



The Park Way Post



19th Sept 2025

Jeans for Genes day - Monday 22nd September!

Come to school on Monday wearing your normal school top and jeans for a donation to this amazing charity! Please give your donation to your class teacher.



Jeans for Genes®

Jeans for Genes Day is a national fundraising event in the UK that asks people to wear their jeans to school or work in exchange for a donation to raise money for Genetic Disorders UK. The funds raised support research and vital care for children living with genetic disorders, a cause which impacts 1 in 25 children born in the UK. The event, which typically takes place in September, raises awareness about these conditions and provides support to affected families



Class Assemblies

Please see the end of the newsletter for dates for all the class assemblies for this year. You are more than welcome to come and watch your child's assembly, please stay after morning drop off and head to the back of the hall.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Please join us for Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday 26th September. The coffee morning will take place in the lodge from 9:00-10:00. You can buy cakes at the coffee morning or later in the day from 2:30pm from the back of the hall.

If you could kindly donate cakes for Macmillan Coffee Morning the day before and hand these to the teacher that would be very much appreciated. Thank you. Miss Pali – Family Liaison Officer

Harvest Festival



We will be collecting store cupboard products (including tinned fruit and vegetables) for our Harvest Festival this year.

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW!

Earrings

There has been an increase in children wearing unsuitable earrings to school.

We would like to remind you that earrings must be small studs. Hoop earrings must not be worn for school, please save them for outside of school.

Children must be able to take their stud earrings out for PE themselves, we are unable to do this for them and we cannot tape them.

Scopay

Please ensure you have downloaded the Scopay app and have an account - please do not unsubscribe from our emails as you will miss vital information. All of our trips, clubs and permissions are all on Scopay, if you do not have the app your child could miss out. If you require a link code, please come to the office.



BIKEABILITY IS COMING
TO OUR SCHOOL!

Starting the week beginning Monday 6th October, all Year 6 children can now currently sign up to the 'Bikeability' cycle training programme. Instructors will teach the children the skills, knowledge and training to cycle safely on the roads, having first practised on the school playground.

Bikeability have a number of bikes and helmets that can be borrowed for the training, so please do not be put off if your child does not have their own bike. Please just indicate this when you register.

The cost of the course will be £15 per child.

To register your child, please use the link or the QR code by Friday 26th September

👉 <https://consent.bikeability.org.uk/after-smoke-pick>



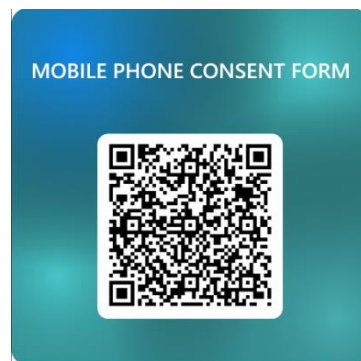
Football

Football sessions at Park Way will be up and running again this term, run by Lily herself. Formally working for STS, Lily has now started up on her own and will be continuing to run fun football sessions for all. LKS2 and KS2 sessions will run on Wednesdays 3:15 - 4:15 and KS1 will run on Thursdays, same time. If interested please look on the flyer attached, grab one from reception or hunt down Mrs Morris or Lily for more information.

Years 5 and 6

Mobile Phones

The children in years 5 and 6 can bring their mobile phone to school only if they walk home alone. The phones are collected on arrival to school and must be handed in. They are locked away safely and given back at the end of the day. If your child is bringing a phone to school, you must complete a form for them to do so. Please use the QR code shown. If your child wears a Smart Watch to school, this will need to be handed in with the mobile phones at the beginning of the day and will be given back at the end of the day.



Year 6 - if you completed a form when your child was in year 5, you do not need to worry. If your child is bringing their phone in for the first time, please complete the form too.

Walking Home Alone

If you wish your year 5 or 6 child to walk home alone, for your child's safety please can this be put in writing and given to the class teacher.
if you have any queries please see Mrs Rackley.

Year 3 and 4 Swimming

Next week Year 3 and 4 will be starting their swimming lessons. Children need to bring their swimming kit (swimming costume, towel, goggles) in a named bag, which they will bring into the classroom. Children will walk down to the swimming pool each week, therefore please ensure you send children with weather appropriate clothing (coats, hats, gloves etc) to wear over their school uniform. Swimming is a compulsory part of the curriculum, therefore children can only miss lesson if there is a genuine medical reason. In these instances children will be walking down to the pool with their class and will sit by the side.

We are also asking for volunteers to help walk the children to and from swimming - please contact the class teacher or let the office know if you can help.

Swimming days will be as follows:

Maple – Monday Walnut – Tuesday Elm – Thursday

Year 3 and 4 PE

PE will take place from next week. Children can come to school dressed in their PE kits (plain t-shirt the colour of their team, black shorts or jogging bottoms, plimsols or trainers). Our PE days are:

Elm – Monday - Maple and Walnut – Wednesday

After School Club & Breakfast Club

The school has been heavily subsidising after school club and breakfast club for a long time, unfortunately we now need to increase prices. Our prices have not increased for the last 3 years and this is not a decision we have made lightly.

From September prices will be as follows:

Breakfast Club – 8am – 8.45am will be £3 and 8.30am – 8.45am will be £1

After School Club Full Session 3.15pm – 5.30pm – will be £10

Half Session with Food 3.15pm – 4.15pm will be £6

Half Session without Food 3.15pm – 4.15pm will be £5

Nits

We have had several cases of head lice already. 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 ALWAYS 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>



If your child has any amazing out of school achievements that you are proud of, why not share them with us? Please email the office!

Attendance

Please do not email the office – we have 100's of emails everyday and your's could get missed! Please follow the instructions below.

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**

PE Term 1



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Apple & Pear Oak Elm	Holly Ivy	Rowan Maple Walnut	Cedar Cherry Oak	Cherry Cedar Rowan

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

Term 1 Week 3 Team Point Totals

Jaguars 145 (4 points)

Leopards 131 (3 points)

Lions 108 (2 points)

Tigers 88 (1 point)



Current Totals

Jaguars 8

Leopards 6

Lions 4

Tigers 2

DIARY DATES

2nd Sept

26th Sept

1st Oct

10th Oct

17th Oct

28th Oct

Return to School

Macmillan Coffee 9-10am Lodge

Carmal Jane Photography Individual Photos

NHS Flu Vaccines

Coffee Morning Reception Parents/Carers

End of Term 1

Term 2 Begins

Spring Summer
2025

WEEK ONE

21.04.2025
12.05.2025
09.06.2025
30.06.2025
21.07.2025
08.09.2025
29.09.2025

Option One

MONDAY

Macaroni
Cheese

TUESDAY

BBQ Chicken Pizza
With Potato Salad

WEDNESDAY

Sausages With Roast
Potatoes & Gravy

THURSDAY

Spaghetti
Bolognese

FRIDAY

Fishfingers or Salmon
Fishfingers with Chips &
Tomato Sauce

Option Two

Veggie Baked Bean Hot
Pot

Mild Mexican
Chilli with Rice

Roasted Quorn Fillet
Roast
Potatoes, & Gravy

NEW Chefs Special
Chickpea Curry
with Rice

Cheese & Bean Pasty
with Chips & Tomato
Sauce

Vegetables

Peas & Sweetcorn

Coleslaw & Baked
Beans

Carrots & Cabbage

Green Beans &
Sweetcorn

Baked Beans & Peas

Dessert

Apple
Flapjack

Summer Lemon
Cake

Fruit
Platter

Savoury Cheese
Scone

Strawberry Jelly
with
Mandarin

WEEK TWO

28.04.2025
19.05.2025
16.06.2025
07.07.2025
25.08.2025
15.09.2025
06.10.2025

Option One

Cheese & Tomato Pizza
With Crushed New
Potatoes

Pork Hot Dog with
Wedges & Tomato
Sauce

Roast Chicken With
Roast Potatoes, & Gravy

NEW Chefs Special
Chicken Korma with
Rice

Battered Fish with Chips
& Tomato Sauce

Option Two

Lentil & Sweet Potato
Curry With Rice

Hot Dog with Wedges &
Tomato Sauce

Vegetable Soya Roast,
Roast Potatoes & Gravy

Spaghetti
Veggie Bolognese

Cheese and Tomato
Quiche with Chips

Vegetables

Sweetcorn & Green
Beans

Baked Beans & Peas

Carrots & Broccoli

Green Beans &
Sweetcorn

Peas & Baked Beans

Dessert

Iced Vanilla Sponge

NEW Strawberry and
Apple Crumble with Ice
Cream / Cream for
Serving

Freshly Chopped
Fruit Salad

Peaches and Ice
Cream / Cream for
Serving

Vanilla
Shortbread

WEEK THREE

05.05.2025
02.06.2025
23.06.2025
14.07.2025
01.09.2025
22.09.2025
13.10.2025

Option One

Classic Veggie Pasta
Bolognese

NEW Green Thai
Chicken Curry
with Rice

Roast Turkey, Roast
Potatoes & Gravy

NEW Greek Macaroni
Pastitsio

Breaded Fish
and Chips & Tomato
Sauce

Option Two

NEW Chefs Special
Five Bean
Jollof Rice

Quorn Burger In Bun With
Potato Wedges

Veg Wellington,
Roast
Potatoes & Gravy

Spinach and Cheese
Whirl with Rice & Tzatziki

Veggie Sausage With
Chips & Tomato Sauce

Vegetables

Sweetcorn & Green
Beans

Broccoli & Mixed
Peppers

Vegetable Medley

Mixed Salad & Coleslaw

Peas & Carrots

Dessert

Pear & Chocolate
Upside Down Cake

Cheese and Crackers

Fruit Salad

Jam and Coconut

Oaty Cookie

MENU KEY



Added Plant Protein



Wholemeal



Vegan



Chef's Special

Available Daily: - Freshly cooked jacket potatoes with a choice of fillings - Bread freshly baked on site- Daily salad selection -
Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt

ALLERGEN 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 allergen cross contact.

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TERM DATES

2025/2026

TERM 1	
Monday 1 st September	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 2 nd September	First Day Term 1
Friday 17 th October	Last Day of Term 1
OCTOBER HOLIDAY	
Monday 20 th Oct – Friday 24 th October	Holiday – No School
TERM 2	
Monday 27 th October	Staff Development day
Tuesday 28 th October	First Day of Term 2
Friday 19 th December	Last Day of Term 2
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY	
Monday 22 nd December to 2 nd January	Holiday – No School
TERM 3	
Monday 5 th January	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 6 th January	First Day of Term 3
Friday 13 th February	Last Day of Term 3
FEBRUARY HOLIDAY	
Monday 16 th to Friday 20 th February	Holiday – No School
TERM 4	
Monday 23 rd February	First Day of Term 4
Thursday 2 nd April	Last Day of Term 4
Friday 3 rd April	Bank Holiday
Monday 6 th April	Bank Holiday
EASTER HOLIDAY	
7 th April to Friday 17 th April	Holiday – No School
TERM 5	
Monday 20 th April	First Day of Term 5
Monday 4 th May	Bank Holiday – No School
Friday 22 nd May	Last Day of Term 5
Monday 25 th May	Bank Holiday – No School
MAY HOLIDAY	
Tuesday 26 th May – Friday 29 th May	Holiday – No School
TERM 6	
Monday 1st June	First Day of Term 6
Friday 17 th July	Last Day of Term 6
20 th & 21 st July	Staff Development Days



Class Assemblies 2025-2026



Friday 5 th September 2025	No class assembly
Friday 12 th September 2025	No class assembly
Friday 19 th September 2025	Cedar
Friday 26 th September 2025	Rowan
Friday 3 rd October 2025	Cherry
Friday 10 th October 2025	Elm
Friday 17 th October 2025	Maple
Friday 24 th October 2025	HALF TERM
Friday 31 st October 2025	Walnut
Friday 7 th November 2025	Oak
Friday 14 th November 2025	Holly
Friday 21 st November 2025	Ivy
Friday 28 th November 2025	Apple & Pear
Friday 5 th December 2025	No class assembly
Friday 12 th December 2025	No class assembly
Friday 19 th December 2025	No class assembly
Friday 26 th December 2025	CHRISTMAS
Friday 2 nd January 2026	CHRISTMAS
Friday 9 th January 2026	Cedar
Friday 16 th January 2026	Rowan
Friday 23 rd January 2026	Cherry
Friday 30 th January 2026	Elm
Friday 6 th February 2026	Maple
Friday 13 th February 2026	Walnut

Friday 20 th February 2026	HALF TERM
Friday 27 th February 2026	Oak
Friday 6 th March 2026	Holly
Friday 13 th March 2026	Ivy
Friday 20 th March 2026	Apple & Pear
Friday 27 th March 2026	Elm
Friday 3 rd April 2026	EASTER
Friday 10 th April 2026	EASTER
Friday 17 th April 2026	EASTER
Friday 24 th April 2026	Maple
Friday 1 st May 2026	Walnut
Friday 8 th May 2026	No class assembly – pre-SATs
Friday 15 th May 2026	No class assembly – SATs
Friday 22 nd May 2026	Cedar
Friday 29 th May 2026	HALF TERM
Friday 5 th June 2026	Rowan
Friday 12 th June 2026	Cherry
Friday 19 th June 2026	Oak
Friday 26 th June 2026	Holly
Friday 3 rd July 2026	Ivy
Friday 10 th July 2026	Apple & Pear
Friday 17 th July 2026	No class assembly
Friday 24 th July 2026	SUMMER HOLIDAY

LP
Football
Coaching



After School Football

Years 3/4/5/6
Every Wednesday
3.15pm - 4.15pm

Years 1 & 2
Every Thursday
3.15pm - 4.15pm

Options to pay
per session or
per term
£5 a session

How to sign up



Email:
Lpfootballcoaching
@outlook.com

with child's name
and year group
or
drop us a message
on
07704 976846



**WE ARE
MACMILLAN.**
CANCER SUPPORT

***Please join us for
Macmillan Coffee
Morning on Friday 26th
September. This will take
place in the lodge from
9:00-10:00.***



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Macmillan Cancer Support, registered charity in England and Wales (1054775), Scotland (SC039095)
and the UK of the 1945. Macmillan Cancer Support is a registered charity.





SIGN UP FOR OUR

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Wednesday 24 September 2025

Doodle Design • Ceramic Structures • Fantastic Beasts

Wednesday 1 October 2025

Mathematical Origami • Walking In Their Shoes
Are You Smarter Than a Computer? • Let's Get Moving

Wednesday 8 October 2025

Forensic Investigation • Performing in Pantomime
Have You Got What It Takes to Take On The Olympians?

Wednesday 15 November 2025

Space Racers • Snack Smart • A French Feast • Singing Like The Stars

All Workshops run from 4.00pm - 5.00pm

Transition workshops provide an opportunity for students to see what lessons are like in secondary school, and where students can work on their skills in their subjects of choice. Scan the QR Code to sign up now! Places are limited.



WE ARE VALLEY PARK

OPEN EVENING

18TH SEPTEMBER

6PM UNTIL 9PM

**PRINCIPAL'S PRESENTATION
6.15PM & 7.30PM**

Academy Tours

Discover life at our academy with
tours starting from 22nd September

Book your spot online now.
www.saa.woodard.co.uk

BOOK NOW

**NO
BOOKING
REQUIRED**



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