

Last weekend was a wonderful experience for some of our Year 6s. Robin Wood gave the children some super memories and allowed the children to face some of their fears. They were so brave.

F1 have had a lovely week, we have been busy making Christmas crafts to decorate the Nursery, and have sent our letter off to father Christmas to tell him what we would like for Christmas and that we have been on the good list.

Leopards have been reading and writing about oceans and sea life. We're enjoying SumDog too!

Year 5 Lions have been working on decimals in maths - now we can read, write and compare numbers with 3 decimal places! We have been writing our own stories based on The Highwayman poem and have been learning about Dick Turpin, the notorious highwayman.

This week year 3 flamingos have been working on time in maths. Please practise at home and keep asking us the time!! In writing we have been writing non-chronological reports about extinct animals and in topic we have been learning about the Bronze Age.

We are showcasing our Topic work in classes. Please come along & have a look.

Foundation Stage: Wednesday 6th December

Year 1 and 2: Thursday 7th December

Year 3 and 4: Wednesday 6th December

Year 5 and 6: Tuesday 5th December

In F2 this week we have been very busy practising our nativity play. If your child has a speaking part please help them to learn their words. We have also been working hard to make some crafts to sell at our 'F2 Showcase' next week. This will take place next Wednesday 6th December, 2 - 2.30pm, when we will perform one of our class stories and you can find out more about the learning that has taken place this term. Thank you for your continued support.

Year 2 have been working hard writing instructions on how to look after a Gruffalo. Have you ever wondered how to look after a Gruffalo? Just ask us how! We've also been working hard on creating our own books ready for our topic showcase. We can't wait to show you.

This week Year 1 have been learning how to look after the Gruffalo's child. What do you think we need? Ask us what we have included in our writing. We have also been working hard to prepare for our topic showcase - we can't wait to see all of you there. Please don't forget nativity costumes need to be in as soon as possible!

Year 4 Toucans have spent a lot of time this week planning for our Topic showcase and have really enjoyed learning new information on Stone Age. We have also been covering data handling in maths looking directly at bar graphs and line graphs. Please remember that homework books are due in on Thursday.

Year 3/4 Macaws have been working hard with getting ready for our showcase. We can't wait to show you everything we have done! Please continue to read at home. This will help your child with their writing too in school.

Safeguarding – e-safety

Please take time to look at these useful links to help keep your child safe online

<http://ceop.police.uk/>

<http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk>

<http://www.childnet.com/>

<http://www.netSMART.org/Safety/SafetyTips>

<http://www.kidSMART.org.uk/>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/topics/stay-safe>

Anti-extremism and radicalisation website -

<http://www.educateagainsthate.com>

Thank you for your continued feedback. As The Parks Academy strives to ensure achievement for all: working in partnership with our families to enable learners to develop emotionally, socially and academically within a safe and secure environment. Mr Irving holds regular Parent Voice meetings. Staff are available to answer questions or queries and Mr Irving is usually on the yard before and after school. Please feel free to come and speak to us.



Round up of the week....

A year ago today The Parks was officially recognised by Ofsted as being a Good school, for the first time ever. One year on and we are all working so hard towards our next goal, to be Outstanding.

We need your help.

Please make sure your child comes to school on time, every day.

Please make sure all homework is completed by Thursday and is well presented.

Full uniform please - black shoes or boots.



Whole School Attendance

92%

Every School Day
COUNTS

Please take your holi-
days during one of the
13 weeks pupils have
off each year.

Dates for your diary

8th December	Christmas Fair
12th December	Y1 & Y2 Christmas Play 10am & 2pm
13th December	Foundation Nativity 10am & 2pm
14th December	Christmas Dinner
15th December	Christmas Service at Church
20th December	Last day of school & Christmas Jumper Day
8th January	Back to school

Attendance Matters ...

If Mrs Adamson can help in any way to help reduce lateness and attendance at school. Mrs Adamson has lots of resources that can help, sticker charts, reward charts, help and advice. Please contact her. Also remember the walking bus leaves Limedane at 8.00am everyday.



Star of the Week

- F1 Caterpillars: Colby B
- F2 Butterflies: Alyssa M
- Y1 Otters: Summer R
- Y1 Seals: Reece D
- Y2 Polar Bears: Abdulmalik N
- Y2 Penguins: Tyler B
- Y3 Flamingos: Myla P
- Y3/4 Macaws: Ellen C
- Y4 Toucans: Patrick H
- Y5 Lions: Macey W
- Y5/6 Leopards: Nicola S
- Y6 Tigers: Declan W



97% Y4 Toucans & Y5 Lions



95% Y2 Polar Baers

94% - Y3/4 Macaws

93% - Y2 Penguins

90% - Y1 Seals



89% - Y5/6 Leopards & Y6 Tigers

88% - Y1 Otters

86% - Y3 Flamingos