Monday. This was a great way to start the week. This week was Anti- Bullying Week and the main focus this year was to 'make a noise'! Here at Park Way we are proud to support Anti-Bullying Week and the children participated in a range of activities school-wide to raise awareness.

Mrs Priestley

Park Way's Greeting Cards Competition



Calling all budding artists/graphic designers/illustrators at Park Way!

Park Way is holding a greeting card competition this year and the theme is

'What does Christmas/this time of the year mean to you?'

Design a greeting card with this theme in mind using any media of your choice, e.g. watercolours, coloured paper, colouring pencils, felt tips, etc. **Please do not use glitter as the designs might be scanned.**

A winner will be chosen from each phase and every winner will be given a very special prize. There will be an overall winner chosen whose winning design will be printed as a pack of greeting cards for them to share with families and friends.

The closing date for the competition is **Friday 1st of December, 2023**. We are looking forward to seeing the amazing talent and creativity Park Way has to offer.

TTRockstars

Want to know more about TTRockstars? Please open the link below to find out all about TTRockstars and how you can support your child with learning their times tables.

ttrackstars.com/parents/

I monitor TTRS every week to check out who the class champions are and this is celebrated in our whole school assembly every Monday. Will it be your child? Mrs Rackley

Earrings

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

Whoops-a-Daisy Angel

On **Thursday 7th December at 2pm**, Apple and Pear Class are welcoming parents/carers to come and see their performance of Whoops-a-Daisy Angel. The story follows the adorably clumsy angel chosen to lead the way to Bethlehem. We look forward to seeing you there. The EYFS Team



Attendance

Congratulations to **Rowan Class** who had the best attendance **AGAIN** this week with **97.35%** !!! 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

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

7th Dec Whoops-a-daisy angel – Apple & Pear ONLY
8th Dec KS1 Church Trip
13th Dec Christmas Lunch



Team Points for Week 3

LEOPARDS 132 (4 POINTS)
TIGERS 115 (3 POINTS)
JAGUARS 77 (2 POINTS)
LIONS 77 (2 POINTS)

AFTER 3 WEEKS

TIGERS (7 POINTS)
JAGUARS (5 POINTS)
LEOPARDS (5 POINTS)
LIONS (4 POINTS)

Admission to

Primary school in Kent 2024

Apply online at

kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

Opens Friday 3 November 2023 and closes at
midnight on Monday 15 January 2024

For children born between
1 September 2019
and 31 August 2020,
Transferring to Primary 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 Primary admissions at www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions.

You can name up to three Primary 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 3 November 2023** and closes at midnight on **Monday 15 January 2024**.

You will first need to set up an online account. The applicant is you, the parent/carer; you will then need to add your child's details before starting an application. You will receive a confirmation email that your application has been correctly submitted.

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

Receiving your offer

On offer day (**Tuesday 16 April 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 **Tuesday 30 April 2024**. A link to a guide with information you will need to provide the school with will be in your offer email.

If it has not been possible to offer 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.

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 3 November 2023	Online application process opens. Go to www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions to register and apply.
Monday 15 January 2024	Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed to kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk
Tuesday 16 April 2024	Offers of school places sent to parents via email after 4pm.
Tuesday 30 April 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 schools named on the original application.
Tuesday 14 May 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 primaryadmissions@kent.gov.uk or kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk
Full information booklet can also be viewed online at kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

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.



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 Beef 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	 NEW Chef Mariam's Vegetable Couscous	 BUILD A BURGER	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	NEW 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





Option one	Tomato Pasta	Sausage Roll with Potato Wedges	 CHICKEN SHACK	 Chef Shipa's Chicken Korma with Rice	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
Option two	Cheesy Swirl with New Potatoes	NEW 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	NEW 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
18/01/2024
29/01/2024
26/02/2024
18/03/2024

Option one	NEW A choice of Tomato or Creamy Cheese Pasta with Croustons 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	 Pasta	 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	NEW Chocolate Orange Cookie With Mandarins	Iced Sponge	New 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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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



Dear parent/guardian,

RWCmusic are offering Piano lessons at Parkway Primary School. The cost of this is £57.50 for 10 lessons running from January-April. Lessons are 30mins each and take place in groups of 3 or 4.

For anyone interested in private 1-1 lessons, it's £150 for 20mins or £200 for 30mins.

This is a great chance for your child to learn a new instrument and learn their favourite songs as well as learning how to write their own music and play with other musicians.

If this is something that you may be interested in for your child, please contact rwcmusic@hotmail.com to let us know. You can find out more about RWCmusic at www.rwcmusic.co.uk or follow RWCmusic on Facebook.

The payment deadline is December 17th.

If you have any questions, feel free to email rwcmusic@hotmail.com.

Many thanks,
Rob Cole
RWCmusic



On Friday 24th November, selected children from years 3 - 6 will take part in the annual Carolathon to raise money for Demelza House in Fremlin Walk in Maidstone.

They will sing a variety of Christmas songs between 13.00 and 13.30.

Please feel free to come along and give your support!

Whilst the children are performing, representatives from Demelza House will be taking collections. Demelza House is a charity which provides care to seriously ill children and their families.





**Pictures from last year's Carolathon
25th November 2022.**