

Parkhill Junior School

May 2023

Newsletter 9

Article 12: Every child has the right to have say, in all matters affecting them.

French Phrase: Il fait du soleil – the sun is shining

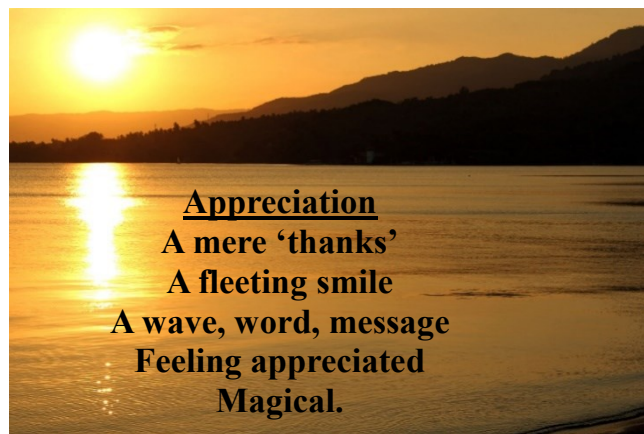
Dear Parents and Carers

We are now full steam ahead, in the last term of this academic year. End of Key Stage 2 SATs are over and our Year 6 learners did us all proud, with their mature, responsible and calm conduct, throughout the test week. Equally, our Year 3, 4 and 5 children were immensely respectful throughout the week, moving silently (instead of quietly!) through the school, during test times. Well done to everyone!

Outdoor learning has been one of our key priorities this year. A priority that will continue into 2023-24. Whether the weather permits or not, children will enjoy learning, in the great outdoors, in the ensuing weeks. Creating memorable learning experiences ensure that we build, advance and progress our learning. It also promotes our social and cultural capital. At Parkhill Junior School, our *High Performance Learning* approach, incorporates all of this, to create an ethos and wonderland of learning, where each and every individual, achieves success. Their own unique success.

Enjoy Learning!

Mrs D. Hughes-Mulhall
Headteacher

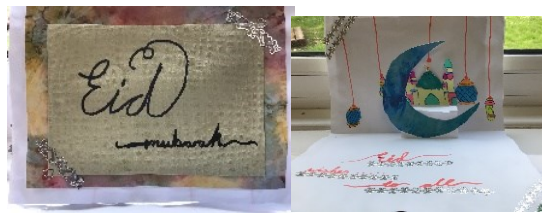


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Safeguarding

If you have any concerns about a child's safety or wellbeing, please act on it. School is here to help and support. We all share the responsibility of safeguarding children.

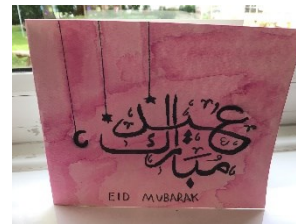
Safeguarding Lead	Mrs D. Hughes-Mulhall Headteacher
Safeguarding Deputy	Ms G. Uppal Deputy Headteacher
Safeguarding Deputy	Mrs N. Tanner Deputy Headteacher/SENCO
Safeguarding Officer	Ms N. Reeves School Business Lead
Safeguarding Officer	Ms N. Sprenger Learning Community Lead



Congratulations to the wonderful winner of our Eid card competition – Inayah Maryam, 5D!



In sensational second place....Rumaysa, 6A.



...and in terrific third place – Zariyah, 4A.



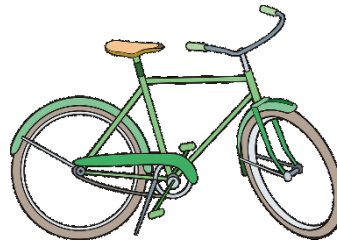
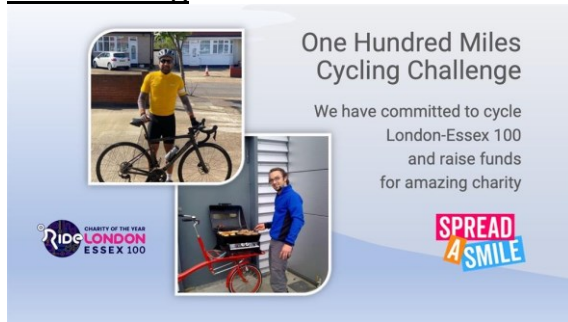
The Parkhill Coronation Celebration was a joyous, entertaining and unforgettable affair. Parkhill was bursting at the seams with royalty, for the day! The talent and sheer genius of our learners, evident in our Crown Competition, were spectacular! Our Coronation Banquet was simply sumptuous.



This winning crown was designed by, Sayuni 3G



Fundraising



One of our wonderful parents and his colleague, have committed to cycle a 100-mile bike ride to raise funds for [SpreadASmile](https://www.spreadasmile.org/). This event [ridelondon-essex-100](https://www.ridelondon-essex-100.com/) takes place on, **Sunday 28th May 2023**.

Spread a Smile is an amazing organisation that brings joy and laughter to seriously ill children and teenagers, during their hospital stay. Every donation counts - no matter how small - and will make a real difference to the lives of children and teenagers going through tough times.

To contribute to the *just giving* page, click on the link below.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/harpal-miro>

Birthday and all other Celebrations

We all love birthdays and want to share the joy of this special day with friends, at school! Should you wish your child to give a gift to their class, please ensure that it is not any type of food.



We have many children with severe nut allergies. Please ensure that any snacks and packed lunches do not contain nuts or nut products. (Always check the label)

Attendance and Punctuality

With your support, we work hard to ensure that our young learners hold high, the value and importance of both. Core values instilled at this stage of their education, remain with them as they grow into citizens of the world and of the future.

**‘A day away from Parkhill, is a day lost.’
Miss education... and you miss out!
This half term attendance champions are: 6C and 4N
Well done!**

**‘A minute late for Parkhill, is a minute wasted!’
Every second counts!
This half term punctuality champions are: 3G, 3O and 6S
Well done!**



Absences before or after a school holiday

If your child is absent before or after a school holiday, you must provide evidence explaining the absence. This may be medical evidence if your child is unwell or evidence of flight delays or circumstances beyond your control. **Without this evidence, you risk being issued with a penalty notice.**

Health and Safety

We encourage all our children to walk, scoot or cycle to school. Minimising the volume of traffic around the school is our ongoing challenge. We need your continued support with this. Please do not park on the yellow zig zag lines or across the driveways of local residents.

At the top of our list of priorities, is the safety of our children.

Pollution outside the school is increased by the number of vehicles bringing children to school. We receive daily notices, on behalf of the Mayor of London, reporting pollution levels in the area. This is a serious problem. Equally, speeding cars have put children's lives at risk too often. Thank you to all who do walk to school. **You make a difference.**

Communication with our Learning Community

It is crucial that we have your up-to-date contact details i.e. mobile number and email address. All letters and messages are sent via email. You risk missing important information if School has not been given accurate details.

Appointments

It is timely to point out that dental appointments, optician appointments and GP appointments must be booked, outside school hours. **Appointments booked during school time will be unauthorised.** Hospital appointments, with supporting evidence, are routinely authorised.

Thinking of Employing a Private Tutor?

Please visit the website below for more information and guidance.

<https://www.redbridgescp.org.uk/parents-carers-and-the-public/private-tuition/>

Online Safety

On more than one occasion, it has come to our attention that, without their parents' knowledge, children are using chatrooms social media platforms and other forums to communicate. We cannot emphasise enough, the danger of this or any unsupervised online activity. We send you a monthly online safety newsletter to advise you about the risks and dangers that our children face. Please ensure that you know what your child is doing at all times, when they are online.

PLEASE GO TO OUR WEBSITE TO SEE THE SUPPORT MECHANISMS AVAILABLE TO YOU, FOR THE ONLINE SAFETY OF YOUR CHILD

Our Website – www.parkhilljunior.com

Important dates, information and so much more can be found on our website. Please pay regular visits. Updates are frequent and feature aspects of our school curriculum and daily school life.

Year 3

Although the sun is always shining at Parkhill Junior School, we are especially excited to be entering the summer season as our high performance learners are blooming like flowers! Read on to find out more ...

Science – Outdoor Learning

In preparation for our next science unit of plants, and to celebrate Outdoor Learning Day, the children planted some vegetables. Hopefully, we will be able to see them grow and complete a plant diary carrying out observations. *“I have enjoyed planting because I am excited to watch them slowly grow and I enjoy learning outside.” Zuha, 3C.*



The King’s Coronation

We joined the rest of the country and we celebrated the coronation of King Charles III. We had a picnic in class and we spent an afternoon designing invitations, thrones and crowns. Congratulations to Sayuni in 3G who won the crown competition.

“I enjoyed doing fun activities to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III; we had a lovely picnic and it made me feel proud.” Sayuni 3G

English

Our text this term is called ‘Aztec Attack’; a story all about Aztecs! The children have been learning about the Aztecs and have created information posters about Aztec Warriors. We are now in the process of writing an alternative ending to the story – the last part of the story includes a sacrifice! The children have been role playing their stories to help them with the vocabulary and creating tension in the story.

“I have really enjoyed understanding the story through role play, it has really helped me understand the feelings and motives of each character.” – Abinaash 3O



Reminders

- *Please ensure you read with your child every day at home for 10 minutes, and fill in their reading record
- *Please remember to bring in your PE kits every Monday, and take them home to be washed on Friday.
- *Homework is sent out every Friday on Google Classroom and it is to be completed by Wednesday
- *All children should remember to bring in their ocarina to school every day, in order to take part in their music lessons.

Well done everyone and always remember to **Enjoy Learning!**
Mrs Ozkan, Mrs Palmer, Ms Castell and Ms Gay.

Year 4

We have celebrated the King Charles III's coronation, made stretchy slime, and we are continuing with our outdoor learning, what an exciting month! Read on...to find out what new things, we have been discovering!

PSHE

In PSHE lessons, we have been learning about how money matters. Now, we understand the importance of managing our money.

"You should spend your money on the things you need like food and water. You should save money instead of wasting money because you will need it on rainy days."

Amelia and Hannah - 4N



Coronation Day

Parkhill Junior participated in various activities to mark the coronation of King Charles III.

"It was very fun celebrating the King's coronation, especially when we got to make our own crowns. The best part of our coronation celebrations was when we had a royal picnic in our classroom." Kimoyo - 4H

History - The Anglo-Saxons and Vikings

This term is all about invaders and settlers. We have researched that they originated from Scandinavian countries and that they travelled to other countries in order to gain riches and wealth. In English, we are reading a book called 'Beowulf.' The main character fought for his country and for his king.

"I've learnt how to write a persuasive speech, and it taught me how they used emotive language, powerful vocabulary and phrases to persuade his warriors to fight against the monstrous Grendel." Shanaya - 4DO



Science - Living things and their habitats

We are studying about the different microhabitats and we have explored the different bugs/insects found within our playgrounds. We have learnt about food chains and how they are classified by using a branching key. We will also be learning about how evolving environment is can affect habitats and the food chain. *I have learnt about worms, and how they are very important to our environment because when the leaves fall, the worms will mix them in our soil.*

Yusef - 4A

I really enjoyed playing with the slime. At first it was very sticky but when I kept on playing with it, it was very good. I really enjoyed learning how slime is made! Shariya- 4A

MTC will take place in the month of June so please continue to practise your multiplication facts.

Keep up the marvellous work. Enjoy Learning!

Mrs De Oliveira, Ms Nayak, Mrs Ahsan and Mr Hansen.

Year 5

It has been an exciting start to the summer term. Year 5 continue to demonstrate risk-taking and resilience in their learning. Read on to find out about the diverse learning experiences of the term, so far.

Coronation celebrations in Year 5!

Our rights respecting pupils rose to the occasion in order to participate in the celebrations for the King's Coronation. As you can see, we had an assortment of Royal attire, crowns and bright colours to reflect the spectacular and exciting event.

"The Coronation was a very special and important day. Everyone enjoyed themselves, especially when all of the children completed Coronation activities, like making a royal crown and having a lovely, royal picnic."

Andrey and Dhilani, 5H

"We really enjoyed taking part in the Coronation poems competition because we enjoy writing poems as it's a way to express ourselves"

Fatima and Leyla, 5R



PE – Super Swimmers!

It has been tremendous to see the enthusiasm of the children, as they engage in the important life skill of swimming. Taking responsibility for remembering the clothing required to take part, respectfully conducting themselves in a public space and representing themselves and Parkhill

Junior School with pride as they listen and carry out instructions, attentively. Already, there has been remarkable progress with children learning to swim competently and others progressing into the next swimming stage. Magnificent, Year 5!

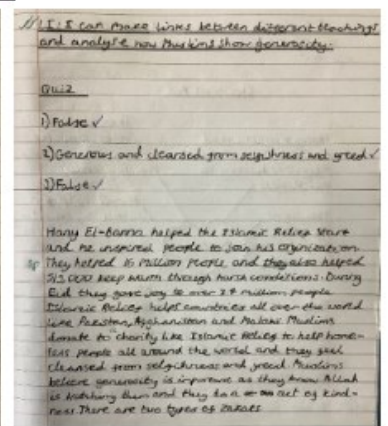
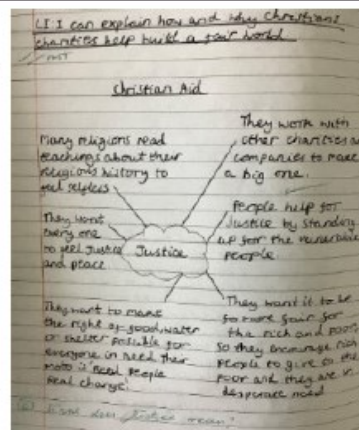
"Swimming is a new experience for many children. The coaches are always trying to help us get better with our swimming skills and techniques." *Rayaan, Myheda and Rhoop, 5D*

RE - What does a 'fair world' mean?

We have been exploring the theme of justice and fairness, relating to our personal experiences. Children have discussed how religions play a part in promoting fairness and justice in the world.

"We have been learning about how religion can help us to understand how to live in a fair world." *Aarlin, 5T*

"We have been learning about what justice and fairness" means." *Adam, 5T*



Reminders

Swimming- Continue to ensure that the correct attire is brought along for your swimming lessons (maybe even bring along two swimming hats in case one splits!). **PE –** We do still have our outdoor lessons. Therefore, ensure you also remember that you bring your full PE kit each week! See the school website for reminders of correct PE uniform.

Reading Records – Children, you are responsible for ensuring that you regularly record your daily reading to reflect on your ideas and opinions about both your fiction and non fiction books. **Homework -** This homework is provided to reinforce the children's learning and understanding, please ensure that homework set on Google Classroom is completed each week.

Keep up the fantastic work. Enjoy Learning!
Ms. Habib, Mr Da Costa, Ms. Trimmer and Ms. Rahman



Year 6



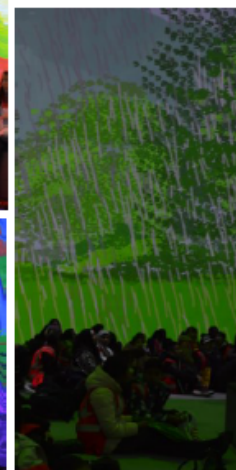
Our Year 6 children have shown their resilience and commitment to learning, both in the run up to their SATs and during the SATs week. Well done, Year 6! You have demonstrated many qualities of high performance learning, including hard-working and perseverance. Truly inspiring!

Art

Our visit to the Lightroom was an unforgettable experience which took us on an immersive journey, through the eyes of the artist, David Hockney. The clever use of sound and large-scale projections enabled us to look closely at his artwork and understand how he used his skills to create layers and texture. Later in the summer term, we will use this knowledge to produce our own Hockney-inspired work, of our local area.

“I liked the visit to the Lightroom because the artwork was vibrant and I felt like I was in it.”

Rihanna, 6C



Coronation Celebration

To celebrate the coronation of King Charles III, we took part in a range of creative, cultural activities such as designing a crown or a throne, to reflect today's Britain. The celebration day culminated in a picnic which was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

“I really enjoyed the activities, particularly making a crown and the dressing up- it really raised the mood.” Muhammed, 6G

“During our coronation activities, I gained a better understanding of British history and the diversity of modern Britain.” Viraj, 6A

Dance

Over the past few weeks, we have been privileged to have a specialist dance instructor, teaching us different dance styles including street dance and afrobeat. This has helped us develop our coordination, confidence and creativity.

“I am enjoying dance lessons because I realise I have different talents.” Ali, 6S

“It gives people the courage and confidence to know that anyone can dance.” Amar, 6S



Reminders

Homework is due in every Wednesday and the spelling test is on Friday. English, maths and spelling are on *Doodle*. Please complete the Frayer model on *Google Classroom* as this will help to develop your vocabulary. Battles are set on TTRS, on a weekly basis <https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student>.



Keep up the fantastic work. Enjoy Learning!
Ms Castellanos, Mrs Simms, Mr Forbes and Mrs Ward.

CALENDAR OF LEARNING AND CELEBRATION

(Additional dates are routinely added)

26th May 2023	Professionals Training Day School closed to children
29th May 2023	Bank Holiday
30th May to 2nd June 2023	Summer Half Term Holiday
5th to 9th June 2023	Arts Week
12th to 16th June 2023	 My Money Week Enterprise Day (Friday)
16th June 2023	Number Day (Dress-up Day)
19th to 23rd June 2023	Active and Healthy Eating Week
21st June 2023	Sports Day (If the weather is not on our side, 23rd June 2023 will be our contingency date, for Sports Day)
7th July 2023	Culture Day (non-uniform day) Summer Fayre
10th July 2023	Last Week of Clubs for Summer Term
14th July 2023	Summer Day – staying safe in the sun (Non uniform day)
24th July 2023	Summer Holiday Begins... ... and not a day sooner!
6th September 2023	First Day Back to School for the academic year 2023-24

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Redbridge Foster Carers share what it is like to be part of the Redbridge Fostering Community and caring for the Borough's most vulnerable children as part of the Foster Care Fortnight #FosteringCommunities campaign. Take a look at what our foster carers say <https://youtu.be/4rnBZ3Ypqbl>

If you have a place in your heart and home to foster, please call us on 020 8708 6068 or email fostering@redbridge.gov.uk or join us on our next virtual information session on 19 May 2023 at 10am to 11am. Visit <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/foster-for-redbridge-coffee-morning-190523-10-11am-tickets-560846265277> to book a place

Finally.....can you spot Mrs Ozkan, in the Parkhill Garden?!!

