Park Hall Infant Academy
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Autumn Term No 6 **Wednesday 4th November 2026**



🚨 Important Reminder: INSET Day – Friday 13th November 🚨
Please be reminded that **school will be CLOSED to all children on Friday 13th November** for an INSET Day.
School will reopen as normal on Monday 16th November.

A little reminder of our morning arrival arrangements

Thank you again for your fantastic support with our new arrangements today. Just a quick reminder that these arrangements will continue:

- **Year 1:** Please use the individual classroom doors for morning drop-off. These are the same doors children use at home time.
- **Year 2:** Please continue to use the hall entrance.
- **All parents and carers:** Please remain with your children on the main playground until the doors open, rather than gathering in the narrower area outside the hall entrance.

These arrangements help us to reduce congestion, keep entrances clear and ensure everyone can enter school safely and smoothly.
Thank you once again for your patience, cooperation and support. It really does make a difference, and we appreciate you helping us to give all our children a calm and positive start to the day!

Poppy Appeal – Merchandise NOW on Sale

Poppies and other merchandise are available for purchase in school. If your child would like to buy a poppy, please send them in with a minimum donation of 50p

Other items available include:

- **Gold Pin Badges** – £3.00
- **Snap Bands** – £1.50
- **Reflectors** – 50p
- **Wristbands** – £1.00
- **Pencils** – 50p



Welcome Back

We are pleased to welcome all our children back to school after the half-term break. We hope everyone enjoyed a restful and refreshing time with family and friends.

As we begin this new half term, we are excited to share what your child will be learning across the coming weeks. Please click on your child's year group below to view their **Curriculum Map**, which outlines the key topics, subjects, and activities planned for this half term.

We are looking forward to another fantastic half term of learning and growth!

Nursery https://tinyurl.com/mryhpwjy	**Reception** https://tinyurl.com/mryyrkrf
Year 1 https://tinyurl.com/yc4ppd46	**Year 2** https://tinyurl.com/3fyn4mmz

School Photographs – Catch-Up Session

If your child was absent from school and missed having their individual or sibling photograph taken, these photographs will now take place tomorrow **(Thursday 5th November 2026)**. Please ensure your child is in school on this day in full school uniform if they were previously absent.

Reminder: CGP Revision Books

If you would like to purchase CGP books for your child, please place your order via your Scopay account. **Order Deadline: Friday 6th November 2026**

Flu Vaccinations – Catch up Session in School

Flu vaccinations catch up sessions will take place on **Friday 4th December 2026**. If you have already given consent for your child to receive the flu vaccination, you do not need to do anything further.

Thank you to all the parents who attended our Reception Computing Parent Workshops!

We were delighted to welcome Lucy Jayes, Online Safety Advisor who joined Mrs. Sembhi, our Computing Lead, to deliver online safety training and advice for all our families.

The children enjoyed joining their adults to log in to Google Classroom and complete some fun activities on our learning platform.

The slides from the session will be shared with all Reception parents. We hope the workshops were helpful and will support our families in staying safe online at home.

Anti-Bullying Week – 16th–20th November 2026



We will be supporting Anti-Bullying Week this November, with this year's theme **'Break the Silence'**. The week encourages children and adults to speak up about bullying, listen to one another and work together to make sure everyone feels safe, valued and included.
We will kick-start the week on **Monday 16th November with Odd Socks Day!** Children are invited to wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique and remind us that it's wonderful to be different.
Throughout the week, we will be exploring the importance of kindness, friendship, respect and speaking out if something isn't right.

Be Bright Be Seen – Competition

Get creative and help keep everyone safe by taking part in our 'Be Bright, Be Seen' competition! We're inviting children to design a colourful poster showing how they can stay safe, be bright and be seen when out and about on darker nights. Let your imagination shine and help spread the important message of staying safe! Please see the attached information for further details. **All entries must be submitted by Thursday 12th November.**

Holiday Activities Programme (HAF - Walsall Council)

Christmas Fun Holiday Activities that can be booked in Walsall from Tuesday 16th November 2026



- To qualify for the activity programme your child needs to be in receipt of free school meals, resides in Walsall and is between the ages of 5-16 years.
- Families can pre-register to HAF or check their eligibility from 9th November 2026.

Please scan the QR code which will take you to the website.

Gold Star Assembly Award Winners

In recognition of your learning, progress, attitude, effort and upholding the school learning habits and values.
Congratulations!

Class 3 – Ruben S A	Class 5– Denas P	Class 6 – Chanel D
Class 9 – Yajurvi G	Class 8 – Anaya C	

Who are our SUPERSTARS Celebrating the achievements of our children out of school. Lots of children have been busy reading and completing the Summer Reading Challenge. They have also been busy achieving in swimming, dancing, footballing and gymnastics.

Achievements		
Class 4	Aniya S	Swimming – Stanley 5 Award
Class 6	Jai N	Football – Well Behaved Medal
Class 6	Pari D	Swimming – Stanley 3 Award
Class 7	Riya B	Kickboxing - Green & Orange Belt
Class 8	Ayah A	Football Achievement Medal
Class 8	Jaxson M	Swimming – Stanley 7 Award & Kickboxing Green Belt
Class 8	Diya D	Swimming – Goldfish 1 Award
Class 9	Dylan S	Swimming – 50 Metres Award
Class 9	Hollie W	Swimming – Lean to Swim Level 3 Award

Whole School Attendance



Week commencing Monday 19th October 2026 – 87.7%
Highest Attendance Class 9 – 96.5%
Well done Class 9!



Attendance Target 96%

Class	% Attendance w/c 19/10/26	Class	% Attendance w/c 19/10/26
Nur	93	5	78.3
1	87.3	6	88.3
2	82.4	7	92.8
3	77.2	8	92.3
4	89.3	9	96.5

High focus on attendance. Please ensure your children are attending daily and on time.
Don't miss the phonics learning at 9.00am!

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Thursday 5th November 2026 – Individual and Sibling Photograph Catch up Session

Thursday 12th November – Class 7 Parent Computing Workshop 1:00pm-1:40pm
Thursday 12th November - Class 8 Parent Computing Workshop 1:45pm-2:25pm
Thursday 12th November - Class 9 Parent Computing Workshop 2:30pm-3:15pm

Friday 13th November 2026

W/C Monday 16th November 2026 - Anti Bullying Week
Monday 16th November 2026 will be Odd Socks Day

Wednesday 18th November 2026 – Reception Eye Test

Thursday 26th November – TimesTables Rockstars & Numbots Launch Day for Year 1 & 2
(Further information to follow)

Friday 4th December 2026 – Acorns Sparkle Day
We would love for the children to wear something sparkly and ask for a **small donation** to support this special fund raising day.

Friday 4th December 2026– Flu Vaccination Catch up Session



Inset Days
Friday 13th November 2026
Friday 18th June 2027
Wednesday 21st July 2027

SAVE THE DATE

Monday 14th December - Class 6 Cup of Cheer
Tuesday 15th December - Class 4 Cup of Cheer
Thursday 17th December – Class 5 Cup of Cheer
Doors open at 2:15pm

Wednesday 16th December – Dick Whittington Pantomime (in school)

Wednesday 16th December- Christmas Disco's (Further information to follow)

Friday 18th December – Last Day of Term

Term Dates

Please click on the link below for the current academic term dates.
https://www.parkhall-inf.walsall.sch.uk/term-and-holiday-dates/

PARK HALL
INFANT ACADEMY

AUTUMN FESTIVALS: CELEBRATING SAFELY

A GUIDE FOR PARK HALL INFANT ACADEMY FAMILIES



FIRE SAFETY FIRST.

KEEP FLAMES AWAY from costumes, decorations, & fabrics.

USE LED/ELECTRIC alternatives where possible.





COSTUME & CLOTHING SAFETY.

CHECK FOR FIRE SAFETY LABELS (UKCA/CE).

LAYER CLOTHES under costumes for protection.

TEACH STOP, DROP, & ROLL in case of fire.



BE BRIGHT, BE SEEN.

ADD REFLECTIVE TAPE to outfits & bags.

USE GLOW STICKS, TORCHES, or bright accessories.

ALWAYS CROSS SAFELY & stay on well-lit paths.



SPARKLERS & FIREWORKS.

SPARKLERS NOT FOR UNDER-5s.
Hold at arm's length, wear gloves.

WATCH FIREWORKS AT ORGANISED DISPLAYS.



OUT AND ABOUT.

FACE PAINT IS SAFER than masks.

STAY IN GROUPS & well-lit areas.

ALWAYS SUPERVISE YOUNG CHILDREN.

WISHING ALL OUR FAMILIES A JOYFUL & SAFE FESTIVAL SEASON!