

OLD PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

HEADTEACHER MESSAGE

It has been another positive week at Old Park Primary School, and it has been wonderful to see pupils continuing to settle so well into the new academic year. Classrooms are busy with learning, and it is clear that pupils are already demonstrating our school values of belonging, respect and responsibility. This week, our Year 3 and Year 4 pupils enjoyed taking part in a fascinating History Workshop with Shrewsbury museum. The children fully immersed themselves in the activities and gained a deeper understanding of their learning. We would like to thank the workshop leaders for providing such an enjoyable and memorable opportunity.

We are also delighted that our enhanced PE provision is now fully underway across the school. Pupils are benefiting from a wider range of sporting opportunities through our partnership with Crossbar Coaching and Shropshire Cricket, alongside lessons delivered by our own teaching staff. We are committed to ensuring that all children develop confidence, skills and a lifelong enjoyment of physical activity, and it has been fantastic to see such enthusiasm from pupils already.

Looking ahead, we are excited that our music provision through In Harmony will recommence on 28th September. Music plays an important role in developing creativity, confidence and teamwork, and we know that many of our pupils are looking forward to taking part once again. Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We hope you all have a wonderful weekend and look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday.



THINGS HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Monday 21st September: Parent workshop for reception children (phonics)

ATTENDANCE

Our whole school target for attendance is **96%**. The following classes achieved the target this week:

RB, RW, 12B, 2FC, 34P, 3C, 3F, 4S, 4W, 5F and 6HW

A special well done to **2FC** who had the highest attendance across the school this week. The attendance trophy is on its way to you!

Just a reminder...



Punctuality:

The classroom doors open each day at 8:40am and all pupils need to be in class and sat down ready for learning by 8:55am. Any pupils arriving after 8:55am will be marked as late and anyone arriving after 9:25am is coded as U (absent for the morning session). **It is vital that pupils are in school and on time every day as being late has a big impact on settling in to the school day and learning.**

Attendance:

If your child is not going to be in school please ensure that you call the main office as soon as possible.

If your child is ill and you are not sure if you should send them to school you can find guidance on the following NHS website.

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

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AUTUMN 1 DATES

* More dates may be added below as the term progresses

Monday 21st September: Reception class: Read Write Inc Parent workshop

Monday 28th September: Start of In Harmony week 1

Friday 9th October: Full governors meeting

Monday 12th October: Local authority PPG review

Thursday 22nd October: Last day of half term

Friday 23rd October: PD Day 2

Monday 26th October - Friday 30th October: Half term holidays



TERM DATES FOR 2026/2027

September '26							October '26							November '26						
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March '27							April '27							May '27						
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June '27							July '27							August '27						
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Holidays

Staff PD Day (school is closed to pupils)

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BREAKFAST CLUB

Starting from 2nd September 2026

1 **Traditional Breakfast Club**
7.40am to 8.10am
£2
Book via our online system

2 **Soft Start Option**
Arrive at 8.10am
through main school office
wake up and shake up at 8.30am
No booking required!

3 **Grab and Go**
Arrive at 8.40am
ready to register
at 8.55am
No booking required!

Make friends, have fun, start your day the right way!



Old Park Primary School VALUES



Belonging

1. I am proud to be part of the Old Park family.
2. I am a special and important part of our school.
3. I feel happy and valued.
4. I feel safe in school.
5. I help others through my support and friendship.



Respect

1. I treat everyone the same.
2. 'Everyone is awesome'.
3. We are all allowed different views and opinions.
4. I do not disturb the learning of others, and I help others to learn the best they can.
5. I care for myself, the school, the community and the wider world.



Responsibility

1. I always try my best with my learning.
2. I make good choices.
3. I am honest.
4. I know that my actions will have consequences.
5. I am a good role model to others.





Old Park Primary School BEHAVIOUR RULES



1. Follow instructions
2. To have kind words, kind hands and kind feet.
3. To show respect for everyone within the school community.



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WEEK BEGINNING 21.09.26 WEEK 1

Vegetarian
 Vegan
 Halal

Week 1

Monday

Pizza Bar - Cheese and Tomato or Chicken Pizza with a selection of toppings

Cheese and Tomato Pizza

Jacket Wedgies, Baked Beans, Garden Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, Wholemeal Bread

Cookie Selection

Tuesday

Chicken Dunkers Firm Assured Chicken coated in Natural Bread crumbs served with a choice of Sauces

Tomato and Quorn Pasta Bake Quorn pieces, and Pasta in a Chef's Tomato Sauce

Diced Potatoes, Sweetcorn, Broccoli, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Iced Sponge and Custard

Wednesday

Pasta and Jacket Potato Day with a selection of fillings including Bolognese, Cheese and Beans

Quorn Bolognese Mixed Vegetables and Quorn in a Chef's Rich Tomato Sauce

Jacket Potato, Sweetcorn, Garden Peas, Big Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Chocolate Sponge and Custard

Thursday

Spaghetti Bolognese Firm Assured Mixed Beef in a Chef's Rich Tomato Sauce

Vegetable and Bean Pasta Bake Seasonal Vegetables, Mixed Beans and Pasta in a Chef's Tomato Sauce

Pasta, Sweetcorn, Green Beans, Seasonal Salad Selection, Wholemeal Bread

Strawberry Mousse or Chocolate Mousse

Friday

Battered Fish White fillet of Fish coated in a Light Batter or Fish Stars MSC Salmon and Mashed potatoes with seasoning coated in a crispy crumb

Cheese Bake Creamed Potato and Grated Cheese topped with Sliced Tomato

Chips, Couscous, Baked Beans, Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Chef's choice of Dessert

Monday

Pizza Bar - Cheese and Tomato or Chicken Pizza with a selection of toppings

Cheese and Tomato Pizza

Pasta Twists, Roasted Sweet Potato, Seasonal Vegetable Selection, Big Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Chocolate Shortbread

Tuesday

Sausage Rolls Firm Assured Sausage Meat encased in Puff Pastry

Tomato and Quorn Pasta Bake Seasonal Vegetables, Quorn and Pasta in a Chef's Tomato Sauce

Jacket Wedgies, Baked Beans, Green Beans, Seasonal Salad Selection, Wholemeal Bread

Iced Sponge and Custard

Wednesday

Pasta and Jacket Potato Day with a selection of fillings including Bolognese, Cheese and Beans

Vegetable and Bean Seasonal Vegetables, Mixed Beans in a Chef's Tomato Sauce

Jacket Potato, Sweetcorn, Garden Peas, Big Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Ice Cream

Thursday

Beef Burger Firm Assured Minced Beef Burger with a Cheese Slice in a Soft Bread Roll

Vegetarian Burger with a Cheese Slice in a Soft Bread Roll

Potato Smiles, Seasonal Vegetable Selection, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Chocolate Sponge and Custard

Friday

Battered Fish White fillet of Fish coated in a Light Batter

Cheese Bake Creamed Potato and Grated Cheese topped with Sliced Tomato

Chips, Couscous, Baked Beans, Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, Wholemeal Bread

Cookie Selection

Monday

Pizza Bar - Cheese and Tomato or Chicken Pizza with a selection of toppings

Cheese and Tomato Pizza

Potato Smiles, Baked Beans, Garden Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Cookie Selection

Tuesday

Chicken Nuggets Firm Assured Chicken coated in a light batter and served with a Sauce or Sweet 'n' Sour Chicken Firm Assured Chicken in a Chef's Sweet n' Sour Sauce

Quorn Dunkers Quorn pieces coated in a light batter and served with a Sauce

Baked Rice, Jacket Wedgies, Sweetcorn, Broccoli, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Iced Sponge and Custard

Wednesday

Pasta and Jacket Potato Day with a selection of fillings including Bolognese, Cheese and Beans

Quorn Bolognese Mixed Vegetables and Quorn in a Chef's Rich Tomato Sauce

Jacket Potato, Seasonal Vegetable Selection, Big Seasonal Salad Selection, Wholemeal Bread

Fruit Cheesecake

Thursday

Chicken Curry Firm Assured Chicken in a Chef's Curry Sauce or Meatballs Firm Assured Pork Meatballs served with a Rich and Tasty Tomato Sauce or Gravy

Mixed Bean and Vegetable Curry in a Chef's Curry Sauce

Boiled Rice, Pasta Twists, Sweetcorn, Garden Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Chocolate Sponge and Custard

Friday

Battered Fish White fillet of Fish coated in a Light Batter

Cheese Bake Creamed Potato and Grated Cheese topped with Sliced Tomato

Chips, Couscous, Baked Beans, Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, Wholemeal Bread

Cook's Choice of Dessert

Week 2

Thursday

Beef Burger Firm Assured Minced Beef Burger with a Cheese Slice in a Soft Bread Roll

Vegetarian Burger with a Cheese Slice in a Soft Bread Roll

Potato Smiles, Seasonal Vegetable Selection, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Chocolate Sponge and Custard

Friday

Battered Fish White fillet of Fish coated in a Light Batter

Cheese Bake Creamed Potato and Grated Cheese topped with Sliced Tomato

Chips, Couscous, Baked Beans, Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, Wholemeal Bread

Cookie Selection

Week 3

Monday

Pizza Bar - Cheese and Tomato or Chicken Pizza with a selection of toppings

Cheese and Tomato Pizza

Potato Twists, Roasted Sweet Potato, Seasonal Vegetable Selection, Big Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Chocolate Shortbread

Tuesday

Sausage Rolls Firm Assured Sausage Meat encased in Puff Pastry

Tomato and Quorn Pasta Bake Seasonal Vegetables, Quorn and Pasta in a Chef's Tomato Sauce

Jacket Wedgies, Baked Beans, Green Beans, Seasonal Salad Selection, Wholemeal Bread

Iced Sponge and Custard

Wednesday

Pasta and Jacket Potato Day with a selection of fillings including Bolognese, Cheese and Beans

Vegetable and Bean Seasonal Vegetables, Mixed Beans in a Chef's Tomato Sauce

Jacket Potato, Sweetcorn, Garden Peas, Big Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Ice Cream

Thursday

Beef Burger Firm Assured Minced Beef Burger with a Cheese Slice in a Soft Bread Roll

Vegetarian Burger with a Cheese Slice in a Soft Bread Roll

Potato Smiles, Seasonal Vegetable Selection, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Chocolate Sponge and Custard

Friday

Battered Fish White fillet of Fish coated in a Light Batter

Cheese Bake Creamed Potato and Grated Cheese topped with Sliced Tomato

Chips, Couscous, Baked Beans, Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, Wholemeal Bread

Cookie Selection

FUN FOOD FACT

ripe cranberries bounce like rubber balls.

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broccoli contains more protein per calorie than steak, but you would have to eat a lot more broccoli!

Fresh Fruit available daily. Cheese and Crackers available Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Individual Yoghurts available Tuesday and Thursday. All items subject to availability.

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A great
start to a
brighter
future!



Read Write Inc.

Workshop

For Reception Parents



**Monday 21st
September
at 9am**

In the workshop we will
share our phonics scheme,
how it is taught and
expectations throughout
the year.



♥ We look forward
to seeing you!



What is Read Write Inc.?



How it is taught
in Reception



Phonics progression
throughout the year



How you can support
your child at home

Together we can build strong
reading foundations for their future



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New Reception Intake 2027

OPEN EVENING

Come and see what makes our school special!



Starting primary school is a significant milestone for your child's learning and development. Children usually start the reception year at primary school at the start of September following their fourth birthday.



Children born between
**1 September 2022 and
31 August 2023** will start primary
school from **September 2027**.



Parents need to apply for a
reception place by
15 January 2027.



You are strongly advised to
apply to **four local schools**
including your nearest or catchment
area school. You can use our [Catchment Area
School Finder Tool](#) to check which school
are your nearest or catchment area schools.



If a child has an Education,
Health and Care Plan (EHCP) the
application closing date is
31 October 2026.



Please read the [Guide to Primary
School Admissions](#) booklet for more
information on the process of applying
for a primary school place and to understand
how places are offered.

Our Open Evening Dates



Wednesday
16th September
at 3:30pm



Wednesday
14th October
at 3:30pm



Wednesday
18th November
at 3:30pm



Wednesday
9th December
at 3:30pm



For further information, please contact
the school office on **01952 387250**

We look forward
to meeting you!



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FREE
COURSE

POSITIVE MINDSET FOR CHILDREN

Monday 21st September

- Monday 19th October

(5 weeks)

9:00 - 11:00 am

- ★ Understand Child behaviours and emotions
- ★ Mindfulness strategies
- ★ Breathing techniques
- ★ Gratitude jars
- ★ Encouraging calm during stressful moments
- ★ Free refreshments

To register for this course please scan QR code.
Call 01952 382888 for support in registering.

