



Peartree Spring Primary School Newsletter — 31/01/2025

School Meals

KS2 children - School meal prices are £3.15 per day, £15.75 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.hc.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

PE Noticeboard

Football - Well done to the mixed Year 5/6 football team who represented Stevenage at the Hertfordshire School's Under 11 Regional Qualifier for the ESFA 7-a-side competition last Saturday. They faced some challenging teams and battled and worked harder than ever finishing in joint 4th place! This is an incredible achievement, placing them 4th in the region out of 250+ Hertfordshire schools.



Badminton - Some of our Year 6 children took part in a badminton event on Thursday at Barnwell. They played extremely well, developed their confidence and showed great resilience. The children came earned 5th place in the event.

NOTICES



Garden House Hospice - Some of our Year 5 children visited the Garden House Hospice in Letchworth this week. They had the opportunity to work with members of the community, were given a tour, met the staff and learnt about their roles.



Teacher Led Clubs (Years 1 to 6) - A reminder that children will need to be collected by an adult from their club. **ONLY** the gate by the zebra crossing will be open for entry to the pick up points.

PE kits - Please ensure your child has a PE kit with them every day, school logo t-shirt and navy shorts for indoor PE. In the winter months, we ask that you provide your child with plain navy tracksuit bottoms as well as navy shorts. A reminder that for Health & Safety reasons children are only able to wear **STUD** earrings to school and long hair must be tied back for PE.



Dinner Money (Years 3 to 6) - We have a number of children with outstanding dinner money debts. Please can parents login to SchoolGrid and clear any outstanding debts to enable their child to have any further meals. Thank you.

Parking - Please can we remind parents to be considerate to our local community by not parking/blocking residents driveways, grass verges or in front of our vehicle gates. Thank you for your support.



Wednesday Workshops - A reminder to please book your preferred session via <https://peartreespring.schoolcloud.co.uk> - places are limited.

PGL residential trip (Year 6 children) - A reminder to parents that the second instalment of £175 will need to be paid **NO LATER** than **Friday 28th February 2025**.

INSET Day / Half Term - School will be closed on **Friday 14h February 2025** for an INSET day. The school will also be closed from **Monday 17th to Friday 21st February 2024** for the half term.



February 2025



Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Year 5 Love Your Heart Workshop (during the school day)	Garden House Hospice visit (selected Year 5 children)	Wednesday Workshops 8.45am to 9.00am (book via Schoolcloud) Young Voices Concert (Choir children)	Amazon Class Assembly @ 9.15am via Livestorm Stevenage Parliament visit (Head boy and girl)			
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	Garden House Hospice visit (selected Year 5 children)	Wednesday Workshops 8.45am to 9.00am (book via Schoolcloud)	Savannah Class Assembly @ 9.15am via Livestorm (more info to follow soon)	OCCASIONAL DAY (school closed)		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Half term (school closed)	Half term (school closed)	Half term (school closed)	Half term (school closed)	Half term (school closed)		

Whole School Attendance (%)		
1st	Coral	97.9%
2nd	Rabbits	96%
2nd	Rainforest	96%
3rd	Hedgehog	95.7%
3rd	Jellyfish	95.7%
4th	Rockies	95.4%
5th	Squirrel	95.3%
5th	Starfish	95.3%
6th	Ladybird	94.1%
6th	Caspian	94.1%
7th	Bumblebee	94%
8th	Pyrenees	93.7%
9th	Rainbowfish	93.3%
10th	Desert	92.7%
11th	Alps	92.3%
12th	Nile	90%
12th	Java	90%
13th	Butterfly	89.4%
14th	Amazon	83.7%
15th	Thames	82.3%
16th	Savannah	77.6%

Birthdays

Reception - Zayd I, Franciszek B, Alexander W

Year 1 - George S

Year 2 - Dolcey-Grey C, Vera M, Alfie L

Year 3 - Adam Z, Sonny G

Year 4 - Olivia R, Bella D, Kane R, Olivia R

Year 5 - Willow M, Gracie B

Year 6 - Dylan O'D, Jack C





Rabbit - Mihzad N

for working so hard to blend sounds together when reading.

Butterfly - Joseph K

for showing great effort in his writing, using exclamation marks.

Jellyfish - Rohan Y

for making great progress with his writing this half term! Keep up the hard work!

Desert - Henry V W

for his amazing poster about the artist Hokusai.

Amazon - Billy R

for working hard in our Teach Active maths lesson to calculate the division questions.

Caspian - Connie S

for her great reasoning skills involving fractions.

Alps - Hamish G

for always utilising his time wisely.

Stars of the Week

Squirrel - Eunice O

for her wonderful use of vocabulary when comparing mass in Maths this week.

Bumblebee - Olivia C

for her perseverance when learning to write in Mandarin during our lesson on Lunar New Year .

Rainbowfish - Leo H

for being a wonderful friend to others and a positive role model for everyone else in the class.

Rainforest - Ida D

for always being a kind and helpful member of Rainforest class.

Nile - Daisy P-K

for being such a kind and caring friend.

Coral - Lucca A

for showing qualities of a true classmate and friend.

Pyrenees - Harry W

for his knowledge about Christian leaders.



Hedgehog - Areya S

for her mathematical reasoning and justifications.

Ladybird - Reggie N

for working exceptionally hard in his writing lessons this week.

Starfish - Tawhid K

for his brilliant use of adjectives to describe!

Savannah - Andreea G

for her fantastic rhythm while following a notation on the glockenspiel in Music.

Thames - Remy W

for using descriptive vocabulary and fronted adverbials in his writing.

Java - Maddison S

for her brilliant effort in solving multi step division and multiplication problems .

Rockies - Luke M

for fantastic effort in reading this year.



Star Children

Reception - Callie C, Alyssia-Jayne A and Esmé R

Year 1 - Sofia-Bella B, Parker B, Isla B, Sarah B , Harrison C, Harry C, Victor C, Freya D , Jesse D, Livia F, Noah G, Artur L, Reggie N, Torey O , Sariyah W and Harry P

Year 2 - Nico A, Ella O, Perry B, Ted M, Grayson O, Remy T and Tate T

Year 3 - Laura B and Noah H

Year 4 - Kara A, Henry S , Harrison L, Jaxson H, Antoaneta P , Alex D, Makatipa R, Maria O, Olivia R, Lyra T and Laila R

Year 5 - Lottie C, Jenson CD, Sofie F , Thomas P, Esme L and Tommy S

Year 6 - Tommy B