



**PARK STREET
CHURCH OF ENGLAND
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Autumn Term
Week 2

13th Sept 2019

NEWS

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CAMBRIDGE

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you very much for making me so welcome at Park Street, in my first full week. I am beginning to put names, faces, children and parents together now to some degree—please bear with me as this is an ongoing process! We are all getting used to the Park Street routine now, and our new staff, Mrs Orrock and Mrs Jahnigen are an integrated part of the team! Mrs Orrock has had particular success with Class Four, who are developing some remarkable sewing skills in their 'Make do and Mend' lessons.

We welcomed Rev. Andrew Day back into school this week for our Thursday Collective Worship, which will happen regularly at 1.10pm. We are hopeful that we will develop closer links with the church, going forward. I would also like children to experience worship led by other denominations on occasion—please let me know if you have any contacts who would be willing to help with this.

Best wishes, Sarah Hawker

PTA

PTA are hosting 'get to know each other' sessions at Michaelhouse Café at 9am on Tuesday 17th September and Friday October 4th. After that, they will be on the first Friday of every month. Mrs Hawker will attend when possible. They are also hosting a Welcome Tea on Friday 27th September at 2.30pm in school. Please come along and meet each other. The PTA have also kindly offered to mark 'National Teaching Assistant Day', on Monday September 16th, in assembly. Their first full meeting will be on Tuesday 24th September, at 7.45pm in the Old Spring pub. Please come along, even if you have had no experience of this in the past, as everybody is really keen to welcome and encourage new members.

School Meals

On Monday 16th September, at 11.45 we will be having a 'new parent lunch'. Please tell the office if you would like to attend. Cost is £3.20 for adult meals. **All Key Stage Two children's meals are now £2.35, not £2.30 as previously stated.**

Phonics Information Meeting

There will also be a phonics information session for Class 1 parents, at 9am on Wednesday 9th October. Please try to attend if you can.

Stars of the Week:

Class 1: Elsie	Class 3: Rowan
Class 2: Hattie	Class 4: Lewis

PE Kits

Please make sure that your child has a suitable PE kit in school at all times. If you do not yet have the official Park Street one, due to orders being late, any shorts and T-Shirt will do for the moment. A change of trainers is also necessary.

Before School Club

It you need to use this club on a Tuesday or Friday, please book promptly as these days are very popular. Please remember to book for all days by emailing bscbookings@parkstreet.cambs.sch.uk, to be certain of a place. On arrival, please ring the bell to the right of the main gate and you will be admitted.

After School Clubs

We will be sending you details on after school clubs shortly.

Parent Volunteers

I would like to welcome more parents into Park Street, to help us in the classrooms, on trips and to help with after-school clubs. Involving parents in the children's learning and school life in general will help our school to really flourish! A letter will be coming out next week about this. Please could you indicate on this any areas of expertise you could offer us, and the sort of time commitment you could make. Volunteers will need to undertake the usual DBS checks and will take part in a short induction meeting, to ensure everybody is familiar with the relevant school policies.

Update on Park Street Carpark

We have received notification of the Planning Application for the Car Parl. Everybody affected is invited to make comments about this. To view detail about the application, visit www.cambridge.gov.uk/planningpublicaccess and enter 19/1061/FUL in search field. Comments must be made by 20th September 2019 for them to be included in the decision making process. We have more details about this should you require them.

Kinnerz Coaching

After school sports clubs will run on Mondays and Tuesdays. To book, please visit the Kinnerz coaching website:
www.kinnerzcoaching.co.uk

Payments

Please remember to put your cash and cheques in the secure box located in the reception area. Please do not give to the teachers.

Religious Education

As a church school, our religious education and church links are very important. We are developing our RE curriculum, in line with a wonderful resource called 'Understanding Christianity', in addition to learning about other world religions. If you would like to know more about this, please visit the website: <http://www.understandingchristianity.org.uk/>. We are also continuing to develop our relationship with Great St Mary's Church, who now have an education officer. All classes will be visiting this church and learning through activities there this term. Please see the calendar, which is still developing, for the dates your child will be taking part.

Parent Governor

We currently have a vacancy for a Parent Governor. If you would be interested in applying for this role, please email office@parkstreet.cambs.sch.uk. The selection for this post will be through an election, involving all parents. Consequently, you will be asked to write a short resume of your experience and skills, to enable parents to make an informed choice when voting. This is an important role and the other governors are keen to welcome somebody into the post as soon as possible.



DIARY DATES

Monday	16th September	New parent lunch for all new parents Also National TA (Teaching Assistant) Day!	11.45-12.30
Thursday	26th September	GenR8 "Cool Choices" for Year 6	In school hours
Friday	27th September	Welcome Tea for all new parents in the hall, provided by the PTA	2.30-3.20
Monday	30th September	Class 3 visit to King's College	In school hours
Thursday	3rd October	Storytelling for Class 4 at Michaelhouse	AM
Friday	4th October	PTA "getting to know each other" at Michaelhouse	9.00
Monday	7th October	Class 3 visit to King's College	In school hours
Wednesday	9th October	Phonics meeting for Class 1 parents	9.00
Thursday	10th October	Class 2 visit to Gt St Mary's Latin Club starts after school (details to follow)	After-noon 3.20
Monday	14th October	Harvest Festival at Gt St Mary's. All welcome. Tag Rugby competition, year5/6.	9.30
Friday	18th October	Last day before half term	
Tuesday	5th November	Flu immunisation programme, all year groups	In school hours
Wednesday	13th November	Class 4 trip to IWM Duxford	In school hours
Wednesday	27th November	Class 3 trip to Warner Brothers Harry Potter studios	In school hours
Friday	6th December	Carols at Gt St Mary's —details to follow	
Wednesday	18th December	Carol Service— Gt St Mary's	9.30
Monday	22nd December	Christmas Eve Service at Michaelhouse	

Inset Days 2019—2020

Thursday 2nd April

Friday 3rd April

Wednesday 22nd July