

Message from the Headteacher

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

As we move further into the summer term, the sense of **pride** I feel in our school community continues to grow. This edition is a true celebration of the 'Parkfields Spirit' — one that combines academia and creative flair with a deep commitment to inclusivity and sportsmanship.

I am thrilled to announce that Parkfields has been presented with two prestigious awards from **Barclays** in recognition of our commitment to **Equality in Football**. These awards celebrate schools that go above and beyond to ensure girls have equal access to the beautiful game, actively breaking down social, cultural, and economic barriers.

It has been a particularly busy period for my **Headteacher Commendations** in assembly. I have been blown away by the quality of work landing on my desk: Firstly, **Year 8 Writing** - the depth of thought and command of language was truly sophisticated. Secondly, the **Year 5 & Year 7 Art Enrichments** - our corridors are brighter thanks to the stunning work that has been produced. The creativity and technical skill on display from our artists is simply remarkable.

Our **cricketers** are certainly looking the part this season! I've had many comments on how smart our teams look in their **new whites**. There is something about wearing the kit with pride that translates into confidence on the field, and it is wonderful to see them representing the school so professionally.

Confidence of a different kind was on display during the Year 7 trip to the **National Gallery**. The artwork was inspiring and the children showed the knowledge. A bonus was a wonderful email I received from a member of the public which you can read overleaf. These moments remind me that our pupils are our **very best ambassadors**.

Finally, our **HIP** children were visited by the magnificent sounds of the **Alina Orchestra**. Having professional musicians visit the school offers an invaluable experience for our students, providing them with a 'front row seat' to the power of live performance. This is addition to our **Y8 Music Leaders** performing so well in assembly.

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

Have a great weekend.

Mr. J Hughes

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Our current value is... respect

'...a positive feeling of esteem, admiration, or consideration shown towards someone or something deemed important.'



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DON'T FORGET

Diary Dates

4th May	Bank Holiday - school closed
6th May	Trust Partner Review
11 th May	SATs week - Year 6
22nd May	Half term ends
1st June	Summer 2 begins HPV catch up clinic - Y8
12th June	Arts' Festival



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



Positive Feedback



Dear Mr. Hughes,

I am writing to you following my wife and my visit to London yesterday.

We spent a couple of hours at the National Gallery and throughout our visit came across students from your school in the various rooms. Without exception, the groups that we saw were quietly but enthusiastically getting on with their tasks, whether there was a member of staff near them or not. What was particularly impressive was their understanding of the needs of the many members of the public who were there wanting to enjoy their own visits as much as your students. To summarise they were a credit to themselves and their school.

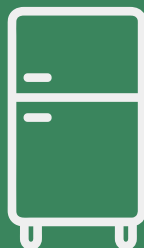
It has given me particular pleasure to write this as my entire career was in 9-13 middle schools in Staffordshire and Somerset. Your students are great examples of the many benefits of the three tier system, which I wish had become more prevalent.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely, Tony

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.



Reporting an

ABSENCE

Please email

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

PE & Sport

• Inter School fixtures

• Cricket

- KS3

- Parkfields (73-1) beat Henlow (65-4) by 8 runs

• Athletics

- KS3

- Boys Parkfields 77, Alameda 76, Woodland 54
- Girls Alameda 63, Woodland 60, Parkfields 57



REMEMBER!

The Arts' Festival is on
Friday 12th June.

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.



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