



Perryfields Junior School

The Friday Flyer

Week 17 – January 2024

Headteacher's Message

We are so pleased that our ActivAll boards are up and running! Following Miss Howlett's assembly on Monday, the children have been allocated different times to use the boards. Miss Howlett achieved 69 points on the board and challenged the children to beat her...apparently Miss Marshall scored 74 in After School Club. Go Perryfields!

I was delighted to award a Random Act of Kindness award to Owen (Tolkien Class) in Celebration Assembly this week. Owen has shown exceptional goodwill to others and I am so pleased that his kindness has been acknowledged by the whole school.

Thank you to all parents and carers who visited our 'Book Look' on Tuesday. I'm sure you all enjoyed sharing your children's learning and were amazed with the quality and quantity of work they have completed since September.

As always, we look at attendance throughout each term and we send letters if your child's attendance is below 90%. This means they have missed half a day off a week. If they drop to 80% then they are missing a whole day each week. Unfortunately, it is much harder for children with poor attendance to reach their full potential. In short, their life chances will be impacted. I understand that all children are susceptible to illness but please make sure they are in school wherever possible.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend

Jane Hasler

Pupil of the Week

Cowell: William
Seuss: Sophie
Walliams: Zuzanna
Lewis: Ezara
Dahl: Sienna
Rowling: Tavish
Tolkien: Shyla
Morpurgo: Elisha
Pullman: Hannah W

Mrs Siddall's Attendance Award
Cowell Class – 97.01%

Award for
Outstanding Manners
Poyraz – Tolkien Class
Sachith – Morpurgo Class

PE Award
Sreeyan – Seuss Class

Spelling Award
Lewis Class

Random Act of Kindness Award
Owen – Tolkien Class

ATTENDANCE

The national expectation for attendance is 96%. The government has clarified the position regarding the term 'regular' attendance. It means children must be in school EVERY DAY. Every second counts at Perryfields. We must work together to improve attendance and punctuality even more.

Year 3	96.7%
Year 4	89.6%
Year 5	93.1%
Year 6	93.3%



Coming Up This Term

Monday 5 th February	Year 4 Superstars Trip – email sent 8/1/24
Thursday 8 th February	MOVIE NIGHT – email sent 18/1/24. Places are limited, please book through ScoPay
Monday 12 th February	Year 4 Colchester Castle Trip – email sent 18/1/24
Thursday 15 th February	Year 3 Life in Ancient Egypt Workshop – volunteers needed email sent 5/1/24
Friday 16 th February	Year 5 Tudors Enterprise Day – parents are invited to join us from 9.15am - 9.45am. Email sent 19/1/24
Friday 16 th February	Final Amount due for Stubbers Trip – Year 6 Residential
Friday 1 st March	Year 4 Romans Enterprise Day – parents are invited to join us from 9.15am - 9.45am. Email sent 25/1/24
Monday 4 th March	Year 5 Life in Tudor England Workshop – volunteers needed email sent 11/1/24
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day – details to follow
Thursday 14 th March	Science Fayre – details to follow

Reminders/Notices

Parking – Once again, we are having to ask parents not to park in front of the school gates at any time. This can cause problems for both incoming and outgoing traffic and is particularly dangerous at peak times.

Winter PE Kits – Please make sure your child has a tracksuit/appropriate clothing for outdoor pe lessons during the colder weather.

Please note that we can also provide a packed lunch if your child would prefer this. This will be either the baguette, wrap or soft roll and also includes a drink, fruit, cucumber sticks and the dessert of the day.

		Week: Two				
		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main course	Meat	Fishwich	Sticky Chicken Fillet	Shepherds pie (contains Beef)	Macaroni & Cheese	Chicken Chunks
	Vegetarian	Spicy Bean Burger	Quorn Fillet	Quorn Shepherds pie	Macaroni & Cheese	Cheese Pinwheel
	Gluten Free	Gluten Free Wrap (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)	As Above	As Above	Gluten Free Macaroni & Cheese	Gluten Free Chicken Nuggets
	Jacket Potato	Baked Beans/Cheese	Baked Beans/Tuna	Tuna/Cheese	Tuna/Cheese	Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo
	Side Dish	Potato Wedges	Rice	Gravy	Crusty Bread	Chips Baked Beans
	Vegetables	Salad Bar Sweetcorn	Sweetcorn & Pea mix Salad Bar	Mixed Vegetables	Sweetcorn Salad Bar	Salad Bar
	Packed Lunch	Baguette (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)	Wrap (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)	Soft Roll (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)	Baguette (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)	Wrap (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)
	Dessert	Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Marble Cake	Toffee Crispy Bar	Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Apple Crumble and Custard
	Drinks	Water/Milk	Water/Milk	Water/Milk	Water/Milk	Water/Milk

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January 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Prospective Student Tours – Spring Term 2024

We are pleased to let you know that we are holding a series of open day events at KEGS in late February/early March for Year 5 boys, together with ONE parent or carer. These are for boys who are interested in a place at KEGS, and who will be starting secondary school in September 2025.

The sessions are:

Thursday 29 February – 09:20 or 09:50

Friday 1 March – 13:35 or 14:00

Monday 4 March – 13:35 or 14:00

Tuesday 5 March – 09:20 or 09:50

Thursday 7 March – 09:20 or 09:50

Friday 8 March – 13:35 or 14:00

The event will include a presentation from myself, and from some of our Year 8 students, followed by a short question and answer session. There will also be a tour of the school with one of our staff tour guides. Entry is by booking only and please follow this [link](#) to reserve your place.

As places are limited you will understand that we are restricting bookings to one child and one adult ONLY, and we can only accept one booking per family.

Tours will be partly outside so please dress for the weather. Please arrive promptly as sessions will start on time and allow one and a half hours for your visit.

Full details of our Admissions Policy can be found on our [website](#).

Thank you very much for your interest in our school and we look forward to meeting you.

Kind regards

Tom Carter
Headteacher



**8TH FEBRUARY
2024**

3.15PM – 5.30PM

**FOR ONE NIGHT ONLY, FIPS
PRESENTS...**

**‘FINDING
NEMO’**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS
LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE**

**Tickets in
advance from the
school office.**

**A real movie
experience for the
children!**

**Popcorn and a
drink and in the
interval - all
included in the
ticket price of just**

£4.50

**Book your ticket
today!!!!**

**After his son gets
abducted from the Great
Barrier Reef and is
dispatched to Sydney,
Marlin, a meek clownfish,
enlists the help of a
forgetful fish and embarks
on a journey to bring him
home.**

Public Health
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Date: 19th January 2024

Dear Parent / Guardian

re: Measles

Cases of measles are increasing in England currently. If your child has not been fully vaccinated with the MMR vaccine it is a good time to get this done to protect them. This can be arranged through the child's GP practice. You can check your child is up to date with their MMR vaccinations by looking at their personal health record (Red Book) or by asking their GP.

The early symptoms of measles can look like other illnesses: runny nose; cough; conjunctivitis. The child may also have a high fever. The distinctive rash of measles begins around day 3 of the illness, a rash of flat red or brown blotches appear, beginning on the face, behind the ears and spreading over the body.

Any child thought to have measles should not be sent to school. Where possible NHS 111 or the GP should be phoned for advice, rather than visiting the surgery or A&E. This is to avoid passing the infection on to others. Further details about measles can be found at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/>.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Danny Showell".

Danny Showell
Public Health Consultant

Top Tips for SETTING UP PARENTAL CONTROLS ON NEW DEVICES

In children's eagerness to start enjoying new digital gadgets immediately, it can be easy to overlook setting up the type of parental controls that can help to protect them online. If you don't sort those out from the very start, it can be an uphill battle – technologically and psychologically – to impose such controls later. Here's our rundown of what to look for when setting up the various internet-enabled devices that might be lurking under the tree at this time of year.

IPHONE

If your child's lucky enough to be getting their own iPhone, parental controls can help avoid issues like screen addiction and unsuitable content. Go into the settings and scroll down to 'Screen Time'. From here you can customise important settings including time limits on using the device, communication restrictions and content blockers. You can also lock your changes behind a passcode.

ANDROID

With Android devices, Google's Family Link app is your friend. You'll need a Google account – and a separate one for your child, which you should use when first setting up the device. Then, in Family Link on your own device, select 'Add Child' and enter their account details. This lets you specify limits on daily usage, restrict certain apps, block particular content and more.

PLAYSTATION

You can prep for a PlayStation before it's even unwrapped. At my account.sony.com, create an account, then go to Account Management > Family Management > Add Family Member to set up your child's account, which you'll use to sign in on the console. You can restrict the age ratings of the games they can play and who they can talk to. On the PS5, you can make exceptions for any games you think are acceptable despite their high age rating.

IPAD

iPad parental controls are identical to those on iPhones. However, if you've got a shared family iPad and want to ensure your children aren't seeing anything age-inappropriate after you hand them the device, there's a feature called Guided Access (under Settings > Accessibility > Guided Access). With this switched on, young ones can only use the app that's currently open.

XBOX

The Xbox Family Settings app helps you manage which games your child can play (and when). You'll need to set up the console with your own account and then add a child profile. Make sure your account's password protected, so your child can't alter your choices later. You'll be walked through the functions at setup, but you can also reach them manually via Settings > Account > Family Settings.

NINTENDO SWITCH

Download the Nintendo Switch Parental Controls app on your phone, and you'll be shown how to link it to the console. Once that's done, you can limit how long your child can play each day, decide what age ratings are permitted and more. You'll also get weekly updates on how often they've used the device. These controls are accessible through the console itself, but the app is usually easier.

WINDOWS 11 PCs

On Windows 11, account management is key. Set up the device with your own account as the admin. Then go to Settings > Accounts > Family and Other Users and create your child's account (if you've already done this on a previous PC, just log in with those details). Microsoft Family Safety (either the app or the site) then lets you control screen time, what content children can view and more.

CHROMEBOOKS

Chromebooks' parental controls are managed via the Family Link app. Unlike an Android device, however, you need set up the Chromebook with your own account first, then add your child's. Go to Settings > People > Add Person and input your child's Google account details (or create a new account). Your child can then log in, and you can monitor what they're up to via Family Link.

MACS

Like iPhones, parental controls for Macs are managed via the Screen Time settings. Again, the crux here is to set yourself up as the administrator before adding any child accounts. In the settings, look for Users & Groups to create your child's account, then – while on their profile – use the screen time options to place any boundaries around apps, usage and who your child can communicate with (and vice versa).

SMART TVS

Smart TVs typically have their own individual parental controls. One of the most popular brands is Samsung – and on their TVs, you can control the content available to your child. In the Settings menu, under 'Broadcasting', you can lock channels and restrict content by its age rating. Even this isn't foolproof, however: some apps (like YouTube) might still let children access unsuitable material.

Meet Our Expert

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