

# **Parkgate Primary School** Newsletter

## **Key Dates:**



Extra Bank Holiday Monday 19th September

Languages Day Monday 26th September

Year 2 Bike Day Wednesday 21st September

**National Poetry Week** WB 3<sup>rd</sup> October

**Firework Night** Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November

#### **Term Dates:**

#### Autumn Term Half Term:

Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October 2022

#### Term Ends:

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022

#### **Spring Term Term Starts:**

Wednesday 4th January 2023

For future dates please check the school website.

## **ParentPay**



Please ensure you are booking meals in advance of the day. After School Clubs will be available to sign up to next week.

## Wellbeing Thought of the Week

JUST ONE SMALL POSITIVE THOUGHT IN THE MORNING...

can change your whole day

## **Attendance**

At Parkgate Primary school we take attendance very seriously. By law all children of compulsory school age (5yrs to 18yrs) must receive full time education. This means that your child must attend every morning and every afternoon of every day for each school year.

Parents are requested to bring their children to the classroom door no later than 8.55am and collect promptly at 3.15pm.

Should you need to report an absence it is vitally important that you contact school by 9.00am to advise us why your child is absent. Please provide a clear explanation for the absence and not just unwell or poorly. Please keep the school informed each day of your child's absence.

Attendance target this year = 96+%

Please continue to contact the school office on 024 76637381 or use the Studybugs App to inform us if your child is absent, we do have an answering machine to take any missed calls.



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#### **European Day of Languages 2022**

On <u>Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September</u> all children in Years 1 up to 6 will be celebrating European Languages Day. Each year group will be finding out more about a country in Europe. Children can come to school in the colours of flag for their country if they wish:

Year 1 will be learning about England. Children can wear red and white clothes.

Year 2 will be learning about France. Children can wear red, white and blue clothes.

Year 3 will be learning about Spain. Children can wear red and yellow clothes.

**Year 4** will be learning about **Italy**. Children can wear red, green and white clothes.

Year 5 will be learning about Poland. Children can wear red and white clothes.

Year 6 will be learning about Germany. Children can wear red, black and yellow clothes.

During the day children will have different learning opportunities which may include developing geography skills, learning words in a different language, music, dance and art.

We are looking forward to a fun filled day!













## **Online Safety**



As a National Online Safety accredited school we have lots of resources around software and programs that children maybe using.

As parents you are able to sign up for these at https://lms.nationalonlinesafety.com/school/parkgateprimary

Some of our most recent pages that we have highlighted are available on our Facebook page.

### **Fundraising:**

Whilst we would love to be able to support all of the charities, we have to be realistic about how many we support through the year. Part of the reason for this is the financial expectation it can place on parents.

Whilst there are many well-advertised and supported charities e.g. Comic relief, Sport relief, Macmillan, to name but a few, as a school we try to consciously support the charities that are either close to home (in terms of location) or those that individuals have either accessed or whose relatives have needed their support. By purchasing fundraising items you are already supporting charities and as a school we have no issue with children wearing items in school, even if we have chosen to not actively fundraise ourselves.

Any in school fundraising is directly spent on the children. Our Firework Events, Summer Fair, Cake Sales etc, all provide much needed funds to enhance the school experience of children in a climate where school budgets continue to reduce.

Moving forward the School Council, with their peers, will discuss and decide upon our termly fundraising that they would like to participate in.

Opening the Gate to Success

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