



Parkfields School
FLOURISH, LEARN AND GROW



Newsletter

19th December 2025

Message from the Headteacher

Welcome to the eighth edition of the 2025/26 academic year.

The **Parkfields Christmas Day** took place on Wednesday with all the usual events including the Santa Dash (thanks to the PE team), annual quiz (thanks to Mrs. Minshull, film, and a delicious Christmas dinner (thanks to the Kitchen team). We were also welcomed to **St. George's church** by Rev'd Ian Smith where we listened to readers and Rev'd Ian talk about the Christmas story and listen to the choir perform as well as sing carols together.

Once again, the weekly celebration assembly has been full of the successes of the children - a special well done to the children in the **Tenacity Dance** groups that performed so well at the Worlds recently and to the children receiving **Headteacher Commendations**.

We celebrated this week with the children who achieved **Golden Tickets** for their **ATLs** as well as those who attained the best scores. Remember that next term we celebrate the most improved scores.

Finally, congratulations to the **Y8 basketball team** who won the District Championship for the second year in a row and now move on to the county finals in the new year. See more overleaf.

As usual, please check out Mrs. Owen's **SEND newsletter** which is packed full of links and useful resources.

Have a great Christmas break and see you in 2026!

Mr. J Hughes
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#PTBAP

Shaping Safer, Greener Journeys to School



Central Bedfordshire Council is asking parents to share their views on how to help more children travel to school safely and sustainably. The draft Sustainable Modes of Transport to School Strategy (SMOTS) sets out actions to improve walking and cycling routes, reduce traffic and pollution around school gates, support initiatives like Park and Stride and Walking Buses, and help young people travel independently with confidence.

With just two weeks remaining, parents are urged to speak up about the barriers their families face from road safety concerns to busy drop-off areas and help shape cleaner, safer journeys for all children across Central Bedfordshire. The consultation closes on Wednesday 31 December 2025. [Complete the survey here.](#)

Our current value is... responsibility



'... being accountable for something or someone, meaning you have a duty to deal with it and take care of it.'

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Please ensure your child has a coat with them everyday for school.

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DON'T FORGET

Diary Dates

19 Dec	Last day of term
05 Jan	School reopens
07 Jan	Y8 Parent consultations
15 Jan	Y6 Practice SATs - 15 th to 20 th Jan
21 Jan	Y8 Parent consultations
28 Jan	Y6 Parent consultations

The academic calendar for **2026/27** has been published for the Trust and Cluster schools. You can view it [here](#).



Reporting an ABSENCE

Please email
absence@parkfieldsschool.co.uk
each day to inform the office of the
reason your child is absent from school.

Thank you for your support!



**Thank you for your support of the school
over this autumn term.**

**Working together in partnership with
families is very important to us, our
Governors and our Trust.**

**We wish you all a very Merry Christmas
and a prosperous New Year!**



Proud to be part of

**PYRAMID
SCHOOLS TRUST**

PE & Sport



- Interhouse Basketball
- **Year8**
 - Ash 6-42 Oak
- **Year7**
 - Beech 6-20 Oak



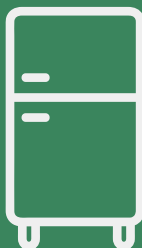
- **Inter School fixtures**
- Netball
 - **Year8** Parkfields lost to RBA
- Basketball
 - **Year8 Boys** Parkfields 25-16 Alameda
 - **Year8 Boys** Parkfields 43-22 Etonbury



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Toddington Community Fridge

will continue to open on Saturday mornings at Wilkinson Hall at 9.30am. Thank you to Cllr Andy Snape for organising these deliveries and to all the volunteers who collect the food from the supermarkets, sort it and transport it up to the Hall, and who help each Saturday.



REMEMBER!

**We return to school on
Monday 5th January.**

The Challenge Programme is on display in each classroom as well as the school website. Please encourage your child to avail themselves of these wide ranging opportunities.

