

PARKGATE JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 19th September 2025

WELCOME

What a soggy week. We have dodged showers all week and had the first indoor play but we now feel all settled in and it has been fantastic to see the sun today.

Open morning has been such fun this week. The children have really enjoyed having their parents in and the Year 6 House Captains have loved being tour guides. If you weren't able to come in, don't worry, we will have Parents Evenings on the 21st and 23rd October and there is a book look when you can come in and have a look at the books on the 18th November.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 26th Sep Harvest Assembly
- 24th Sep - Surviving Year 6
- 25th Sep PTA AGM
- 30th Sep Individual and sibling photographs
- 21st Oct Parents evening
- 23rd Oct Parents evening
- 27th Oct - 31st Oct Half term
- 3rd Nov - Inset day
- 18th Nov - Book look
- 19th Dec Last day of Autumn Term (1.30pm)



HARVEST ASSEMBLY

This year our Harvest Festival will be held in school on Friday 26th September at 2pm. Our theme will be 'Helping Others'.

We will be collecting gifts to donate to Watford Food Bank. The Food Bank in Watford helps local people who face the prospect of going hungry.

Please can we ask that you donate the items requested from the list available on the [food bank's website](#) or look at the email we sent out.

Unfortunately, we are unable to invite parents to this occasion due to limited space in the hall but would like to thank you for your support and co-operation. Please send all donations in to school on the morning of Friday 26th September.



TERM DATES

	Starts 8.50am	Closes 3.20pm
Autumn Term 1	Thurs 4 th Sept	Fri 24 th Oct
Autumn Term 2	Tues 4 th Nov	Fri 19 th Dec (1.30pm)
Spring Term 1	Tues 6 th Jan	Friday 13 th Feb
Spring Term 2	Mon 23 rd Feb	Fri 27 th Mar (1.30pm)
Summer Term 1	Mon 13 th Apr	Fri 22 nd May
Summer Term 2	Tues 2 nd June	Tues 21 st July

School is also closed
Bank Holiday - Mon 4th May

CLUB PICK UP

A reminder that when collecting your child from an after school club (not including Parkgate Pirates), please wait by the the Southwold Road gate and your child will be brought down once the club has finished.

CATERLINK MENU - WEEK 2

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice	Beef Burger with Potato Wedges	Roast Chicken or Chicken Sausage (halal option) Vegetable Pasty with Roast Potatoes, Stuffing & Gravy	Greek Chicken Pitta with Rice, Tzatziki & Greek Salad	Battered Fish with Chips
Lentil and Sweet Potato Curry with Rice	Smokey Bean Burger with Potato Wedges	Jacket Potato	All day Vegetarian Breakfast	French Bread Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Chips
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato
Cheese or Tuna Baguette	Cheese or Tuna Baguette	Cheese or Tuna Baguette	Cheese or Tuna Baguette	Cheese or Tuna Baguette



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FAMILY SUPPORT NEWSLETTER

South West Herts Partnership is a family focussed/needs-led partnership working alongside children and their families to ensure access to a wide range of early support with a non-judgemental friendly approach. They offer a free and confidential family support service to families.

You can find more about the services they provide on their [website](#) or you can pop in to see Mrs Pipe.

You can find upcoming events and courses in their latest [newsletter](#).

PTA NEWS

All parents please do attend the PTA Annual General Meeting. This meeting is to appoint the new PTA members and ideas for the coming year to raise necessary funds for the school, our children's extra activities and to build a sense of community within the Parkgate family. The link will go out next week. Look out for it...



LIBRARY NEWS

Summer Reading Challenge



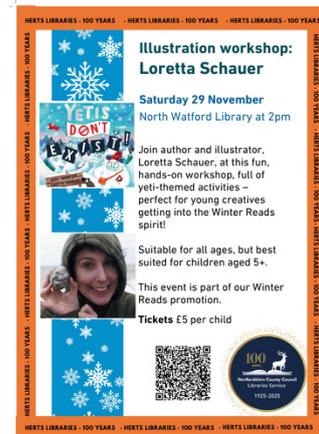
If your child completed the Challenge at Herts libraries over the summer, they can bring in their certificate to show Mrs Parr. In return, they will receive a school certificate and small reward in recognition of their achievement.

Family Library Drop-Ins



Why not come along with your child and any siblings and borrow, read and relax in our lovely library? We also have bookmark colouring! Mondays after school every week upstairs in the library. Mrs Parr will be there if you need any suggestions for further reading. There is also a small collection of adult's books for parents, grandparents and carers to borrow. We hope to see you there!

North Watford Library



STARS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the stars of the week:

🌟	3 Owl	Hakeem	Aiden
🌟	3 Robin	Edward	Abigail
🌟	4 Heron	Uliyyah	Diyan
🌟	4 Puffin	Umar	Nina
🌟	5 Parrot	Blake	Radia
🌟	5 Toucan	Kavithan	Madison
🌟	6 Eagle	Lorenc	Mila
🌟	6 Falcon	Vihaan	Mariam

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to 3 Owl for 99.19% attendance last week.

3 Owl	99.66%
3 Robin	99.32%
4 Heron	99%
4 Puffin	99%
5 Parrot	98.62%
5 Toucan	97.42%
6 Eagle	95.33%
6 Falcon	93.1%



RAFFLE WINNERS

Congratulations to this weeks raffle winners for positive behavior:

3 Owl	Lina, Aiden, Taranom
3 Robin	Simar, Caitlin
4 Heron	Richard
4 Puffin	Maya A, Florence, Seyara
5 Parrot	Alesha, Aiza
5 Toucan	Bryan, Kavithan
6 Eagle	Younes
6 Falcon	Mariam

