

Park Gate Primary School News

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Dear Parents,

With Christmas Performances not far away, I wanted to clarify that the performances will be ticket only and this will be limited to 2 tickets per child. We will therefore limit audience numbers to 60 and will distance seats in pairs. In light of Covid-19, we have taken this approach to keep parents and staff as safe as possible.

It has been a joy this week to see so many children attending after school clubs. I hope they are enjoying the different activities.

Kind regards
Lindsay McCarthy Headteacher

Road Safety Week Competition 15th—21st November

Road Safety week runs from 15th to 21st November and this year Brain Injury Group (BIG) are running a competition to help raise awareness of road safety amongst children. Road traffic accidents are one of the major causes of brain injury. BIG's mission is to provide anyone affected by brain injury with expert legal, financial and welfare services. Children are being asked to be creative – and to design a poster, a model or a short story about their very own road safety superhero and how they keep people safe on the roads.

Clarke Willmott Solicitors will submit pupil entries to the BIG national competition on our behalf for a chance for the children to win a national prize, but in addition they will be offering prizes for the top three entries they receive. Prizes will be Amazon vouchers, £75 for first place, £50 for second place and £25 for third place.

Entries can be photographs of the design emailed to Philip.Edwards@clarkewillmott.com, the closing date is 12th November 2021. Winners will be announced on 19th November. All entries may be used on the websites for Clarke Willmott and BIG featuring the child's first name and age. Good luck!



Christmas Performances for Years R, 1 and 2

A reminder of the dates for your diary.



Year R Willow Class	Thursday 9th December at 9.30am
Year R Chestnut Class	Friday 10th December at 9.30am
Year 1 Apple Blossom Class	Tuesday 7th December at 2pm
Year 1 Cherry Blossom Class	Wednesday 8th December at 2pm
Year 2 Lime Class	Tuesday 7th December at 9.30am
Year 2 Holly Class	Wednesday 8th December at 9.30am



#Your Time To Shine & Children In Need— Friday 19th November

We are inviting the children to come into school on Friday 19th November in their brightest clothes to raise awareness of road safety as the nights become darker earlier. This coincides with Children In Need, so are asking for a suggested donation of 50p/£1 to help decorate our Be Bright, Be Seen Pudsey Bear. There will be a competition for children to complete at home to design a t-shirt to promote being bright at night. This will come home today.



Change of Shoes for PE Days

On PE Days, please can children bring a change of shoes and socks in a carrier bag. We do still use the field when we can and this will avoid the children sitting in wet shoes for the rest of the day. Thank you.



Congratulations to our Values Ambassadors of the Week!

It gives me great pleasure to announce our Values Ambassadors...

Willow Class – **Evangeline**...*Kindness*...for going above and beyond to be a kind friend to everyone.

Chestnut Class – **Ariana**...*Achievement*...being a superstar in phonics, learning g, o, c.

Apple Class – **Everly**...*Trust & Kindness*...for always being the kindest friend to everyone.

Cherry Class – **Elouise**...*Excellence*...for an amazing Goldilocks wanted poster.

Lime Class – **Everyone!**...*Achievement*...what a busy week. We have all achieved our very best. Well done!

Holly Class – **Ella**...*Trust*...always following instructions and being ready to learn.

Cedar Class – **Zane**...*Resilience*...building on his knowledge of counting backwards with a positive attitude.

Silver Birch Class – **Scarlett**...*Excellence*...fantastic drama portraying the lives of 'hunters and gatherers' in the Stone Age.

Hazel Class – **Erin**...*Excellence*...a magical description of a volcano using similes.

Yew Class – **Olivia**...*Excellence*...fantastic use of rich vocabulary and figurative language to describe Iceland.

Year 5—**Everyone!**... *Growth & Excellence*... if you were at Stubbington or at school, you were truly incredible!

Sycamore Class – **Alfie-Lee**...*Partnership*... infectious enthusiasm about space and sharing this with his classmates.

Juniper Class – **Jake**...*Aspiration*... amazing enthusiasm and great listening skills all week. Keep it up!

Maple Class – **Ethan**...*Kindness*...for being so helpful with the younger children in Chess Club.

Oak Class – **Eva**...*Excellence*...outstanding involvement in all lessons. You are a superstar.



Dates	Events
Monday 15th November 2021	Year 3 Visit to Butser Ancient Farm
Friday 19th November 2021	#Your Time To Shine Day with Children In Need—Non uniform BRIGHT clothes
Thursday 2nd December 2021 3.00pm—4.00pm	Open classrooms for parents to view books
Friday 3rd December 2021	Non-Uniform Day for Raffle Prizes
Tuesday 7th December 2021 9.30am	Year 2 Christmas Show for Lime Class
Tuesday 7th December 2021 2pm	Year 1 Christmas Show for Apple Blossom Class
Wednesday 8th December 2021 9.30am	Year 2 Christmas Show for Holly Class
Wednesday 8th December 2021 2pm	Year 1 Christmas Show for Cherry Blossom Class
Thursday 9th December 2021 9.30am	Yr R Christmas Show for Willow Class
Thursday 9th December 2021 (time TBC)	Christmas Raffle (virtual)
Friday 10th December 2021 9.30am	Year R Christmas Show for Chestnut Class
Friday 10th December 2021	Secret's Room (a chance for children to purchase a gift for someone at home)
Monday 13th December 2021 3.30pm	Christmas Choir Performance to parents/grandparents
Tuesday 14th December 2021	Non-Uniform Day for House with winning house points
Tuesday 14th December 2021 6pm	Carol Service
Wednesday 15th December 2021	Christmas Jumper Day (or a festive addition to non-uniform)
Friday 17th Dec 2021	Last Day of Term