

The Park Schools Federation

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Spring Term Newsletter 5

Dear Mums/Dads/Carers,

Talent Show Heats

We're gearing up for our Talent Show Finals Spectacular at 2pm on Tuesday afternoon!

All our finalists are 'winners'. There won't be an overall 'winner' at the Finals. Making it to the final is the prize!

If your child has qualified for the finals, you will have been contacted last week to invite you to come and watch the show. Please arrive about 10 minutes beforehand if you're coming.

Our Pupil Management Team had a really hard job in selecting the finalists. We have such a huge collection of talented children here at Park! It should be a lot of fun!



Staffing Update

We have a few members of staff who are currently unwell and signed off from work for a while: Miss Philbin (Year 3), Mrs Watkins (Year 2), Mrs Yates (Pastoral Lead), Mrs Goddard (Midday Supervisor and Cleaner) and Mrs Scott (Midday Supervisor).

You will appreciate that people can become poorly from time to time. Please know that we are working really hard to limit any disruption to our children during these staff absences. However, we do not have a 'reserve bank' of staff waiting to step in to cover staff absences.

We are often reliant on supply agencies, who may not have the same supply staff available on all our required days, meaning cover can sometimes be inconsistent which isn't perfect. These situations are out of our hands but, when these situations happen, we do our best to ensure as smooth a process as possible.

County Football Finals

Park Schools Federation have a huge sporting day today! Both our championship winning football teams – Girls' Football Team and Mixed Boy/Girl Football Team – are representing the Bolsover District at the Derbyshire County Football Finals at Derby Racecourse today!

Please join us in wishing them the best of luck. It'll be a very tough day, with some exceptionally strong competition.



Year 5 Transition Event at Shirebrook Academy

We have all of our Year 5 children heading up to Shirebrook Academy on Wednesday morning. They will have a tour around the academy, to get them used to the setting, and will also take part in a range of winter sports activities.

Scarborough Residential Trip – Parent/Carer Meeting

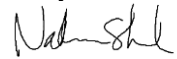
We have our parent/carers information evening this Wednesday evening at 5pm. Please make sure you come along to find out all the important information regarding this amazing experience!

The final payment deadline for our Scarborough residential trip is Friday February 28. If you haven't made the payment by that date, then please be aware that your child will not be able to attend this trip.

Recognition for Long-Serving Staff

And finally, two of our long-serving staff members have been recognised for their 25 years of service at our school by Derbyshire County Council. Huge well done from us all Mrs Bennett and Miss Collier, very well deserved indeed!

Many thanks for your continued help and support,



Nadeem Shah

Executive Headteacher



Spring Term Diary Dates 2025

Monday February 3	Derbyshire Schools Football County Finals – Girls' team (am)
	Derbyshire Schools Football County Finals – Boys' team (pm)
Tuesday February 4	Talent Show Finals
	Year 6 Wolves Class Library Visit
Wednesday February 5	Year 5 Transition Event at Shirebrook Academy
	Year 5/6 Parent/Carer Meeting for Scarborough Residential at 5pm
Friday February 7	Year 3 Spiders class reward (pm) – Board Game Bonanza
	FS2 Flamingoes and Giraffes class reward – Drive in movie *change of date
Monday February 10	Year 4 Koalas class reward – Trip to Wheelgate
	Year 5 Owls Class trip to Hardwick Hall
Tuesday February 11	Year 2 Dragonflies Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	Year 5 trip to Hardwick Hall
	Year 6 Goats Class Library Visit
Wednesday February 12	Year 2 Starfish Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	Times Tables Rock Stars Day
	Valentine's Disco
Thursday February 13	Parent Forum at 9am
Friday February 14	Last day of spring half-term 1
Monday February 24	Children return to school
	ELITE Swimming (on site) all week
Tuesday February 25	Year 5 Elephants Class Library Visit
Friday February 28	Year 5/6 Scarborough Residential Payment Deadline

Monday March 3	ELITE Swimming (on site) all week
Tuesday March 4	Year 1 Hedgehogs Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	Year 5 Owls Class Library Visit
Wednesday March 5	Year 1 Lizards Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
Thursday March 6	World Book Day
Friday March 7	After-School Enrichment Clubs End
Monday March 10	Whole School Assessment Week
	Year 4 Trip to Jorvik Viking Centre
Tuesday March 11	FS2 Giraffes Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	Year 4 Panthers Class Library Visit
Wednesday March 12	FS2 Flamingoes Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
Thursday March 13	Parent Forum at 9am
Tuesday March 18	Year 6 Wolves Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	Year 4 Koalas Class Library Visit
Wednesday March 19	Year 6 Goats Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
Friday March 21	Family Chocolate Bingo Night at 5pm
Tuesday March 25	Year 5 Owls Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	Year 3 Tanukis Class Library Visit
	Parents' Evening
Wednesday March 26	Year 5 Elephants Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	Parents' Evening
Thursday March 27	Parents' Evening
Tuesday April 1	Year 3 Spiders Class Library Visit
Wednesday April 2	Year 3/4 Production at 10am and 2pm
Friday April 4	Easter Eggs and/or Easter Bonnets (optional homework activity)
	Last day of spring half-term 2

Summer Term Diary Dates 2025

Tuesday April 22	Inset Day
Wednesday April 23	Children return to school
	Year 5 Bikeability
Thursday April 24	Year 5 Bikeability
Friday April 25	Year 5 Bikeability
Tuesday April 29	Year 2 Starfish Class Library Visit
Monday May 5	Bank Holiday
Tuesday May 6	Year 4 Bikeability
	Year 2 Dragonflies Class Library Visit
Wednesday May 7	Year 5 Bikeability
Monday May 12	Year 6 SATs Week
Tuesday May 13	Year 1 Hedgehogs Class Library Visit
Tuesday May 20	Year 1 Lizards Class Library Visit

Friday May 23	Last day of summer half-term 1
Monday June 2	Children return to school
Tuesday June 3	FS2 Giraffes Class Library Visit
Tuesday June 10	FS2 Flamingoes Class Library Visit
Tuesday June 17	Year 6 Wolves Class Library Visit
Monday June 23	Whole School Assessment Week
Tuesday June 24	Year 6 Goats Class Library Visit
Monday June 30	Year 5 leave for the residential trip to Scarborough
Wednesday July 2	Year 6 leave for the residential trip to Scarborough
	Year 5 return from the residential trip to Scarborough
Friday July 4	Year 6 return from the residential trip to Scarborough
Monday July 7	Year 4 Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
Wednesday July 9	EYFS Sports Day at 9am
	Year 5 Transition to Shirebrook Academy
Thursday July 10	Year 1/2 Sports Day at 9.30am
	Year 3/4/5/6 Sports Day at 1.30pm
Monday July 14	Transition to new classes and Year 6 to Shirebrook Academy
Tuesday July 15	Transition to new classes and Year 6 to Shirebrook Academy
Tuesday July 22	End-of-year reports go home
Wednesday July 23	Year 2 Graduation in school at 9.30am
Thursday July 24	Last day of summer half-term 2
	Year 6 Graduation at Sports Direct Auditorium at 10am
	Year 6 Rounders Match versus the staff and parents at 1.15pm
	Year 6 Family Barbecue at 2.30pm

Autumn Term Diary Dates 2025

Thursday September 4	Inset Day
Friday September 5	Inset Day
Monday September 8	Children return to school
Friday October 24	Last day of autumn half-term 1
Monday November 3	Children return to school
Friday December 19	Last day of autumn half-term 2
Monday January 5, 2026	Children return to school