

PARNWELL NEWS

Message from the Head teacher:

The children have been very focussed this week and have worked really hard in test week. Well done and you all deserve a restful weekend. Thank you to everyone that joined in for Sport Relief and donated money for this worthy charity. We will provide an update on the money raised. The school continues to follow the government advice on Coronavirus and guidelines from the Trust. Contingency plans are in place should the school be closed unexpectedly. Please ensure we have your most up-to-date contact details.

Corona Virus

The Department for Education has launched a new helpline to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education and early years. Staff, parents and young people can contact the helpline as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk

Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)

For any questions regarding symptoms etc. **still call 111** or go to [111.nhs.uk](https://www.nhs.uk).

Student Update Forms:

Student Update forms will be sent home with all children. Please make sure your contact details are up-to-date.

Dinner menu:

On Monday 16 March 2020 we start week 1 of our [school dinner menu](#)

Updates from the classroom:

Mr Maddren and Ms Dummigan would like to say a big well done to all of the year 6s this week, as they have been working hard on their practice end of year 6 tests. Enjoy a break at the weekend - you deserve it!

Attendance Congratulations

Classes with 96% and above:

RJS, 1DG, 4YS, 5AA and 6LD

Celebrating Punctuality

Lowest number of late marks

KS1 – 1TW

KS2 – 6TM

Travelling Book Fair:

Don't forget that our Travelling Books Book Fair runs from Tuesday 17th - Monday 23rd March. It will be held after school each day, in the dance studio. It is a great opportunity to browse and buy some great children's books, many at competitive prices. And buying books from the book fair also helps the school to earn rewards to spend on books for the children to enjoy in school.

Upcoming events:

17-23 March	Travelling Book Fair
27 March	Rock Steady end of term concert
30 March	Choir to sing in assembly
	Year 2 SATs meeting
1 April	Reception and Year 2 ZooLab
3 April	Last day of term – 1:30 finish
20 April	Back to school
21 April	Year 3 visit to Flag Fen
27 April	Year 1 Phonics meeting
11-14 May	Year 6 SATs
15 May	Year 6 Fun day
18 May	Year 4 Flag Fen Trip
5 June	Year 6 start weekly swimming lessons

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School trips/experiences:

Reception and Year 2 children will take part in animal handling workshops with the company **ZooLab**. Reception will learn about habitats around the world, considering why and how animals have survived, and Year 2 will learn about how we classify different animals, discovering the differences and similarities between animals. Year 3 and 4 pupils will be visiting Flag Fen in the summer term as part of their topic work in class. Year 4 will take part in a pre-historic day where they will get to handle prehistoric objects, tour the site and listen to storytelling in the Bronze Age round house. Year 3 will take part in an indoor simulated archaeological dig using excavation tools to discover an Anglo-Saxon burial (using a replica skeleton) complete with grave goods learning how to interpret evidence, develop an understanding of chronology and get an insight into life in the past.

All trips/experiences cost £5. Payment can be made on ParentMail or by bank card at the school office.



Year 6 Fun Day

On the 15 May, we will be taking Year 6 to Inflatation, followed by an afternoon of sporting activities to celebrate the end of their SATs. Please make sure you fill in the permission form on ParentMail.

Recommended book of the week by Mr Maddren:

'Tales from Moominvalley' by Tove Jansson. I have chosen this book as it contains many spell-binding short stories set in the magical world of Moominvalley. One particular favourite of mine is 'Spring Tune', which I enjoy reading every spring. I would recommend this book to anyone of any age. It is funny, thought-provoking, dramatic and beautiful.

