

# Park School and Outreach Service



Newsletter October 2024



**It must nearly be Halloween... advent calendars are in Tesco!\***

*Well, the first half-term has flown by but we think it has been a fang-tastic start to the year. We're sure you are all looking forward to the mid-term break and hope it is a safe and fun-filled time for you and your family. Overall attendance is up on last year, so thanks for your support and commitment in working with us to increase the opportunities for our students.*

*The run-up to Christmas in school is always a busy time, so please keep your eyes peeled for updates on details about the Christmas Fair, Christmas show and class trips.*

*As always, the school Facebook page, website, Class Dojo and this fa-boo-lous newsletter will keep you posted.*

*Creep it real...*

*\*Other supermarkets are available.*

## #HelloYellow



For World Mental Health Day, we took part in 'Hello Yellow' organised by Young Minds. Many students and staff wore something yellow to support this charity.

We also had a mindfulness afternoon, where classes were able to choose different activities that help us take care of our mental health.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 23.10.24 - Junior Football Comp
- 24.10.24 - Parent Teacher Meetings
- 25.10.24 - Halloween Bop
- 28.10.24 - 01.11.24 - Half-Term break.
- 01.11.24 - INTERNAL BUILDING WORKS TO BE COMPLETED!!!
- 04.11.24 - School re-opens for the new half-term.
- 11-15.11.24- Anti-bullying Week
- 18.11.24 - Careers Fair
- 22.11.24 - Open Day



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There are still items remaining if you would like to avail of this **FREE** service. If you have any uniform that your child's grown out of, then you can donate it to school, and we'll help it find a new home. Please contact the school office for more information.



## Run Johnston, Run!

*On Sunday 27th October Miss Johnston will be running the Dublin Marathon to raise funds for our school. If you would like to sponsor Miss Johnston, please use the link below.*



[https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/parkschoolbelfast?utm\\_id=2&utm\\_term=Zaz3B8MBG](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/parkschoolbelfast?utm_id=2&utm_term=Zaz3B8MBG)



## She Shoots, She Scores!

Gemma (9HK) has won two medals with her football team Rosario FC, for goal scoring and excellent tackling. Well done!



## After School Clubs

**Calling all craft lovers. Craft Club** starts on 06.11.24. **Places still available.**

### Cookery Club

Cookery Club starts on 07.11.24 and runs every Thursday until 12.12.24. Don't forget to bring a container for your delightful creations. **All places are taken.**

**Dodgeball Club** starts 22.10.24...

'If you can dodge a wrench, you can dodge a ball!'

**Pantomime Club** will begin after half-term and will run for those who are performing in the school show. Mr McKinley will give out information for this shortly...Oh Yes he will!

*Get ready for a whimsical adventure like no other, as Park School presents...*

## Alistair in Wonderland

*Hello boys and girls! Mother McKinley here...*



Join Alistair as he tumbles down the rabbit hole into a world filled with eccentric characters, laugh-out-loud moments, and surprises at every turn.

With cheeky jokes, catchy songs, and a cast of colorful characters, this enchanting tale is bound to tickle your funny bone and keep you on the edge of your seat!

Join us for a fantastical journey that promises to be an absolute blast this December!



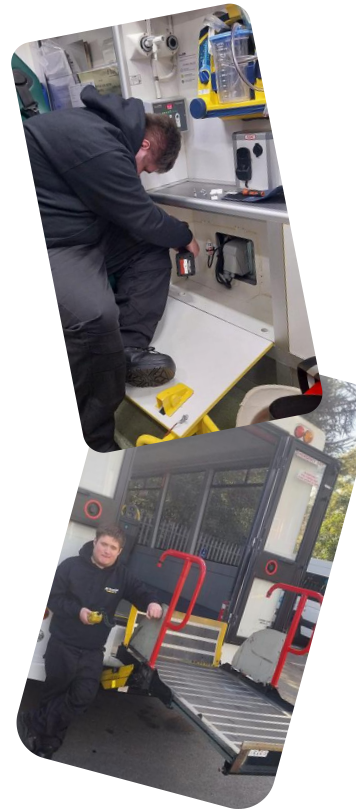


# Exploring Tomorrow

## Joshua 16PD

*At Premier Health Care, I work with my dad to learn new things. Every day, we service ambulances and fix breakdowns. This experience is helping me prepare for a career in mechanics..*

*I've learned that hard work pays off. I've gained skills like using a laptop to diagnose problems, working with fixings, and doing service checks. This work experience teaches me to work hard and be diligent.*



## New Arrivals at Park!

A huge Park congratulations to 2 new arrivals for staff this half-term. Mr Davidson welcomed a baby girl, Pheobe. A few weeks later, Miss Napier welcomed a baby boy, Leo.



## The Best Trip Ever!

Year 12 had an amazing day out at Exploris Aquarium. They met loads of different fish, sharks, stingrays, seals and even penguins (not the chocolate ones). They then enjoyed a brilliant boat trip from Portaferry to Strangford and got to meet the Captain. Their day was finished off with a stop off in McDonalds, thankfully there was no fish on the menu!





# Shares not Chers



**There are two young enterprise companies this year in Post 16: Park's Pixels and Drip Drop.**

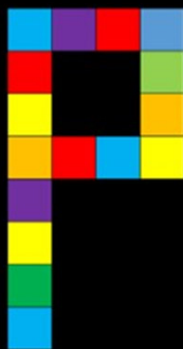
**Park's Pixels will be making mosaic kits and Drip Drop will be personalising umbrellas.**

**In order to raise finance to start their companies and buy stock, they are selling shares in the business for £1 per share. In return for your investment, you will receive your £1 back in June 2025 and a share of the profits.**

**If you would like to purchase any shares, then please contact school.**

**BUY OUR SHARES AND  
TOGETHER HELP PARK'S  
PIXELS BEAT THE REST AND  
BE THE BEST!**

**PARK'S PIXELS**



**PICK IT, PIXEL IT**

A share advertisement for Drip Drop. It features a large green water droplet with the text 'DRIP DROP BRIGHTEN YOUR RAINY DAYS' inside. To the right is a small black umbrella. The background is a textured, weathered surface. Text around the droplet includes: 'We are Drip Drop We are a young enterprise company!!!', 'One Share, £1', 'By investing in us you'll become one of us!!!', and 'We are selling shares to Startup our business!!!'.