



The Park Way Post



11th Sept 2026

❁ Welcome Back! ❁

A very warm welcome back to all our wonderful children and families! We hope you've had a fantastic summer, enjoyed plenty of sunshine, made some lovely memories and had lots of time to relax. We're so excited to have everyone back and ready for another brilliant year of fun, friendship and fabulous learning!

Our new Reception children have made such a wonderful start! They are settling in beautifully, getting to know their new friends and teachers, and there has already been lots of fun, laughter and exploring happening in Early Years.

Next week, our Reception children will be staying for lunch and until **1pm all week**, giving them even more time to enjoy their exciting new routines and adventures with us! They will be full time from 21st September.

A few little reminders...

Just a few gentle reminders to help us keep everyone safe, happy and ready to learn:

- Please make sure your child comes to school in the correct school uniform.
- Children need to be in class, sat down and registered by 8.55am please ensure you are on time. School ends at 3.15pm.
- Scooters and bikes are not permitted to be ridden on any part of the school grounds at anytime. We want to keep our school safe for everyone!
- If bikes or scooters are left in the bike shed, please remember to padlock them securely and remember you leave these at your own risk.
- Please remember to sign up to Scopay and read the newsletters as you could miss vital information and fun activities!
- Please find somewhere safe to park, do not block residents drive ways and please do not park on the pavements – you may need to find a space further away and walk.
- Earrings must be studs only and children must be able to remove them themselves for PE – we cannot remove them or tape them. Hoop earrings are **not** allowed – please save them for home.

Thank you, as always, for your support and cooperation.

Here's to a **fantastic year ahead**, filled with laughter, learning, new adventures and lots of wonderful memories!

Welcome back, everyone — let's make it a brilliant one!

Sad news....

After the festival, two people broke into the school through the roof. They went straight to our offices, which suggests they knew the building well. We do not keep any money on site, so they left with nothing – but they caused a lot of damage. Luckily they were caught on CCTV and ring doorbells in the area multiple times and left forensic evidence. We are working with the police and will update you once we have further details.

After School Club

We now have a direct line to after school club which is open from 3.15pm everyday. This should only be used after office has closed and in case of an emergency. 01622 606474

Macmillan Coffee Morning

This year we will be holding a coffee morning on Friday 25th September – please bring in cake donations on Thursday 24th September .

Harvest

This year for Harvest Festival we will be supporting those who were affected by the floods in Nepal where 100's of people lost their lives, homes and livelihoods. Please bring in some loose change – please give any money to the class teacher on 16th October.

Secondary Schools..

Now is the time a lot of secondary schools start to have their open days and they begin their transition events (for both Years 5 & 6) to prepare children for the next stage of their academic journeys.

You must apply for your child's secondary school – we cannot do this for you but we are happy to try and answer any questions you may have.

You must apply by **Monday 2 November 2026. Further info can be found here**
Secondary school places - Kent County Council

Please let attendance know if you have booked any events during the school day.

Please have a look at websites and book visits to get a feel for the schools you are applying for - some of our local schools are:

[Welcome to Valley Park School](#)

[Welcome to School of Science & Technology Maidstone](#)

[Welcome to Invicta Grammar School](#)

[Home - Maidstone Grammar School](#)

[Home - Maidstone Grammar School for Girls](#)

[Welcome to The Maplesden Noakes School](#)

[New Line Learning Academy - Home](#)

[Cornwallis Academy - Home](#)

[Welcome to St Augustine Academy](#)

[Oakwood Park Grammar School - Home](#)

Residential Trip **Years 5 & 6**

Lower Grange Farm Residential (Years 5 and 6 only) – Information Evening

There will be an information evening for all those interested in the residential trip (Years 5 and 6) on Tuesday 22nd September at 6pm (in Maple class).

Miss Churchill

Sports Day

Sports day will be on Tuesday 22nd September (not reception). Further details will follow.



During the holidays Eddie made the courageous decision to have his long hair cut and to donate it to the Little Princes Trust charity, which gives hair and hope to children with cancer. Well done Eddie, everyone is super proud of you. If you would like to donate to Eddie's fundraising – his link is below.

https://fundraise.littleprincesses.org.uk/fundraising/eddies-big-hair-cut?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=dssb-CL&utm_content=MPC&utm_ref=UBS





AND....

Sebastian achieved his distance swimming award this summer!!

He swam an amazing 2000 metres (80 lengths) non-stop during his swimming lesson! Well done Sebastian!!

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!

PE Term 1



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

Week 2 Team Points Total

Lions 170 (4 points)

Tigers 93 (3 points)

Jaguars 93 (3 points)

Leopards 89 (1 point)



Attendance

Please do not email the office – we have 100s of emails everyday and yours 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**

When you say goodbye in the morning, please don't call your child back for more kisses and cuddles. Please don't wave or blow kisses from the window either. This can upset children who are happy and settling in class. If your child leaves you happily, that's great – let them go. We will always call you if ever there is a problem!!!

DIARY DATES

3 rd Sept	Children Return To School
22 Sept	Sports Day – Not Apple & Pear
	Information Evening – Residential
24 th Sept	Bring Cake Donations
25 th Sept	Macmillam Coffee Morning
2 nd Oct	Individual Photo's with Carmal Jane Photography
16 th Oct	Harvest Festival
20 th Oct	Flu Immunisations
2 nd Nov	Applications Close For Secondary School Places

KENT & TKAT SPRING SUMMER MENU 2026



		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	MENU KEY:
WEEK ONE 20.04.26 11.05.26 08.06.26 29.06.26 20.07.26 14.09.26 05.10.26	Option One	Macaroni Cheese	Phat Pasty Pork Sausage Roll with Potato Wedges & Tomato Sauce	Roast Chicken with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Spaghetti Bolognaise	Fishfingers or Salmon Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce	
	Option Two	Chickpea Curry with Rice	Quorn Vegan Cumberland Sausage with Potato Wedges & Tomato Sauce	Roasted Quorn with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Tomato & Vegetable Pasta	Cheese & Bean Pasty with Chips & Tomato Sauce	
	Sides	Green Beans & Sweetcorn	Baked Beans & Peas	Carrots & Cabbage	Sweetcorn & Peppers	Baked Beans & Peas	Whole grain
	Dessert	NEW Banana Mousse	Orange Drizzle Cake	Fruit Platter	Apple Flapjack	Strawberry Jelly with Mandarins	
WEEK TWO 27.04.26 18.05.26 15.06.26 06.07.26 31.08.26 21.09.26 12.10.26	Option One	Cheese & Tomato Pizza With New Potatoes	Beef Chilli with Rice	Roasted Pork Sausages with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Greek Chicken Pitta with Herby Rice & Tzatziki	Battered Fish with Chips & Tomato Sauce	
	Option Two	Lentil & Sweet Potato Curry with Rice	Loaded Jacket With Cheese & Spring Onion or Tomato Pasta	Veg Wellington with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Greek Spinach & Cheese Whirl with Herby Rice & Tzatziki	Quorn Vegan Cumberland Sausage with Chips & Tomato Sauce	Plant based
	Sides	Peas & Coleslaw	Sweetcorn & Green Beans	Fresh Vegetable Medley	Broccoli & Carrots	Baked Bean & Peas	
	Dessert	Iced Vanilla Sponge	Peaches & Ice Cream (or Cream for Serveries)	Freshly Chopped Fruit Salad	Jam & Coconut Sponge	Oaty Cookie	Added plant protein
WEEK THREE 13.04.26 04.05.26 01.06.26 22.06.26 13.07.26 07.09.26 28.09.26 19.10.26	Option One	Tomato Pasta	Beef Burger with Potato Wedges & Tomato Sauce	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Chef Shilpa's Mild Chicken Curry with Rice	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce	
	Option Two	NEW Chinese Vegetable Noodles	Quorn Burger with Potato Wedges & Tomato Sauce	Vegetable Pasty with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Cowboy Sausage and Bean Hotpot	NEW Cheesy Broccoli Frittata with Chips	Chef's Special
	Sides	Peas & Sweetcorn	Baked Beans & Rainbow Slaw	Carrots & Swede	Sweetcorn & Peppers	Baked Beans & Peas	
	Dessert	Pineapple Upside Down Cake	Cheese & Crackers	Fruit Medley	Strawberry and Apple Crumble with Ice Cream (or Cream for Serveries)	Vanilla Shortbread	
AVAILABLE DAILY:		Jacket Potatoes with a choice of fillings, Salad Bar, Freshly Baked Bread, Fresh Fruit, Yoghurt					

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.



YOUNG VOICES



Park Way Primary School will once again be performing at the O2 as part of Young Voices. The concert date is Wednesday 20th January, 2027. Places will be limited so please fill in the online form and pay via Scopay as soon as possible in order to reserve your child's place on the trip.



Choir rehearsals will start in September. Optional audience tickets and T-shirts can be ordered direct to Young Voices rather than through the school providing an email address has been given on the form



The O₂

Thanks for your support,
Mrs Ord





TERM DATES

2026/2027

TERM 1	
Tuesday 1 st September	Staff Development Day
Wednesday 2 nd September	Staff Development Day
Thursday 3 rd September	First Day Term 1
Friday 23 rd October	Last Day Term 1
OCTOBER HOLIDAY	
Monday 26 th October to Friday 30 th October	Holiday – No School
TERM 2	
Monday 2 nd November	Staff Development day
Tuesday 3 rd November	First Day of Term 2
Friday 18 th December	Last Day of Term 2
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY	
Monday 21 st December to Monday 4 th January	Holiday – No School
TERM 3	
Monday 4 th January	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 5 th January	First Day of Term 3
Friday 12 th February	Last Day of Term 3
FEBRUARY HOLIDAY	
Monday 15 th February to Friday 19 th February	Holiday – No School
TERM 4	
Monday 22 nd February	First Day of Term 4
Thursday 25 th March	Last Day of Term 4
EASTER HOLIDAY	
Friday 26 th March to Friday 9 th April	Holiday – No School
TERM 5	
Monday 12 th April	First Day of Term 5
Monday 3 rd May	Bank Holiday – No School
Friday 28 th May	Last Day of Term 5
MAY HOLIDAY	
Monday 31 st May to Friday 4 th June	Holiday – No School
TERM 6	
Monday 7 th June	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 8 th June	First Day of Term 6
Wednesday 21 st July	Last Day of Term 6

Class assemblies listed below – parents and carers are more than welcome to come and watch – please make your way to the back of the hall after drop off!



Class Assemblies 2026-2027



Friday 4 th September 2026	No class assembly
Friday 11 th September 2026	No class assembly
Friday 18 th September 2026	Cedar
Friday 25 th September 2026	Rowan
Friday 2 nd October 2026	Cherry
Friday 9 th October 2026	Elm
Friday 16 th October 2026	Maple
Friday 23 rd October 2026	Walnut
Friday 30 th October 2026	HALF TERM
Friday 6 th November 2026	Oak
Friday 13 th November 2026	Holly
Friday 20 th November 2026	Ivy
Friday 27 th November 2026	Apple & Pear
Friday 4 th December 2026	No class assembly
Friday 11 th December 2026	No class assembly
Friday 18 th December 2026	No class assembly
Friday 25 th December 2026	CHRISTMAS
Friday 1 st January 2027	CHRISTMAS
Friday 8 th January 2027	Cedar
Friday 15 th January 2027	Rowan
Friday 22 nd January 2027	Cherry
Friday 29 th January 2027	Elm
Friday 5 th February 2027	Maple
Friday 12 th February 2027	Walnut

Friday 19 th February 2027	HALF TERM
Friday 26 th February 2027	Oak
Friday 5 th March 2027	Holly
Friday 12 th March 2027	Ivy
Friday 19 th March 2027	Apple & Pear
Friday 26 th March 2027	EASTER
Friday 2 nd April 2027	EASTER
Friday 9 th April 2027	EASTER
Friday 16 th April 2027	Elm
Friday 23 rd April 2027	Maple
Friday 30 th April 2027	Walnut
Friday 7 th May 2027	No class assembly – pre-SATs
Friday 14 th May 2027	No class assembly – SATs
Friday 21 st May 2027	Apple & Pear
Friday 28 th May 2027	Ivy
Friday 4 th June 2027	HALF TERM
Friday 11 th June 2027	Oak
Friday 18 th June 2027	Holly
Friday 25 th June 2027	Cedar
Friday 2 nd July 2027	Rowan
Friday 9 th July 2027	Cherry
Friday 16 th July 2027	No class assembly
Friday 23 rd July 2027	SUMMER HOLIDAY

