



# Peartree Spring Primary School Newsletter — 08/09/2023

## 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.

**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.

**Free School Meals** - If you think that your child/ren could be entitled to Free School Meals please apply directly through the HCC Website - [www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals)

## NOTICES

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to Peartree Spring Primary School - we hope you had a lovely summer holiday. We particularly welcome our newest children in Reception, who are settling in well with their new teachers and friends. We are looking forward to busy and exciting times ahead.

TERESA SKEGGS

Executive Headteacher.

**Compulsory School Uniform** - A reminder that children should now be wearing the Winter (NOT Summer) uniform, which consists of:

Navy blue sweatshirt/cardigan with school logo

Pale blue polo shirt with school logo

Grey tailored trousers/skirt/pinafore dress

(NO skinny trousers or leggings)

PE Kit - navy blue shorts and pale blue T-shirt (with school logo).

In addition, children may also wear plain navy blue jogging bottoms for outside PE in the winter months ONLY.

Black shoes for indoors

Trainers for outside play/PE

Thank you for your support.

**Dates/Events for the Academic Year 2023/24** - A letter regarding forthcoming events for the Autumn Term 2023 will be emailed to parents today. We will send out information for the Spring Term 2024 after half term. Please note - some events may be subject to change. We will notify you of any changes via the newsletters/text message.

**School Gateway reminder** - As you are aware from previous correspondence our school uses School Gateway - this is so parents can make online payments for school uniform, breakfast club, after school club and school trips, as well as booking children into our Breakfast Club/After School Club. Please go to [www.schoolgateway.com](http://www.schoolgateway.com) to register and select 'new user' and enter your email address and mobile telephone number. You will then be sent a PIN number to your mobile. If you have a smartphone you can download the app. You will automatically receive text messages and emails from the school if we have your details.



**Year 4 Swimming** - Year 4 swimming lessons will start the week commencing 11th September. Children will be swimming on the following days:

**Monday - Thames Class**

**Thursday - Amazon Class**

**Friday - Nile Class**

Please ensure you have consented/made payment via schoolgateway.

**Staff News** - We are pleased to welcome some new staff to our teaching assistant team: Mrs Edwards, Mrs Graham-Davidson, Miss Young and Miss Newsome. We have also welcomed Mrs White to the DSPL team.

# September 2023



Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Thames Class Swimming			Amazon Class Swimming	Nile Class Swimming		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Thames Class Swimming  Meet your child's class teacher week (more info to follow)		Wednesday Workshops start (more info to follow)  National Fitness Day	Amazon Class Swimming  Alps Class Assembly @ 9.15am via Livestorm  Flu Vaccinations (Rec to Yr 6)	Nile Class Swimming		
25	26	27	28	29	30	
My Abilities Day (Non-uniform)  Thames Class Swimming  Teacher Led Clubs start (more info to follow)		Wednesday Workshop	Amazon Class Swimming  Rockies Class Assembly @ 9.15am via Livestorm	Nile Class Swimming  Macmillian Coffee Morning (more info to follow)		

## Birthdays

Reception -

Year 1 -

Year 2 - Rudra P

Year 3 - Jenson M

Year 4 - Asha H, Konstantin R, Blake A, Frankie H

Year 5 -

Year 6 - Daisy M, Kyla M, Savannah B

## Whole School Attendance (%)

1st	Squirrel	100%
1st	Rabbits	100%
2nd	Nile	99.2%
3rd	Jellyfish	99.1%
4th	Desert	98.3%
4th	Rockies	98.3%
5th	Rainbowfish	97.9%
6th	Butterfly	97.1%
7th	Hedgehog	96.7%
8th	Bumblebee	96.3%
9th	Thames	96.1%
9th	Amazon	96.1%
10th	Rainforest	96.0%
11th	Caspian	95.8%
12th	Java	95.7%
13th	Savannah	95.0%
13th	Coral	95.0%
14th	Ladybird	92.9%
15th	Alps	92.7%
16th	Pyrenees	92.5%
17th	Starfish	90.0%



## Stars of the Week

Butterfly  
Mason B

for his fantastic work and effort when locating the continents.

Bumblebee  
Ellsa D

for building her confidence about being in Year 1 and coming into class each morning with a smile.

Jellyfish  
Stanley Q

for showing great effort with describing the Rat character from our book in English.

Rainbowfish  
Freddie B

for showing enthusiasm and a positive attitude towards the new challenges in Year 2. Well done on a great start!

Desert  
Esmé M

for using her super sketching skills to recreate different animal patterns.  
Well done Esmé!

Rainforest  
Lilly Mae W

for her fantastic positive attitude towards all of her learning.  
Well done Lily-Mae!

Amazon  
Aaliyah L

for producing a fantastic fact file about an artist.

Nile  
Gracie B

for her never-ending enthusiasm for every challenge and being an all round lovely and polite member of the class.

Caspian  
Zavier S

for showing a positive attitude towards your new adventure in Year 5.

Coral  
Lily P

for being a kind, polite member of Coral Class.

Alps  
Harry G

for doing everything with a smile and working so hard in his first week in Year 6.

Pyrenees  
Myah S

for her enthusiasm across all of our learning and helping to explain ideas to her peers.



Ladybird  
Aariya S

for thinking of some amazing questions about our new topic.

Starfish  
Brooke H

for her incredible determination and enthusiasm towards her learning this week!



Savannah  
Logan C

for an excellent labelled skeleton.



Thames  
Connie S

for her beautiful PSHE Bee Garden picture where she shared all the things she would like to be this year!

Java  
Harrison B

for his wonderful glossary showing the gender articles for pets.

Rockies  
Samantha S

for taking pride in her work and ensuring a beautiful presentation every time.

