



Perryfields Junior School

The Friday Flyer

Week 20 – February 2024

Headteacher's Message

It's been a very busy last week of term...

Year 4 had a great day at Colchester Castle on Monday where they significantly enhanced their learning about the Romans by exploring the museum and the castle. During the visit they also toured the foundations of the castle; learnt about Boudicca; constructed Roman villas and looked at lots of original artefacts and Roman treasures. Thank you to all staff and parents who helped with this trip.

Year 3 were immersed in Ancient Egyptian History throughout the day on Thursday - This was an excellent enhancement to their foundation learning in class. They enjoyed lots of hands-on activities e.g. making canopic jars, carving, tomb painting, ink making and writing and perfume cone making. Thank you to all our staff and parents who helped to make this day a success.

We all enjoyed the Year 5 Enterprise this morning; the whole school were very impressed to see how much Year 5 have learnt about the daily life, customs and traditions of the Tudors. Most importantly, this day gave the children a great chance to articulate their learning to adults and children across the school - outstanding leadership skills Year 5.

As many of you are aware, we were visited by a team from Ofsted this week, and although we are presently unable to share the outcomes of the inspection, I would just like to take this opportunity to thank those parents who filled in the Parent View questionnaire. Your positive feedback really means a lot to our teaching team.

Finally, before we break for half term, I would like to remind you to look at our weekly class blogs; these are a great insight into our work in school and a valuable opportunity for you to share your child's learning with them.

I hope you have a super break and we look forward to welcoming you back on Tuesday 27th February.

Jane Hasler

Pupil of the Week

Cowell: Jasper
Seuss: Olivia T
Walliams: Alexxa
Lewis: Isabel
Dahl: Oscar
Rowling: Edson
Tolkien: Tiara
Morpurgo: Mikaela
Pullman: Samuel S

Award for
Outstanding Manners
Lochlan – Seuss Class
Archie – Rowling Class

PE Award
Robyn – Walliams Class

Spelling Award
Dahl Class

Mrs Siddall's Attendance Award
Rowling Class – 97.4%

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	97.8%
Year 4	89.6%
Year 5	91.4%
Year 6	93.2%



Coming Up This Term

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 – email sent 30/1/24
Thursday 14 th March	Science Fayre – email sent 12/2/24
Friday 15 th March	Popup Book Store – email sent 9/2/24
Friday 22 nd March	School Sports Clubs finish – please contact outside providers for end dates
Monday 25 th March	SATS Talk to parents – email sent 9/2/24
Tuesday 26 th March	Parents Evening – details to follow
Wednesday 27 th March	Parents Evening – details to follow
Thursday 28 th March	Last day of term – School finishes at 1.30pm

Reminders/Notices

Permission for School Events/Trips – If asked, please make sure to give your child permission to attend school events and trips through your ScoPay account. Please let the school office know if they are not taking part. Thank you.

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 see our amended dinner menu below.

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.

Menu Autumn Term *starting w/c 30/10/23*

Week: One

						
Main course	Meat	Homemade Pizza Wheel	Bolognese (contains Beef)	Chicken Pie	Pork Sausage	Omega 3 Fish Fingers
	Vegetarian	Homemade Cheese & Onion Rolls	Quorn Bolognese	Quorn 'chicken' pie	Vegetarian Sausage	Homemade savoury Cheese muffins
	Gluten Free	Gluten Free Pizza Wheel	As above	Gluten Free Chicken Gravy Pie	Gluten Free Wrap (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)	Gluten Free Fish Fingers
	Jacket Potato	Tuna/Cheese	Tuna/Beans	Baked Beans/Cheese	Tuna/Cheese	Tuna/Cheese/Beans
	Side Dish	Coleslaw Baked Beans	Pasta Garlic Bread	Sweetcorn Gravy	Hashbrown Baked Beans	Chips Baked Beans
	Vegetables	Sweetcorn Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar
	Packed Lunch	Wrap (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)	Baguette (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)	Soft Roll (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)	Baguette (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)	Wrap (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)
	Dessert	Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Sponge Cake & Chocolate Custard	Oat Cookie	Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Flapjack
	Drinks	Water/Milk	Water/Milk	Water/Milk	Water/Milk	Water/Milk



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Independent children's booksellers, Bronnie and Bob, Bookwagon Limited, visit with a pop up book store on the afternoon of Friday, March 15th.

We will show and talk about a bespoke selection of wonderful books we've read, recommend and reviewed. Families are invited to view and buy after school and/ or purchase online, with every book discounted by 25%!

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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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