



PARKSIDE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday 11th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another wonderful week in school and I would like to begin by thanking all of the parents and carers who attended our Meet the Teacher meetings this week. We hope that families found these meetings informative and a positive opportunity to get to know your child's class teacher and learn more about the year ahead.

If you were unable to attend your child's meeting, the presentation can be found on your child's class page.

I am delighted with how well the children have settled into their school routines. They have approached the new school year with enthusiasm and I am particularly proud of the valued behaviours I have seen demonstrated by pupils throughout the week. It has been wonderful to see children showing *kindness*, *resilience* and *inclusion* towards each other, staff and their learning.

SEND Parent and Carer Meetings

Next week, we will be holding our SEND parent and carer meetings. If this is relevant to your child, your child's class teacher will have contacted you to arrange an appointment after school one day next week. Mrs Williams has sent a letter to parents and carers explaining in more details about the purpose of these meetings.

Family Reading Morning

We are also very excited to announce that on Wednesday 16th September 2026, we will be holding our first Family Reading Morning for children in Key Stages 1 and 2.

Family Reading Morning is a lovely opportunity for you to come into school and share a story with your child. We hope that many families will be able to join us and enjoy this special time together.

After half term, our Early Years children will also be included in Family Reading Mornings. However, we wanted to give our youngest children a little more time to settle into school and become familiar with their new routines before joining us.

Celebration Assembly

Our Celebration Assembly will recommence on Wednesday 23rd September 2026. We look forward to coming together again to celebrate the achievements, successes and wonderful contributions of our pupils.

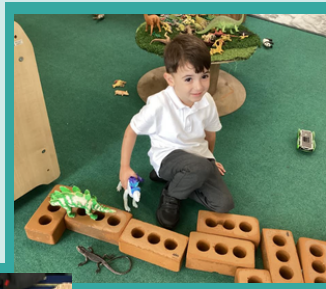
If your child is selected to receive a certificate during Celebration Assembly, you will receive an email from the school office inviting you to attend and celebrate this special achievement with them.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. It has been a fantastic start to the school year and I am incredibly proud of our children and the way they have embraced their first few weeks back at school.

Kind Regards,

Mrs May-Finnegan

Headteacher



Nurturing And Inspiring Young Minds Towards A Bright Future

Family Reading Morning

Share a story, grow a brighter tomorrow!



Wednesday
16th September 2026



8:30am - 9:00am

Parents and Carers are invited to join their child in their classroom to share a story with them.



The invitation is open to families of children in Key Stage 1 - 2.



Early Years children will be included after October half term.



If you have more than one child, please attend the classroom of your youngest child and older siblings will be sent down to the youngest sibling's class following registration.



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Upcoming Events

September

16th: 8:30am - Family Reading Morning

30th: 8:30am - 8:45am - Family Reading Morning

30th: 2:45pm - 3:10pm Reception Phonics and Reading Workshop

October

14th: 8:30am - 8:45am - Family Reading Morning

26th - 30th - Half Term Break - School Closed

November

11th: 8:30am - 8:45am - Family Reading Morning

25th: 8:30am - 8:45am - Family Reading Morning

December

9th: 8:30am - 8:45am - Family Reading Morning

10th: Christmas Jumper Day

10th: Christmas Dinner

18th: 1:15pm - End of Autumn Term



Year 2 Swimming

Year 2 attend swimming lessons every Tuesday 9:00 - 10:30. Pupils may arrive at school with their swimming kit underneath their uniform for ease of changing.

P.E.

Children should change for P.E. in school.

Pupils should bring their P.E. Kit into school in a bag and this will be stored in the cloakroom until the end of half-term. Kits will then be sent home to be washed.

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WRAP AROUND CARE

From 15th January 2026, school WrapAround Care will extend to 5.30pm

Art and crafts,
Board games,
Recreational Activities,
Sports and Cooking!

MONDAY TO FRIDAY
7:45 am – 8:30 am
3.15pm – 5.30pm

REGISTER TODAY
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