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Dear Mums/Dads/Carers,

We can't quite believe it's December, but here we are and we have lots of really exciting things coming up in the final three weeks of 2025 at the Park Schools Federation! This week we have:

Santa Fun Run

Our Santa Run has been postponed to Wednesday, due to the poor weather. All sponsorship monies collected from this event will be used to pay for playtime equipment which our children can play with at breaktimes. There will also be exciting prizes for the 3 children who collect the most donations for this event!

Pantomime Reminders

We head off to the Mansfield Palace Theatre tomorrow for our whole school trip to the Pantomime. We've taken over the whole theatre, buying up pretty much every ticket in the house!

We'll be leaving promptly, so please make sure you're in school on time. We'll be back at school at about 1.30pm, so it'll be a slightly later lunch. All lunch options will be available. We're providing every child with an ice cream at the theatre (if they want one) and they can all bring their own snack, as long as they fit in their own pocket. We'll also have some drinks if any children get thirsty.

We can't wait for this, it's going to be amazing!

Year 2 Singing Stars

Our Year 2 Singing Stars performance is at 2.30pm on Wednesday afternoon. The car park gates will be open for families to come and get their seats from 2.20pm.

Christmas Clear Out Toy Sale

Our 'Christmas Clear Out' Toy Sale is this Thursday, December 4. If you have any toys you wish to donate, please bring them up to school by tomorrow, Tuesday December 2 and leave them with our office team.

These toys will be sold to our children at very low prices – 50p, £1 or £2 each. All the money raised will go towards future events for our children.

Inset Day

A reminder that this Friday is an Inset Day, so school will be closed to children that day.

Buildings Update

After just over two weeks of building, our brand new adventure fort will be completed this week and we're thrilled! We'll be giving every class some time to have fun on the fort this week, so they can get some of their excitement out of their system.

For the next few months, we know that many of our children will be really keen to get on the fort as often as possible. You will understand that we will have to timetable it, so we don't have too many children on there at the same time.

Whilst there are no legal age restrictions for children accessing high platforms on play zones, we have made our own safety risk assessments and will be making Year 2 the youngest year group who can access the new adventure fort.

We won't be allowing any children on there before school but you are welcome to supervise your own children on the fort after school. This includes children younger than Year 2, as long as they are under your supervision.



Christmas Fayre

Thank you so much for all your support at our Christmas Fayre! Our Friends/Parents Group worked really hard on putting this together, and it was extremely busy indeed! Once they added it all up, they managed to raise £931 for school, which is absolutely brilliant!

We'd all like to offer a huge thank you to our Friends/Parents Group for all their hard work! This was the first big event they have organised and they did a great job.

The Raffle results have been posted on the Friends Facebook page. If you are a winner, you can collect your prize from our school office.



Christmas Productions

Tickets for each of our Christmas productions are currently available from our school office and they cost £1 each. Families can currently get 2 tickets, but we are running a reserve list for extra tickets. Extra tickets will be available from next Monday, December 8. The money raised from ticket sales goes towards costumes and resources for future performances.

Christmas Production times:

Early Years (Nursery and Reception) – Thursday December 11 at 10am and 2pm

Key Stage 1 (Year 1 and Year 2) – Thursday December 18 at 10am and 2pm

Dinner Menu

This week's school dinner menu is outlined below:

Week 2		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday			
10.11.25	The Main Event	NEW Chicken Goujons with Homemade BBQ Sauce, Mixed Rice & Seasonal Vegetables	Margherita Pizza with Seasonal Vegetables	Yorkshire Pudding with Roast Pork, Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Big Breakfast with Sausage & Bacon or a Vegan Breakfast Hash Browns, Baked Beans & Tomatoes	NEW Harry Ramsden's Battered Fish Fillet with Chips & Seasonal Vegetables			
01.12.25	Alternative Choice	Quorn Dippers with Mixed Rice & Seasonal Vegetables	Vegetables Bolognese with Pasta, Seasonal Vegetables & Garlic Bread	Yorkshire Pudding with a Quorn Fillet, Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Jacket Potato with Cook's Choice of Filling & Seasonal Vegetables	Creamy Cheesy Pasta Bake with Crusty Bread & Seasonal Vegetables			
05.01.26		26.01.26	23.02.26	16.03.26	Daily Choice	Egg Sandwich Pasta Bake	Ham Sandwich Jacket with Beans	Tuna Sandwich Pasta Bake	Chicken Sandwich Jacket with Tuna
	Dessert	Vanilla Shortbread Slice	Chocolate Cracknel	NEW Bitesize Sprinkle Cake with Fruit	Jelly & Fruit	NEW Jam Roly Poly & Custard			

Many thanks for your continued help and support,

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Executive Headteacher

Autumn Term Diary Dates 2025

Monday December 1	Santa Run *postponed
Tuesday December 2	Whole School Trip to the Pantomime at Mansfield Palace Theatre
Wednesday December 3	Santa Run *rescheduled date
	Year 2 Singing Stars Performance at 2.30pm
Thursday December 4	Christmas Clear Out Toy Sale
	Childhood Flu Vaccination Programme for FS2 up to Year 6
Friday December 5	Inset Day
Monday December 8	Christingle Service for Years 1/2 at the Church at 10.30am
Tuesday December 9	Class 3J at Richmond Care Home at 1:15pm to sing to the residents
	Christingle Service for Years 5/6 at the Church at 1.30pm

Wednesday December 10	Christingle Service for Years 3/4 at the Church at 1.30pm
	SEND Learning Plans Review – Parents’ Meeting
Thursday December 11	EYFS Christmas Production “A Shiny Sparkly Christmas” at 10am and 2pm
Friday December 12	Non-Uniform Day (selection box donations)
	Class 3T carol singing at New Bassett House at 1.30pm
Monday December 15	Christmas Crafts (pm) with Year 1, Year 2, Year 5, Year 6
Tuesday December 16	Christmas Crafts (pm) with FS1, FS2, Year 3, Year 4
Wednesday December 17	Christmas Dinner
	Nurture Robins Carols at Langwith Lodge
Thursday December 18	Year 1/2 Christmas Production at 10am and 2pm
	Christmas Family Bingo Night 5pm to 7pm
Friday December 19	Wear Something Christmassy Day
	Last day of autumn half-term 2
	Optional early collection at 1.15pm

Spring Term Diary Dates 2026

Monday January 5	Inset Day
Tuesday January 6	Children return to school
Friday January 9	Class Newsletters sent home
Tuesday January 13	Talent Show Heats
	Library visit – Class 3T
Wednesday January 14	Talent Show Heats
Monday January 19	After-School Enrichment Clubs begin
Tuesday January 20	Talent Show Finals
Thursday January 22	Year 6 Playmaker Training
Monday January 26	Class 6M visit to the National Holocaust Museum
Tuesday January 27	Library visit – Year 2 Owls
Thursday January 29	Year 6 Playmaker Training
Friday January 30	Class 6P visit to the National Holocaust Museum
Monday February 2	Swimming Pool on site for 3 weeks
Tuesday February 3	Library visit – Class FS1 Ladybirds
Wednesday February 4	Parent/Carer Meeting for Year 6 London Residential at 5pm
Tuesday February 10	Library visit – Year 2 Dragonflies
Wednesday February 11	SEND Learning Plans Review – Parents’ Meeting
	Valentine Disco
Thursday February 12	Parent/Carer Meeting for Year 5 Scarborough Residential at 5pm
Friday February 13	Last day of spring half-term 1
Monday February 23	Children return to school
Tuesday February 24	Library visit – Year 1 Rabbits
Wednesday February 25	Year 2 Owls Class Assembly at 9am – Mrs Mills
	Parent/Carer Meeting for Year 4 Walesby Residential at 5pm
Thursday February 26	Year 2 Dragonflies Class Assembly at 9am – Mrs Grayson
Friday February 27	Class Newsletters sent home
	Residential Trip Final Payment Deadline – Years 4/5/6
Monday March 2	Year 4 Trip to the Jorvik Viking Centre

Tuesday March 3	Year 1 Butterflies Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Wheeldon
	Library visit – Year 1 Butterflies
Wednesday March 4	Year 1 Rabbits Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Melvin
Thursday March 5	World Book Day
Friday March 6	Final day for Swimming Pool on site
	Choir Concert at Frasers Group Auditorium
	Final day for After-School Enrichment Clubs
Monday March 9	Assessment Week
Tuesday March 10	FS2 Monkeys Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Thornewill
	Library visit – FS2 Monkeys
Wednesday March 11	FS2 Elephants Class Assembly at 9am – Mrs Watson
Thursday March 12	Mothers' Day Breakfast at 7.45am – Infant School
Friday March 13	Non-Uniform Day with Easter Egg Donation
Monday March 16	Mothers' Day Breakfast at 7.45am – Junior School
Tuesday March 17	FS1 Ladybirds Class Assembly at 9am and 2.30pm – Mis Head
	Library visit – FS2 Elephants
	Parents' Evening
Wednesday March 18	Parents' Evening
Thursday March 19	Parents' Evening
Friday March 20	Family Event 'Chocolate Bingo Night' at 5pm
Tuesday March 24	Library visit – Class 6P
Wednesday March 25	Year 3/4 Production at 10am and 2pm
Friday March 27	Easter Egg and Easter Bonnet Competition
	Last day of autumn half-term 2

Summer Term Diary Dates 2026

Monday April 13	Children return to school
	Swimming Pool on site for 2 weeks
Tuesday April 14	Library visit – Class 6M
Friday April 17	Class Newsletters sent home
Tuesday April 21	Library visit – Class 5R
Monday April 27	After-School Enrichment Clubs begin
Tuesday April 28	Year 4 Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Chapman
	Library visit – Class 5W
Wednesday April 29	Year 4 Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Beckett
Monday May 4	Bank Holiday
Tuesday May 5	Bikeability for Year 4
	Library visit – Class FS1 Ladybirds
Wednesday May 6	Year 3 Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Thompson
	Bikeability for Year 5
Thursday May 7	Year 3 Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Johnston
	Bikeability for Year 5
Friday May 8	Bikeability for Year 5
Monday May 11	Year 6 SATs Week – Monday to Thursday
Tuesday May 12	Library visit – Class 4C
Friday May 15	Year 6 Trip to the Mill Adventure Base

Tuesday May 19	Year 1 Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Wheeldon
	Library visit – Class 4B
Wednesday May 20	Year 1 Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Melvin
Thursday May 21	Last day of summer half-term 1 for the children
Friday May 22	Inset Day
Monday June 1	Children return to school
	Enrichment Week (children off curriculum all week)
	Year 4 Residential trip to Walesby Forest (3 days and 2 nights)
Tuesday June 2	Year 5 Residential trip to Scarborough (3 days and 2 nights)
	Library visit – Class 3J
Wednesday June 3	Year 6 Residential trip to London (3 days and 2 nights)
	Year 4 return from Walesby Forest
Thursday June 4	Year 5 return from Scarborough
	Year 2 overnight sleepover at school
Friday June 5	Year 6 return from London
Tuesday June 9	Year 2 Class Assembly at 9am – Mrs Mills
	Library visit – Class 3T
Wednesday June 10	Year 2 Class Assembly at 9am – Mrs Grayson
Tuesday June 16	Year 6 Class Assembly at 9am – Mr Powers
	Library visit – Class FS1 Ladybirds
Wednesday June 17	Year 6 Class Assembly at 9am – Mrs Marriott
Thursday June 18	Fathers' Day Breakfast from 7.45am – Infant School
Friday June 19	Last day for After-School Enrichment Clubs
Monday June 22	Fathers' Day Breakfast from 7.45am – Junior School
	Assessment Week
Tuesday June 23	FS2 Class Assembly at 9am – Mrs Watson
	Library visit – Year 2 Owls
Wednesday June 24	FS2 Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Thornewill
Tuesday June 30	Year 5 Class Assembly at 9am – Mr Rodgers
	Library visit – Year 2 Dragonflies
Wednesday July 1	Year 5 Class Assembly at 9am – Mr Watson
	SEND Learning Plans Review – Parents' Meeting
Tuesday July 7	Library visit – Year 1 Butterflies
Wednesday July 8	EYFS Sports Day at 9.15am
Wednesday July 8	Summer Disco and Year 6 Prom
Thursday July 9	Sports Day for Years 1/2/3 at 9.30am
	Sports Day for Years 4/5/6 at 1.15pm
Tuesday July 14	Library visit – Year 1 Rabbits
Thursday July 16	Colour Run
Friday July 17	Reserve Sports Day
Tuesday July 21	Band Showcase at 2.30pm
	End of Year Reports sent home
Wednesday July 22	Year 2 Graduation at 9.30am
Thursday July 23	Year 6 Graduation at 9.30am and Year 6 Leavers Events (pm)
	Last day of summer half-term 2