



# Peartree Spring Primary School Newsletter — 29/09/2023

## School Meals

**KS2 children** - The price of a school meal is **£3.00 per day, £15.00 per week**, unless your child is in receipt of Free School Meals. Ordering your child's lunches and payments are to be made via SchoolGrid. **Please note** - children's meals **MUST** be paid for in advance, unless you have set up a direct debit with SchoolGrid.

**SchoolGrid** - If your child is absent from school due to illness, it is the parent's responsibility to cancel their own child's lunch by **8.50am on the day**, otherwise you may incur a charge for the meal.

**Menu Change** - **Week 3 Thursday** option (Beany Pasta Bake) has been changed to Beef Burger.

**Special Dietary Requirements** - Please be advised that if your child has any special dietary requirements, you will need to apply for a special menu for your child directly through Hertfordshire Catering Limited (HCL). Special menus available include Dairy Free, Vegan, Egg Free & Vegetarian, Pork Free, Beef Free, Beef & Pork Free and Pescetarian. To apply, simply go to <https://specialmenu.hcl.co.uk>

**REMINDER** - Due to some of our children having severe nut allergies, please do not put items in your child's packed lunch box that contains nuts, this includes Nutella.

## NOTICES

**Macmillan Coffee Morning** - Thank you to everyone who donated cakes and attended the coffee morning today.



**Harvest Festival** - This is being next week (w/c 2nd October) - please continue to send in any donations for the Stevenage Food Shed. A reminder that our Harvest Festival Assembly is being held on **Friday 6th October at 10.00am** via Livestorm.

**Secondary Transfer** - A reminder to parents of children in Year 6 that the deadline to apply for a secondary school place for their child is **Tuesday 31st October 2023**. All the information is available online at [www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions).

**Individual School Photos** - A reminder that children will be having individual photographs take on the following days:

**Tuesday 3rd October - Years 3, 4, 5 & 6**

**Thursday 5th October - Reception, Years 1 & 2**

If you do not wish for your child to have their photograph taken, please contact the school office.



**Year 6 Residential Trip** - We have planned for our Year 6 children to go to PGL Multi Activity Centre at Osmington Bay, from **Sunday 23rd June to Wednesday 26th June 2024**. Places are on a 'first come first serve' basis. To secure a place for your child, **please make the non-refundable deposit of £50.00 via Schoolgateway by Friday 13th October 2023**.



**My Abilities Day** - Thank you to all the children/staff that took part in My Abilities Day on Monday - we raised £312 for this worthwhile charity.

**Governor Vacancies** - We currently have a few vacancies - further information will be sent out next week.

# October 2023

Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Thames Class Swimming	Individual School Photos for Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 children	Wednesday Workshops 8.45am to 9.00am Prior bookings only	Amazon Class Swimming  Individual School Photos for Reception, Years 1 & 2 children	Nile Class Swimming		
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Thames Class Swimming	Sibling Photos (more info to follow soon)	Wednesday Workshops 8.45am to 9.00am Prior bookings only  Year 4 Whipsnade Trip	Amazon Class Swimming	Nile Class Swimming		
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Thames Class Swimming	Parent consultations (via video link)	Parent consultations (via video link)	Year 3 Trip to Woburn Safari Park  Amazon Class Swimming	Nile Class Swimming		
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Half Term (School Closed)	Half Term (School Closed)	Half Term (School Closed)	Half Term (School Closed)	Half Term (School Closed)		



## Whole School Attendance (%)

1st	Bumblebee	99.7%
2nd	Squirrel	99.0%
3rd	Nile	98.7%
4th	Starfish	98.3%
5th	Hedgehog	97.3%
5th	Savannah	97.3%
6th	Amazon	95.9%
7th	Java	95.7%
8th	Jellyfish	95.5%
9th	Ladybird	95.3%
10th	Butterfly	95.0%
10th	Rainforest	95.0%
10th	Rockies	95.0%
11th	Thames	94.8%
12th	Coral	94.3%
13th	Rainbowfish	94.0%
13th	Desert	94.0%
13th	Caspian	94.0%
14th	Rabbits	92.0%
15th	Pyrenees	90.7%
16th	Alps	88.3%

## Birthdays

### Reception -

**Year 1** - Greyson G, Amelia L, TedA

**Year 2** - Isla P, Andreea G

**Year 3** - Grace M, Ashley L

**Year 4** - Eliza C

**Year 5** -

**Year 6** - Lenai-Jade S



## Stars of the Week



**Rabbits**  
**Amelie H**

for helping to find the gingerbread man's missing buttons and helping put them back on.

**Hedgehog**  
**Tyler-Ray D**

for winning the bake a cake award from Mr and Mrs Baker.

**Squirrel**  
**Sariah W**

for her excellent description of the gingerbread man for our Wanted poster.

**Butterfly**  
**Ella M**

for her fantastic concentration and determination when organising the harvest food.

**Bumblebee**  
**Ella O**

for her fantastic fact finding skills when researching about penguins.

**Ladybird**  
**Raven P**

for her fantastic painting of a Piet Mondrian classic, using secondary colours.

**Jellyfish**  
**Joshua P**

for his excellent work in maths when comparing numbers.

**Rainbowfish**  
**Leo E**

for his great noun phrases when designing a character for his Story.

**Starfish**  
**Della B**

for her brilliant plan in English when planning her writing logically.

**Desert**  
**Ashely L**

for his wonderful enthusiasm when learning some basic greetings in Spanish.

**Rainforest**  
**Jenson M**

for working extremely hard when comparing numbers to 1000.

**Savannah**  
**Sapphire S**

for excellent enthusiasm when learning the violin.

**Amazon**  
**Jairo B**

for creating a fantastic diary entry.

**Nile**  
**Summer C**  
for her fantastic fronted adverbials this week!

**Thames**  
**Ava N**  
for creating a detailed fact file about the Jewish Festival Yom Kippur.

**Caspian**  
**Tyler H**

for his enthusiastic discussions during our guided reading sessions this week.

**Coral**  
**Lydia C**  
for her impeccable manners.

**Java**  
**Scarlett C**  
for her excellent contributions during guided and whole class reading sessions.

**Alps**  
**Oliver T**

for working so hard with Mr Skeggs to improve his handwriting.

**Pyrenees**  
**Lacy H**  
for always being the first to offer help to an adult/peer and for being so thoughtful.

**Rockies**  
**Lexmark P**  
for always looking out for others, and always offering to help anyone who finds the work tricky.

## Reading Stars

**Reception**—Edward D, Syed A, Sarah B

**Year 1** - Maheen K, Rio R, Angel D

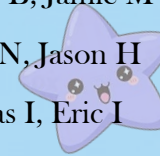
**Year 2** - Penny K, George O, Holly S

**Year 3** - Kiana A, Kayden B, Jamie M

**Year 4** - Willow M, Ava N, Jason H

**Year 5** - Maisie C, Lucas I, Eric I

**Year 6** - Adam D, Camille W, Lenny E



## Maths Stars

**Reception** - Joshua F, Ameera A, Felix G

**Year 1** - Reggie M, Vera M, Rohan Y

**Year 2** - Archie F, Antonia R, Andreea G

**Year 3** - Millie H, Jaxson H, Advyth A

**Year 4** - Jake H, George C, Matilda B

**Year 5** - Karis B, Aria C, Rylee W

**Year 6** - Lily-May D, Isla W, India J



## Star Children

Hamish G, Alfie S

