

PARKGATE JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 10th October 2025

An apology from Mrs Pipe

This week, some of the Year 6 girls have organised a charity raffle for Save the Children Fund. They donated some presents from home as the prizes. Each raffle ticket is 10p and the most that children could spend was 50p. This was advertised in school and was supposed to be a nice, simple raffle. I must apologise to you that it has become more complicated due to the children sharing money. I was outside yesterday with the girls and the girls were very well organised, but I didn't think to tell the children they couldn't share money. I apologise if you have been playing hunt the money. I am also sorry that we did not publicise it to the Parents. Lesson learned!



I hope you have a lovely, peaceful weekend.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



- 14th Oct Year 6 Handball Sports Morning
- 15th Oct Year 3 Swimming **cancelled**
- 17th Oct Year 4 Nature walk
- 21st Oct Parents evening
- 22nd Oct Parents evening (**NO Singing Club**)
- 22nd Oct Year 6 Trip to Bletchley
- 23rd Oct Flu Vaccinations
- 31st Oct Secondary school application deadline
- 27th Oct - 31st Oct Half term
- 3rd Nov - Inset day
- 5th Nov - Open morning - prospective parents
- 10th Nov Year 5 National Space Centre Trip
- 12th Nov Year 6 Local walk
- 18th Nov - Book look
- 20th Nov Year 5 Fun run at Future Academy
- 8th Dec Year 4 Dress rehearsal
- 9th Dec Year 4 Play
- 11th Dec Pantomime at school
- 17th Dec Christmas outfit day
- 18th Dec Christmas dinner and Carol concert
- 19th Dec Last day of Autumn Term (1.30pm)

HALLOWEEN FUN LUNCH

We will end this half term with a fun lunch on Friday 24th October.

We will be serving halloweenie hot dogs, chips and beans followed by a delicious batty brownies

We will have an exciting new menu when the children return in November.



YEAR 5 ROCKET ART



Year 5 created these wonderful multi-media pictures, inspired by the artwork of Peter Thorpe. We were so impressed we wanted to share them with you all.

DSPL9: FOR SEN FAMILIES

DSPL9 Parent Newsletters are published fortnightly and include a round-up of courses, workshops, training and events available to parents and families within DSPL9. Please follow the attached link if you are interested in reading [newsletter 3](#):

This can also be found on the [DSPL9 website](#).

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	



An inspiring learning community

YEAR 4 TRI GOLF TOURNAMENT

Year 4 took a trip to Future Academy on Thursday to take part in a golf tournament with some other local schools. We didn't win but we had a great time trying.



JOIN US FOR HALF TERM Fun at the Farm

KIDS' HALLOWEEN ART WORKSHOPS FREE KIDS' FACE PAINTING MISUENOS KIDS FANCY DRESS CONTEST

FREE Hot chocolate for kids with every ticketed event, courtesy of The Bull Pen. **BOOK NOW!** Just visit: BattersGreenFarm.co.uk/whats-on

BATTERS GREEN FARM, COMMON LANE, RADLETT, WD7 8PH

HALF TERM HALLOWEEN COSTUME COMPETITION

Wear your spookiest Halloween costume to The Brickery this half term on Thursday 30th or Friday 31st October for a chance to win a spooky LEGO® prize!

Book your table now!

thebrickerycafe.co.uk

STARS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the stars of the week:

🌟	3 Owl	Gabriel	Eliza
🌟	3 Robin	Prisha	Ibrahim
🌟	4 Heron	Aaron	Penelope
🌟	4 Puffin	Khyati	Alfie
🌟	5 Parrot	Sanjana	Aiza
🌟	5 Toucan	Dua	Tamika
🌟	6 Eagle	Amara	Khadijah
🌟	6 Falcon	Edward	Delia

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to 4 Puffin for 100% attendance last week.

3 Owl	94.27%
3 Robin	99.67%
4 Heron	96%
4 Puffin	100%
5 Parrot	97.49%
5 Toucan	96.55%
6 Eagle	96.13%
6 Falcon	98%



LIBRARY NEWS

Year 6 Library Visits

Year 6 visited North Watford library earlier this week. We learned what the library can offer as we prepare to move up to secondary school, both in terms of books and other resources and a quiet, safe study space. We also had great fun learning more about different genres to help us expand our reading choices.



New Library Assistants

Mrs Parr is delighted to announce our new Pupil Library Assistants for this year. Congratulations and welcome to Scarlett, Fianna, Chinwem, Hanzalah, Cecilia and Abeeha.

The Bad Guys at North Watford Library!

No, not the lovely library staff there! It's the fabulous Bad Guys from the very popular book series. Join in the fun activities at this upcoming event - see the photo for more information.



Activity session based on the hit book series.

Tickets £275 from the library

The Bad Guys are recruiting.

Saturday 11th October, 2pm-3pm.

North Watford Library.

Ages 7-11

www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/libraries

