



Parwich Primary School Newsletter

Spring Term (1)

9 February 2024



Thank you to everyone in the school community, who regularly donate items to our PTA Bag2School collections. Your generosity helps people around the world and also the school, as we receive approximately £25 for every 10 bags donated (based on an assumption of 5kg a bag).

Items donated must be dry, clean and of good quality:

see website: [What We Collect | Bag2School](http://www.parwich.derbyshire.sch.uk/what-we-collect)

The school's next collection is Thursday 25 April (9am).

Lunches Money - Junior Class Only

For parents who wish to pay for their child's lunches for the half term the amount, from September 2023, is **£3.25** a day for 28 days at a total of **£91.00**.

Cheques payable to **Derbyshire County Council**.

If you are in credit/arrears you will receive a note home.

A reminder to parents who pay weekly, please send payments for dinners to school on Monday morning for the beginning of each week. Also, if at any point you wish your child to swap to or from lunches to sandwiches, we would need a weeks notice.

Fruit Money - Junior Class Only

Parents can either pay for the whole year at a cost of **£22.50** or in 3 termly instalments,

September, January and April at a cost of **£7.50** per term.

Cheques payable to **Parwich Primary School**.

Banking Arrangements

For BACS payments, please contact the school office for bank account details.

Can you please use the following information as a reference, making sure each item is sent as a separate payment.

Regular Payment References:

- ◆ Dinner Money
- ◆ Fruit Money
- ◆ After School Club
- ◆ Uniform
- ◆ Water Bottle
- ◆ Reward Badge
- ◆ Gum Shield



Ad Hoc Payments References:

For any other payments into school (i.e. trips, voluntary contributions, sponsorship etc.) the reference for BACS payments will be on the letter/email sent out to parents.

Dates For Your Diary

February 2024

12th - Half Term holiday

19th - School reopens for Spring 2

March 2024

7th - World Book Day

(children to dress up as their favourite book character)

12th - Years 5 & 6 Cluster Netball Event



15th - Red Nose Day

19th - Years 3 & 4 Cluster Netball Event



20th - Parents Evening

28th - INSET Day (school closed to pupils)

March/April 2024

29th March - Easter Holiday



April 2024

15th - School reopens for Summer 1

25th - Bag2School

Term Dates for 2023 - 2024

Spring Term

Monday 8 January 2024 - Friday 9 February 2024

Monday 19 February 2024 - Thursday 28 March 2024

Summer Term

Monday 15 April 2024 - Friday 24 May 2024

(Monday 6 May 2024 - Bank Holiday)

Monday 3 June 2024 - Tuesday 23 July 2024



INSET

Monday 4 September, Friday 22 December, Thursday 28 March, Monday 22 July and Tuesday 23 July.

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Infant Gymnastics

During their gymnastics lessons, the Infant pupils have enjoyed creating shapes with their bodies, attempting different rolls and have worked collaboratively with a partner.



Design and Technology in the Infant Class



The Infants have been baking. They have designed Valentine cookies for their loved ones.

They have thought carefully about where all their ingredients have come from and have looked carefully at the recipe to measure out the ingredients.



They have even created packaging to hold their special Valentine's Day cookie.



Key Stage Descriptive Writing

During the latter weeks of this half term, the Junior Class have been writing a description about their favourite place.

They have been careful to use effective vocabulary and have also included figurative language within their work.

Please, enjoy a few quotes taken from their independent writing books.

'A large fuchsia bougainvillea plant stands welcoming you in.'

'Whilst inside, you sometimes catch a glimpse of a lurking gecko scaling the ecru-coloured walls.'

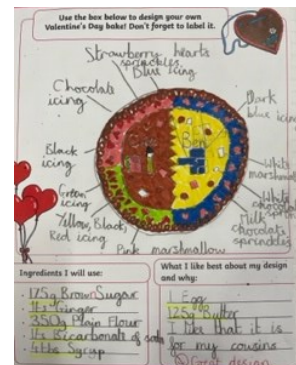
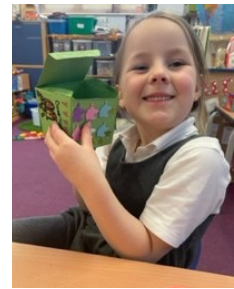
'The soot-like sand stretches for miles with the turquoise water contrasting perfectly.'

'The driveway is like a never-ending corridor and the shrubbery is as thick as a jungle.'

'Kingsbridge is also a great place for crabbing and seeing small fish flickering in the murky depths of the sea.'

'The small birds sing a magical song just for you, while you jump into the water.'

'The view of the woods is like a sprawling green carpet.'



Safeguarding / Health & Safety

When dropping off, or picking up your child, we kindly ask that you do not park or drive near to school, as it becomes a danger to pedestrians coming to and from school. For the safety of all our pupils, please pass this message on to all adults coming to the school for your children.



Thank you for your cooperation in helping to keep all of our children safe.



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After School Clubs

Spring Term (2)

Monday (3:15 - 4:15pm)

Years REC - 6

Art & Craft Club



Tuesday (3:15 - 4:15pm)

Years REC - 6

Traditional Playground Games



Wednesday (3:15 - 4:15pm)

Years REC - 6

Construction



Thursday (3:15 - 4:15pm)

Years REC - 6

Toys and Games



If your child is interested in attending a club, please contact Jenny Warner in the school office.

Charges for clubs will be £3.50 per session.

PTA

Thank you to our active PTA members, who have kindly organised the following events.

Recent Fundraising Events:

Thursday 25 January - Bag2School (awaiting total)

Forthcoming Events:

Thursday 25 April - Bag2School

Next Meeting: TBC



D & T - Night Lamps

KS2 tested and evaluated their night lamps. The bulbs in the circuit were not bright enough to light them efficiently, so we got the torches out. Illuminated, they looked great.



Chocolate

During assemblies, we have learnt all about how chocolate is made.

We also discussed how different types of chocolate used different amounts of cocoa butter and cocoa powder.

The best bit was tasting the chocolate.



Safeguarding / Health & Safety

A Polite Request

If you are collecting your child with your dog, please can you kindly wait off the school playground and back from the school entrances, so pupils and adults can walk through freely. We will then bring your child to you, when we are able.



NO DOGS



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Warm Clothing for Outdoor Breaks & Learning

Please, make sure your child comes to school with appropriate clothing to remain warm during outdoor break time and activities. Named hats and gloves are essential during our colder months.



Fire Safety Officer Visit



We had a lovely afternoon, as all children were educated about the importance of fire safety in the home and how to avoid accidental fires.

The children listened well and answered questions effectively. See more photos on our website.



Stop.



Drop.



Roll.



Ask your children to demonstrate.

Useful Websites

ActiveLearn



White
Rose
Maths

BBC

Bitesize



Topmarks



ChildLine
0800 1111

Links to all of these can be found on our school website.

www.parwich.derbyshire.sch.uk/links

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