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HEADTEACHER MESSAGE

I hope everyone has had a good week. It has been another busy week in school, with lots of fantastic learning taking place across all year groups. It was lovely to welcome several Year 4 pupils to my office this morning to share their latest piece of writing. They had been writing instructions on how to make a fruit salad, and I was extremely impressed by the quality of their work. Their handwriting was particularly neat, and it was clear that they had tried their best.

This year, pupils are collecting their final pieces of writing from each unit of work in a golden book that will travel with them as they move through the school. This will provide both pupils and teachers with a valuable opportunity to look back and celebrate the progress that has been made over time.

Finally, it has been wonderful to see pupils so excited to begin their music lessons with In Harmony again this week. Hearing the sounds of the orchestra around school has been a lovely reminder of the opportunities our pupils are fortunate to experience.

THINGS HAPPENIGN THIS WEEK

Monday 5th October: Start of In Harmony week 2
Friday 9th October: Full governors meeting

Sports competitions this way (not all pupils involved)

Tuesday 6th October: Key Stage 2 Cross Country

ATTENDANCE

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

RG, 12B, 1J, 1L, 2FC, 34P, 3C, 3F, 4S, 5C, 5F, 6HW, and 6P.

A special well done to 3C and 6P who had the joint highest attendance across the school this week. The attendance trophy is on its way to you!

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*

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

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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October '26

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December '26

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January '27

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February '27

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March '27

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April '27

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May '27

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June '27

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July '27

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August '27

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Holidays
Staff PD Day (school is closed to pupils)

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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 05.10.26 WEEK 3

V Vegetarian
Vg Vegan
H Halal

Week 1

Monday
Pizza Bar – Cheese and Tomato V or Chicken Pizza *with a selection of toppings*
Cheese and Tomato Pizza V
Jacket Wedges, Baked Beans, Garden Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, Wholemeal Bread
Cookie Selection

Tuesday
Chicken Dunkers *Farm Assured Chicken coated in Natural Breadcrumbs served with a choice of Sauces*
Tomato and Quorn Pasta Bake *Quorn pieces, and Pasta in a Chef's Tomato Sauce* V
Diced Potatoes, Sweetcorn, Broccoli, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread
Iced Sponge and Custard

Wednesday
Pasta and Jacket Potato Day *with a selection of fillings including* Bolognaise, Cheese and Beans V
Quorn Bolognaise *Mixed vegetables and Quorn in a Chef's Rich Tomato Sauce* V
Jacket Potato, Sweetcorn, Garden Peas, Big Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread
Chocolate Sponge and Custard

Thursday
Spaghetti Bolognaise *Farm Assured Minced 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* V
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* V
Chips, Couscous, Baked Beans, Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread
Chefs' choice of Dessert

FUN FOOD FACT
Ripe cranberries bounce like rubber balls.

Week 2

Monday
Pizza Bar – Cheese and Tomato V or Chicken Pizza *with a selection of toppings*
Cheese and Tomato Pizza V
Pasta Twists, Roasted Sweet Potato, Seasonal Vegetable Selection, Big Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread
Chocolate Shortbread

Tuesday
Sausage Rolls *Farm Assured Sausage Meat encased in Puff Pastry*
Tomato and Quorn Pasta Bake *Seasonal Vegetables, Quorn and Pasta in a Chef's Tomato Sauce* V
Jacket Wedges, 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* Bolognaise, Cheese and Beans V
Vegetable and Bean *Seasonal Vegetables, Mixed Beans in a Chef's Tomato Sauce* V
Jacket Potato, Sweetcorn, Garden Peas, Big Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread
Ice Cream

Thursday
Beef Burger *Farm Assured Minced Beef Burger with a Cheese Slice in a Soft Bread Roll*
Vegetarian Burger *with a Cheese Slice in a Soft Bread Roll* V
Potato Smiles, Seasonal Vegetable Selection, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread
Chocolate Sponge and Custard

eatwell
The Eatwell project supports the Let's Dine ethos by cooking healthy, simple ingredients with the children.

Friday
Battered Fish *White fillet of Fish coated in a Light Batter*
Cheese Bake *Creamed Potato and Grated Cheese topped with Sliced Tomato* V
Chips, Couscous, Baked Beans, Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, Wholemeal Bread
Cookie Selection

Week 3

Monday
Pizza Bar – Cheese and Tomato V or Chicken Pizza *with a selection of toppings*
Cheese and Tomato Pizza V
Potato Smiles, Baked Beans, Garden Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread
Cookie Selection

Tuesday
Chicken Nuggets *Farm Assured Chicken coated in a light batter and served with a Sauce* or Sweet 'n' Sour Chicken *Farm Assured Chicken in a Chef's Sweet n Sour Sauce*
Quorn Dunkers *Quorn pieces coated in a light batter and served with a Sauce* V
Boiled Rice, Jacket Wedges, Sweetcorn, Broccoli, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread
Iced Sponge and Custard

Wednesday
Pasta and Jacket Potato Day *with a selection of fillings including* Bolognaise, Cheese and Beans V
Quorn Bolognaise *Mixed Vegetables and Quorn in a Chef's Rich Tomato Sauce* V
Jacket Potato, Seasonal Vegetable Selection, Big Seasonal Salad Selection, Wholemeal Bread
Fruit Cheesecake

Thursday
Chicken Curry *Farm Assured Chicken in a Chef's Curry Sauce* or Meatballs *Farm Assured Pork Meatballs served with a Rich and Tasty Tomato Sauce or Gravy*
Mixed Bean and Vegetable Curry *in a Chef's Curry Sauce* V
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* V
Chips, Couscous, Baked Beans, Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, Wholemeal Bread
Cook's Choice of Dessert

FUN FOOD FACT
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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Old Park Primary School and Nursery

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A great start to a brighter future!

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.**

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

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.

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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YOU'RE INVITED

YEAR 6 OPEN EVENING

Come and see how Telford Park has changed

1. A brand-new Year 7 building- a home base just for Year 7
2. Becoming Telford Park- our transition programme that builds confidence and belonging from day one
3. Outstanding Parent & Student Feedback on this years Transition Offer

OPEN EVENING

Monday 12 October · 5:00–8:00pm

The Telford Park School

WIN BEFORE YOU EVEN START!

Scan to enter for your chance to win:

- A full Year 7 uniform package
- A family food hamper

Simple. Free. Takes less than 60 seconds.

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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.

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