

Park Lane School

SUMMER NEWSLETTER

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The end of another school year! I was talking to a parent at the Leavers prom and we both agreed each year passes more quickly!

It has been an exciting year with some new developments ahead. A planned new building and new facilities to be completed during the next academic year. It is planned that the work on the old "Willows" building will start in November. I will keep you updated.

Also we are offering Supported Internships to 3 pupils who will undertake supported work placements in Macclesfield Hospital. This is a new partnership between Park Lane and Macclesfield Hospital which we hope will grow over the next few years.



Thank you to all parents and families who donated to the Summer Splash fundraising event. The pupils certainly enjoyed having fun in the pool!

A big thank you to the FOPLSS committeefor their support and hard work to help the school. The Summer Fair and BBQ was a good night and was well supported. Thank fully it stayed dry this year! The FOPLSS committee is small but they do work hard to ensure the pupils continue to get the extra resources they need as well as contributing funds to the hydropool refurbishment.

Its always a sad time as inevitably we have to say "goodbye" to pupils and staff. This year we are waving on 5 pupils to different school, college and day provision. 3 of the pupils have been here since they were 2 so Park Lane has been a big part of their lives and they have been a big part of the school.

We are also wishing Alison Hampson a happy retirement. Alison is our OT and has been connected with the school for 19 years. We wish Katherine Fox and Kate Rose well as they move to pastures new.

Finally I thank you for your support this year and wish you all a good summer. I hope the sun shines for at least some of the days!

To see what has been happening in the other classes please read on.....



THIS TERM OUR TOPIC HAS BEEN: FARM ANIMALS

Silk Class



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This term so far...

By Claire

This term we have focused on the topic of 'Farm Animals'. We have shared and enjoyed some lovely books including 'Rosie's Walk', 'Duck in the Truck' and 'Mr Gumpy's Outing'.

We have continued our work around the 'Number of the week' and learnt about different sizes. In literacy we have experienced lots of fine motor skills development activities and worked on phase 1 of the Letters and Sounds programme. We have worked very hard!

We really enjoy exploring our local community with weekly trips to South Park and we recently enjoyed a sunny picnic in the park. The pupil's behaviour whilst out in the community has been excellent.

To further develop our understanding of life on a farm we went on a wonderful farm discovery trip. We visited Holly Tree Working Farm and Peover Hall. We met lots of lovely animals and then helped to

make a scarecrow for the gardens at Peover Hall.

We have also participated in whole school events such as Sports Day and European Markets. Our market was themed around France and we particularly enjoyed sampling our croissants!

This term we have continued to display excellent levels of participation and have all made some lovely progress across the curriculum.

We hope you have enjoyed reading about the fun we have had in Silk class.









Have a lovely Summer break!







Another busy term...

By Jackie

Granelli class



THIS TERM OUR TOPIC HAS BEEN: THE SEASONS

We have made great progress in Music Therapy, Sensory Circuits, PE, Swimming and ICT as well as our core subjects.

English

We have continued to make progress in our Phonics. We have completed Phase 2 and are now enjoying Phase 3. We have transferred these skills to read CVC words and some of us have even read a book. We have enjoyed sensory stories together, such as "We're going on a bear hunt" and "The Gruffalo".

Maths

We have concentrated on capacity and position. We have listened to lots of songs to help us learn these topics.

PSHCE

We have been looking at emotions and using symbols and words to say how we

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are feeling. We have also learned about people, who help us.

Science

We have been looking at the seasons and day and night. We have linked these topics to our art. We have created van Gogh's "The Starry Night" and looked at trees through the seasons.

Have a lovely summer











Hovis Class Newsletter

Summer Term

A TERM FULL OF LOTS OF LOVELY FOLICATIONAL VISITS AND GOODBYES

This term our topic has been 'Minibeasts and more' and within this topic we have learnt about minibeasts, animals and learnt more about ourselves and how to take care of our bodies. We have made animal art, wormeries and grown our own butterflies in class. We have had four educational visits this term which we will tell you all about in the newsletter.

Tatton Dale Farm

We went for a day trip to Tatton Dale Farm which is situated within the grounds of Tatton Park. We had such a fantastic time meeting all the animals and learning more about where our food comes from. We learnt how to grind wheat to make flour and had a go ourselves. We also churned milk to make butter. We met the cows, pigs and the horse, as well as feeding the goats and chickens. We also had a go at milking a cow but luckily for us it was a wooden cow with rubber udders!

All the students took part in the visit and activities really well and were so well behaved, our two lovely guides for the day even sent us a card in the post to say thank you for visiting.

Buxton Arts Festival

We got the opportunity to take art in Buxton Arts Festival and were invited to an SEN orchestral performance, delivered by the 'Chameleon Trio'. It was an amazing morning as the students were taken on a 'journey through the jungle' and were allowed to join in with each musical performance. Our students showed great confidence and performed in front of their peers and other schools, which was fantastic to see. Unfortunately, due to the weather, we were not able to stay and have our picnic in the park but this didn't manage to dampen our magical morning.

Tesco Healthy Living

This term we were lucky enough to have Sheena visit us again. Sheena works for Tesco's in Macclesfield and came to share with us lots of lovely fruits and vegetables giving us the opportunity to try lots of different foods which are good for us. The students all did really well tasting each item and communicating if they liked or didn't like it. This linked in perfectly with our Healthy Eating Science Topic where we have been learning about 'woah' and 'go' foods.

Peak Wildlife Park

Finally, we went on a visit to Peak Wildlife Park which was a fantastic end to our term's topic. We were able to see lots more animals, including some very friendly Lemurs who sat next to us and even tried to break into our backpacks! We also particularly enjoyed the penguins as we were able to watch them really closely, swimming and walking around.

We even had time for a picnic lunch, a play in the soft play area and an ice-cream in the park before we left. It was such a lovely day and a perfect way to end our term.

Finally.....

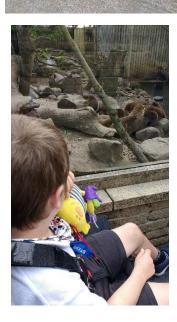
We would like to wish everyone a very happy summer holidays and also wish our six lovely leavers best of luck in their new classes and schools, we know you will all be fantastic.

See you in September, Team Hovis















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THIS TERM OUR TOPIC HAS BEEN. THE SENSES

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We have had a great summer term. We were thrilled that Amber was the school Rose Queen at the Rose Queen assembly. We had a wonderful time, crowning the Queen and enjoying country dancing. We have enjoyed the European market, when Barnaby class represented Spain with Flags and Non- alcoholic Sangria. We have started clearing and planting in our new garden area.

We have been on trips and spent time with our peers in other classes. We have had two music tutors working with us this term who have used their skills to play and sing with us.

We have enjoyed being outside when the weather has been fine, and we have spent time with our friends.

We hope you have a lovely summer break.



Mulberry Class

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Summer Term Topics

<u>English</u> — Our books this term have been 'The Tin Forrest' and 'The Green Giant' which have helped us think about recycling, reducing waste and reusing items for our topic — Keen to be Green. Students have also been focusing on Phonics, working hard on initial letter sounds. We have been getting ready for our trip by reading 'Tiddler' and writing about lots of different sea creatures.

<u>Maths</u> — We have been making lots of tally charts in Maths. We have counted peoples favorite ice creams, snack café orders, recycling and bowling scores. We have thinking about adding and subtracting from our scores. We have made lots of different staff snacks and lunches in Enterprise, we have counted money and worked hard on coin recognition.

<u>Science</u> – Our Science topic for the summer has been forces. We have had great fun pushing curling stones, air rockets and swings. When thinking about pulling forces we have used archery, string peg races and tug of war to show how the forces change.

<u>Art</u> — We have used recycled materials to make lots art work ranging from insects to castles. We have looked at the artist Andy Goldsworthy and used his work to inspire us in making a big class art work with leaves, twigs and flowers. We have made Clay leaf bowls, monster cereal boxes and many more amazing works of art.

D&T – We have continued our 'keen to be green' theme in the garden by recycling garden waste, planting seeds, making bird feeders and looking after the school garden and greenhouse area.

<u>PE</u> – We have been sprinting, throwing and jumping in Athletics and we had a great sports day this term. We have also been playing rounder's working on our hitting, catching and throwing.

School trips – We have been on some great trips this term. We have visited **Glebe Farm** where we fed the animals and went on a tractor ride. We have been to **South Park** to put or work on forces into practice on the swings and roundabout. Blue Planet **Aguarium** was a favorite for all of the students, we saw lots of Nemo and Dory fish and watched the divers feeding the sharks and rays in the big tank. Everyone loved going in the big tunnel seeing the sharks swimming overhead.



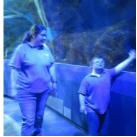












































JULY 2019

This term has been another busy one for students and staff from Arighi class.

We have been getting out and about and keeping fit and active through regular swimming sessions, Active Maths and yoga. We have enjoyed visiting the cafe at Macclesfield College each Wednesday morning where Liam has developed a taste for cappuccino froth and Eva has particularly enjoyed the hash browns. At the Café students have shown how they can use their numeracy and communication skills by ordering their own food and paying for it at the till. Some students have enjoyed music sessions at Fallibroome School whilst others have continued to join in with the wheelchair country dancing sessions which remain a firm favorite with many of us.

English and Communications

In English we have been reading poems and stories by Edward Lear and have developed our signing skills. We have learnt to sign the alphabet and can now Signalong to *The Owl and The Pussy Cat.* We also made a giant Quangle Wangle's hat.

Maths

In Maths we have been counting, looking at shapes and using positional language to describe where things are. We have been weighing and measuring and following recipes in cooking. We were able to apply

some of our maths, skills in Enterprise sessions where we have made paper Mache bowls, key rings and book marks which we sold at the Summer Fair. Some students have been developing money skills too, counting, sorting and matching coins.







Science and Other Areas of the Curriculum

In Science we have been finding out about dinosaurs and learning about where they lived and what they ate.









We have been looking at different flowers in Art and have been inspired by looking at the work of great artists such as Monet's Water Lilies and Van Gogh's Sunflowers. In Humanities we enjoyed joining up with

Arighi Class



students from Barnaby class to explore different topics.

In PHSE we have worked on our ASDAN New Horizons Award and have covered themes such as People who Help Us. Using the Community, Friends, and Similarities and differences.

Some of our class will be moving on to Treacle class at the end of this year and have already made several successful transition visits. We will be very sad to see our friends go but wish them the very best for the future.

We will be welcoming six new students to Arighi class in September. We are looking forward to making new friends and hope next year will be just as exciting.

We have lots of hard work planned but we always have lots of fun.

We are all looking forward to our summer holiday and wish everyone an enjoyable and relaxing summer break.









Treacle class



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This year so far...

By Laura

It has been a very busy year in Treacle! We have said goodbye and hello to staff and we will also be saying goodbye to four of our students- Harvey, Lily, Joe and Ellie. They are moving to Sixth Form in September and we will miss them but we know they will have a great time in their new classes. We will be welcoming four new students- Sophie, Aidan, Cagri and Brenden. They have visited us a few times and we are excited about having them in Treacle in September!

English

In English we focused on writing and each wrote a story first on the computer using a 2simple package and then we handwrote the stories into our handmade books and added sensory textures to the illustrations. The finished products are very impressive.

Maths

We have concentrated on Data this term. We carried out surveys on our class- birthdays, pets and favourite

foods. It was great fun collecting the data, after we collected it we made bar charts and pie charts to present it to everyone.

PSHCE

We have been splitting the class and the groups have been alternating between involved a lot of yoga and meditating which helps us stay calm.

Science

It has been really exciting in Science, we have carried out experiments with light and shade, dressed in clothing to suit the season and explored space objects and the mobile phone as a way of communicating. To round it all off we visited the Jodrell Bank Discovery Centre and this helped support the work we have been doing in class.

PE and swimming

This week we really enjoyed a pool party for Joe's 16th and to raise money.



We have been around the world in our class MFL lessons and done cookery and crafts from different countries. We also took part in the whole school European market. Treacle represented Portugal by doing some drumming and cooking some delicious tarts.



Have a great summer



Lower 6th Form



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Enterprise

WE HAVE MADE ITALIAN FLAGS FOR OUR EUROPEAN MARKET STALL

Our Summer Term

By Andrée

We have been practicing travelling around the campus in PSHCE as well as finding out about Italy for the European Market. We made enough money in enterprise to have a class treat.

English



Some of us have working on trying different parts of jobs we think we might like to do. Some of us chose animal care and have been practising taking care of Rufus the guinea pig.

PSHCE

We have been working on travelling



around the campus, recognising which way we need to go to get to different buildings. We have visited the college café, canteen, Park Lane School and the newsagents shop on Park Lane. We are good at knowing where we are going

t lost!



We have all worked really hard in enterprise this term and made lots of things to sell. We had a stall at the summer fair and sold pictures, plants and Rock Road. We were very excited to find out that we had earned enough money to go bowling. We want to thank everyone for their generous support in buying our goods. We

really appreciate it. We will be asking for the





results of the Sunflower Challenge in September so keep watering those sunflowers!

Have a great summer holiday everyone!



Upper 6th Form



WE ENJOYED A FANATASIC DAY SAILING ON CARSINGTON WATER

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Sailing

The Upper 6th Form have enjoyed a fantastic day sailing on Carsington Water thanks to the Carsington sailing club 'Sailablity' volunteers











