



Park Lane Primary & Nursery School

# Headteacher Update

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2024

Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils,

We hope your experience of Park Lane is going well this year and you feel that the school is doing a good job for your children. If that is not the case, please email the school office and arrange a meeting with your child's class teacher. It is always best to do these things sooner rather than later. We are here to help, and we will work hard to help you.



## Whittlesey Festival Art Competition

We were very pleased to welcome Marija to our school. Marija announced in assembly that we have two prize winners in the annual Whittlesey Art Festival.

Both girls were over the moon to receive their prize in assembly. It was also Phoebe's birthday - making it extra special.

Ilona's artwork, based on a landscape of the Ouse Washes, was chosen to be the front cover of next year's festival programme.

The children thanked Marija and we asked her to extend our thanks to the Whittlesey Festival Committee for all their hard work.

## Friends of Park Lane School (FOPLS)

Please remember our next meeting is after school on **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> of September**. Please come along to the school office and we will be there to welcome you. Children are welcome to sit and listen, play quietly. Meetings do not last too long. We will be planning future events. Hope to see you there.



### Swimming Gala

We are organizing a swimming gala at the Manor Leisure Centre on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> of October. Mrs Bowden is taking the lead on this (thank you).

This will be the school's first one and we are going to begin with a small group of our older children (letter to be sent).

We are really excited about this. The gala should grow into a really exciting event that many of our children will look forward to.

We will be asking children if they would like to compete in the near future.

### Ahoy There!! Pirates in Nursery



Mrs Hughes and her team are having pirate fun in nursery. A great opportunity to dress up, make pirate ships, and sing pirate songs. We could not resist sharing this picture of the children really enjoying their pirate ship.

A big thank you to Mrs Hughes and her team for all the wonderful things they do.



We love this picture. The children's table manners are perfect, and lunchtime is the perfect time to make new friends. School meals for all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are free!

### Concerns and Questions

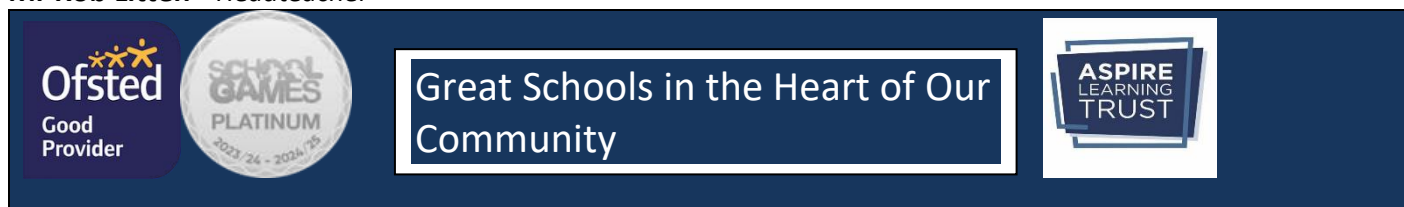
Please remember, if you have a concern, please approach your child's class teacher in the first instance. Appointments can be made by emailing or calling the school office [office@parklaneprimary.com](mailto:office@parklaneprimary.com) We expect all staff to be friendly and to do their best to support you.

The term dates and a list of future dates are below. Thank you for reading the newsletter.

Kindest regards,



Mr Rob Litten - Headteacher



**Autumn Future Dates:**

<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September</b>	Year 4 Burwell House Residential
<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September</b>	MacMillan Coffee and Cake after school in the main school hall, FOPLS event
<b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Harvest Festival, please send your child to school with a can of food.
<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Year 3 200m race and Year 4-6 400m race (please see letter sent)
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October</b>	Year 5/6 Disco. information to follow
<b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October</b>	Year 3/4 Disco, information to follow
<b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October</b>	Flu vaccination in school, please see school comms.
<b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October</b>	Year 6 Swimming Gale, information to follow
<b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Reception – Year 2 Disco, information to follow
<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Odd sock day, information to follow
<b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Children in Need. Information to follow
<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Parents Evening 3.30pm to 6.00pm, booking link to be sent.
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November</b>	Parents Evening 3.30pm to 6.00pm, booking link to be sent.
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December</b>	FOPLS Christmas market
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christingle
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Rocksteady Christmas performance 2:15pm for KS1; 2:45pm for KS2 parents (for parents of children who attend Rocksteady only)
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Lunch
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Jumper/Dress Down Day and Class Party - last day of term!

**Autumn Term Dates:**

<b>Autumn term - 1<sup>st</sup> Term 2024</b> Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September – Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October <b>Holiday – Mon 28<sup>th</sup> October – Fri 1<sup>st</sup> November</b>	<b>Autumn term - 2<sup>nd</sup> Term 2024</b> Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> of December <b>Holiday - Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> of December - Mon 6<sup>th</sup> January</b>
<b>Spring term - 3<sup>rd</sup> Term 2025</b> Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> of January – Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> of February <b>Holiday - Mon 17<sup>th</sup> February – Fri 21<sup>st</sup> of February</b>	<b>Spring term - 4<sup>th</sup> Term 2025</b> Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> of February – Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> of April <b>Holiday - Mon 7<sup>th</sup> of April - Mon 21<sup>st</sup> of April</b>
<b>Summer term - 5<sup>th</sup> Term 2025</b> Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April - Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May <b>Holiday – Mon 26<sup>th</sup> of May - Friday 30<sup>th</sup> of May</b>	<b>Summer term - 6<sup>th</sup> Term 2025</b> Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June – Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> of July <b>Holiday – Mon 21<sup>st</sup> July</b>

Staff Training Day - Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025