

Park Hill News – Summer 2

Welcome to our Park Hill Newsletter.

Well, the academic year has gone by so quickly... and what a summer term we've had! We have been thinking about our REACH value of Respect this term. Our children have certainly showed respect around school. They have taken part in Sports Day, DT Week and performed in some class assemblies and some classes have had national tests. We're very proud of everyone's efforts this term!

Today, we say farewell to our Year 6 who are leaving us to go to high school. It's been a pleasure to see them grow into the wonderful young people that they are. We wish them all the luck in the world as they start their new journey. Remember: you can take the child out of Park Hill but you cannot take Park Hill out of the child!

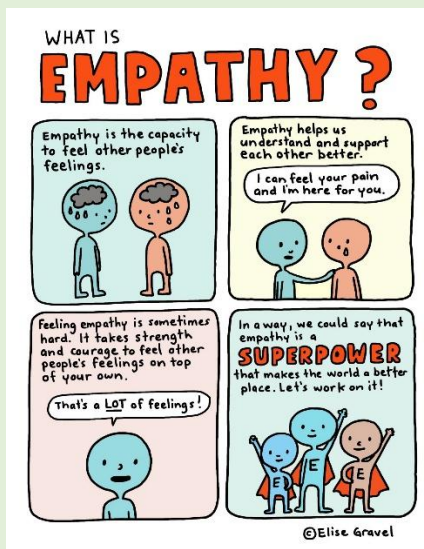
We also wish Mr Dingle lots of luck in his new job in Walsall. We'll miss him very much but know he'll be great!



Finally, thank you for all your support throughout this school year. As always, Park Hill families are the best!

Have a lovely, sunny summer. ☪ Mrs Logan and Mrs Boardman

Our next REACH value in September will be Empathy



We say a big thank you and a sad goodbye to Mr Dingle, who leaves Park Hill after nearly 21 years to teach Year 4 in Walsall.

We would like to say thank you for being a very valued member of staff and for all he has done for the children and families of Park Hill. Mr Dingle, you will be missed so very much.



Sports Day 2026

From the sprint to the egg-and-spoon race and the obstacle course to the sack race, PH children demonstrated resilience, encouragement and super sportsmanship! Thank you to families for helping us create a wonderful atmosphere: your cheers made it so much fun for us.

Well done to all of our participants and congratulations to **Cygnus** – 2026's winning house!







Year 5's Trip to London

At the beginning of July, we set off on our trip to London! On the way, we enjoyed a tour of the capital and spotted some of the most famous landmarks, including Buckingham Palace, Downing Street, The London Eye and, of course, Big Ben.

After touring the historic Houses of Parliament, Year 5 took part in a workshop where they learned how laws are formed. The children were a credit to us all: their behaviour, curiosity and engagement was excellent!





Science Workshops

We were treated to a fun-filled, fascinating day of Science with Mrs Faulkner, who kindly came from Wood Green Academy to run workshops with us.

We explored static electricity, convection and combustion with her in a thrilling assembly.

Then we got stuck in back in our classes. Some of us explored forces, some of us explored sound and some of us explored light. It was fantastic! Thank you, Mrs Faulkner!



Office News



Changes to Free School Meals

There will be major changes to Free School Meals from September 2026. Please read your letter carefully. This explains the changes and what you should do to continue to receive free school meals or how to apply. If you have any questions regarding the letter, please see Mrs Ffrench in the school office.

Data Collection Sheets

Pupil data collection sheets will be handed out to children the first week back in September. These are very important.

Please send your completed packs sent back into school by Friday 25th September. All packs received by this date will be added to our prize draw of 1x £10.00 voucher for Early Years and Key Stage 1 and 1 x £10.00 voucher for Key Stage 2.

Concerns During the Holidays If you need anything out of school hours, please email  office@parkhillprimary.co.uk  and someone will get back to you. If you are worried about a child out of school hours, please email NSPCC on  help@NSPCC.org.uk 



Dates for your Diary



September

3rd – Children return to school (Reception and Nursery children have staggered start dates)

16th – Forest School Club begins (selected children)

17th – Tri Golf / Archery Club begins

21st – 25th – Bikeability (Year 5)

25th – Macmillan Coffee morning/afternoon (more details to follow)

30th September – Key Stage 2 Residential

October

1st / 2nd – Key Stage 2 Residential

9th – School photographs

22nd – Break up for half term

23rd – INSET Day



PE and Forest School Days – September 2026

Please ensure your child is in the correct PE kit on their PE day: navy tracksuit or leggings, a navy jumper or hoody, a white t-shirt and plain black or white pumps / trainers. Children cannot take part in PE in crocs or any pumps that have a platform and long hair must be tied up. This is for health and safety reasons. Thank you.



PE

Nursery – Monday am

Reception – Monday am

Year 1 – Monday pm

Year 2 – Monday pm

Year 3 – Tuesday am

Year 4 – Tuesday am

Year 5 – Tuesday pm

Year 6 – Tuesday pm

Forest School

Nursery – Wednesday am

Reception – Wednesday am

Year 1 – Wednesday pm

Year 2 – Wednesday pm

Year 3 – Thursday pm

Year 4 – Thursday pm

Year 5 – Thursday am

Year 6 – Thursday am

Our School Governors

What a year it has been. We would like to thank our Park Hill families for the support you give to the school. It is so appreciated. Our Ofsted in January was very positive and staff and governors continue to make further improvements. It has been lovely to see Sport's Day, Reach and individual class assemblies, themed weeks and family workshops, just to mention a few. The family questionnaire was overall very positive and Mrs Logan and Mrs Boardman are busy taking on your feedback where they can. We value our staff at Park Hill and we know you would join us to thank them for their hard work and dedication to the children of Park Hill – thank you.

We would like to say a fond farewell to Mr Dingle who leaves Park Hill to be a Year 4 teacher in Walsall. We thank him for his dedication to Park Hill and the Governing Body and wish him every success. Good luck Mr Dingle and keep in touch!

Here are just some of our successes this year:

- Strong progress in Read Write Inc Phonics.
- Year 1 School Phonics Screening Check results.
- Successful and improved writing throughout the school.
- Improved handwriting and presentation.
- Year 6 Sats greatly improved and more Greater depth children.
- Behaviour and respect greatly improving around school.
- REACH values and class assemblies.
- PE, Forest School and Music provision.
- Strong Personal Development

We would like to wish Year 6 and those families leaving us, the very best for the future. Have a lovely summer holiday and look forward to welcoming our returning families back in September.



Park Hill Governing Board

