



# NEWSLETTER

Headteacher: Mrs Maria Whitehead

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023



Dear Parents,

This term is already flying by in a blur? Easter and Eid already feel like they were a long time ago! Last Friday saw Year 3 lead a lovely assembly for the Crowning of Mary and an introduction to the month of May, the month when we remember Mary, the mother of Jesus. Thank you to all the children for bringing flowers to lay before the statue of Mary. The children reminded us why our mothers are wonderful because they love us and care for us, just as Mary did for Jesus. How well year 3 did remembering their lines! We had so many beautiful flowers that we took some around to the nuns in Park Hill convent. We also put them around school.



We welcome some new pupils to school after Easter: Henry joined our Year 4 class and Margot joined Reception. They have already settled in and I know everyone will join me in welcoming their family into our school community. We also welcomed some children into our Pre-school: Tommy, Wren, Summer, Freddy A and Freddy C, Lilly and Hamza. It has been a pleasure getting to know them and they are all loving life in our EYFS. Welcome to them all!

Mrs Hannah and her husband had a trip to London this week as they were invited to a Garden Party at Buckingham Palace. Mr Hannah was invited in recognition of all his hard work as a volunteer for the Samaritans. They enjoyed it enormously and we are all very proud of them.



Next week Year 6 set off on their residential trip to Wales with Mrs Haasbroek and Miss Grillo. We know they will have great fun and make lasting memories.

We are all excited for the long weekend to celebrate the coronation of our King - so have a lovely time. Please send photos of any Coronation parties/ celebrations you have at home in to school so we can put them on our website and Facebook page.

Mrs Whitehead

## Family Friendly Friday

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May is our next Family Friendly Friday. Parents and grandparents are invited in to school for the afternoon. There will be coffee, tea and cakes available in the dining room from 2pm and then you are welcome to visit your child's class from 2.45pm, where they will share with you some of their learning from this term. Please enjoy this time with your child; it is not intended to be a mini-parents' evening, but an opportunity for the children to show you what they are enjoying in school. Please allow the class teacher to mingle with all visitors.

## Walking the mile during Lent for Fr Melaku's school

Please can all sponsor money be sent in for the sponsored walk which was our Lenten charity. All funds raised will be sent to Ethiopia to help fund the building of a school by Fr Melaku. The children were sent home with a slip before Easter which totalled the miles they had achieved during Lent.

Thank you

## Car Park

Please can we kindly ask that you drive slowly and safely in our carpark. We have received a complaint this week about cars blocking Padiham road when trying to turn right into the school entrance. Please can we ask for considerate driving at all times near or on school premises.

### Park Hill Platform

The summer edition of our school e-magazine will be available on the 19<sup>th</sup> June. I hope you all loved the first edition. If any parents would like to place an advert in the magazine, then please email the office and we can arrange that for you. If you have any ideas for articles you would like to appear in the magazine, please contact Mrs Whitehead.

### The Coronation of King Charles III

School blazed with red, white and blue today to celebrate the Coronation of our new king. The children had right royal fun doing lots of themed activities. We held a competition for the most regal crown and Mrs Goffee led us in a royal sing-a-long. That was followed by a Coronation quiz in our school houses. Year 1 then led a marvellous assembly about the king's coronation.

The Pre-school children were given a royal cupcake to take home, and commemorative Coronation badges were presented to children in Reception to Year 6. They can wear them with pride on their blazers next to their Platinum Jubilee badges.

We can now look forward to watching the real event tomorrow. Long Live the King! God save the King!



### Reception class September 2023

Children who are starting in our Reception class in September are enjoying some taster sessions during May and June. They enjoyed time in our Forest School area last week, and then this week saw them visit our Pre-school role play area: Park Hill Village. Watch out for more photos of their fun.



### PTA Events

Easter Egg Bingo family fun night was held in March and we are grateful to Mr Juriansz for hosting the event. We raised a super £505 for PTA funds. Thank you to all who supported the event.

The Easter Disco and stalls raised £555 for PTA funds. The children had great fun and all came home with a soft toy and some Easter chocolate. Park Hill's Got Talent was a huge success and many children were awarded prizes for their efforts. It was a very entertaining way to finish the term!

The next event to look forward to is Quiz night and Film night. Parents, family and friends are invited to a quiz in the hall with Quizmaster Mrs Bleasdale, while the children enjoy a film night supervised by staff. Tickets are now on sale at £5 per person. Adults please bring your own snacks and drinks. Children come in your PJs and relax with snacks watching a good film. Please get your tickets from the office. You can request your tickets by Email :- [office@parkhillschool.co.uk](mailto:office@parkhillschool.co.uk) and payment can be made online or cash.

## **Sports News**

### Year 4 and 5 Girls Football Tournament

On Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May the girls football team went to the Prairie for their very first football tournament. They played extremely well as a team and fought hard with Harper making some great saves in the net and Poppy scoring a great goal! They all thoroughly enjoyed themselves and we are really proud of how well they played.



### Forthcoming Events

- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May
- Friday 19 May, 6.30-8.30pm
- Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May
- Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June
- Friday 9 June
- Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June
- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June
- Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June
- Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June
- Year 6 Residential
- Quiz Night for adults and Film Night for children
- Year 5 Residential
- School Photographs
- Juniors Sleepover at school
- Grandparents' Afternoon
- Swimming Gala at St Peter's
- Summer Fayre
- End of Year Production