

Park Junior School Newsletter



Newsletter Friday 14th November 2025

Our school newsletter to keep you up to date with the latest news from PJS.

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Headteacher's Latest News



It has been a really enjoyable start to the new half term and it was a pleasure seeing so many of you at this week's parents' evenings. It was great to see such a constructive atmosphere and excellent working partnerships between home and school. Thank you for the support you all offer our school and being so involved in school life. If you were not able to come along and make an appointment, please feel free to contact the school office and we will put you in contact with your child's teacher.

All the children had their annual school photo taken this week and please look out for an email from Tempest for ordering purposes. Thank you for your support in ensuring they were all looking so smart for their photos. School uniform plays such an important part in setting the high standards at our school and we are grateful for your continued support with this.

Well done to the 23 children from Year 6 who successfully completed their Bikeability Stage 2 this week. You may have seen them around the streets of Wellingborough and I am sure they will be much safer for this qualification.

Thank you to all the kind donations for Children In Need today. Lots of children wore Pudsey merchandise and there are a couple of great photos on Facebook of them.

We are very excited about Monday evening where 42 children from our Year 4 – 6 choir will be performing on stage at The Castle Theatre. This is for the Seasonal Concert and we are performing with 4 other schools. It is always an excellent occasion all organised kindly by

the Wellingborough Rotary Club. A huge thank you to Miss Love's dedication and commitment in preparing the children so very well for this occasion.

Good luck to the 48 children who are going to the East Northants Cross Country championships at Croyland Park on Wednesday next week. There will be around 30 other schools taking part and is always a very popular occasion. Let's hope the weather improves from today otherwise it could be rather muddy! Parents and carers are more than welcome to come along and spectate.

Year 6 are interviewing BBC political correspondent, Chris Mason, on Monday morning. They have some great questions prepared and I am sure they will be scrutinising his life as a journalist.

We are very busy with final arrangements for all our Christmas events. Please see diary dates for more information. We have Year 3 Christmas Show, theatre visit to The Castle, Christmas Disco, Christmas Party, Christmas Concert, Christmas lunch and Christmas Jumper day. All of these will be very special occasions.

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend and, as always, thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours truly,

David Tebbutt

Dates for this term

Monday 17th November

Rotary Club Seasonal Concert for Year 4-6 Choir at The Castle 6.15pm - 8.30pm - tickets available from The Castle Box Office

Tuesday 18th November

Local Governing Body meeting 6.00pm

Wednesday 19th November

Cross Country at Croyland Park am

Thursday 27th November

Year 5 swimming finishes

Monday 1st December

Book Fair arrives open every day at 3.30pm until Friday 5th December

Tuesday 9th December

Year 3 Building Club finishes

Thursday 11th December

Year 3 Christmas Production 6.00pm

Friday 12th December

Year 6 choir visit to Lancum House pm

Monday 15th December

Christmas Disco 3.30pm - 5.00pm

No after school clubs

Tuesday 16th December

Beauty and the Beast pantomime at The Castle pm

Wednesday 17th December

Christmas Concert 6.00pm in school hall

Thursday 18th December

Christmas Jumper Day

Dolce Christmas Lunch

Christmas Party afternoon

Friday 19th December

School Closes 3.30pm for end of term break

Monday 5th January 2026

Training Day

Tuesday 6th January

School opens 8.50am

Headteachers Awards

Head Teacher Awards for Friday 7th November 2025

3JW – Faris for AMBITION – Faris tries hard in all aspects of school and is always an ambitious child who always strives to do his best in everything he does. He approaches every task with enthusiasm and determination, never giving up when faced with challenges and his positive attitude and polite manners always makes him a pleasure to be around.

3JW – Jasmine for PERSEVERANCE – Jasmine’s perseverance and positive mindset is superb! There are areas that Jasmine finds hard, but she is always ready to give every challenge a go and for these qualities she needs to be commended.

3KY – Kacper for AMBITION - Kacper is showing real determination to improve his writing. He listens carefully to advice in lessons and works hard to put it into practice. He is making a real effort to use ambitious phrases and vocabulary to make his writing shine. Well done for your fantastic effort and positive attitude.

3KY – Orla for RESPONSIBILITY - Orla is a great member of 3KY who always does the right thing and sets a wonderful example for others. She takes her learning seriously and always gives her best effort. Her positive attitude and commitment are helping her produce some truly fantastic work.

4VdB – Harvey for AMBITION – Harvey is an able mathematician, producing accurate work in maths lessons. He often pushes himself to achieve over and above the work that is expected from him and he enjoys extending his thinking in maths challenges.

4JD – Maddie for AMBITION - Maddie is a talented writer who has confidently embraced the new tools introduced in Year 4, using them to elevate her work even further. Her ambitious approach shines across the curriculum, and she is consistently raising the bar with her effort and enthusiasm.

4JD - Khadijah for KINDNESS - Khadijah is consistently thoughtful and selfless, always putting others first. Whether it’s helping with classroom tasks or offering detailed support to her partner, she approaches everything with care and reliability. Her kindness makes a real difference, and it’s truly valued by everyone in 4JD.

5VT – Al Farhan for AMBITION – Al Farhan has shown an amazing amount of ambition in the way he is tackling his lessons. I have been impressed with his attention to detail and the way he joins in with discussion more.

5VT – Noah for RESPONSIBILITY – Noah has taken responsibility for his learning behaviour and is pushing himself to participate more in lessons. I am very proud of this change and support him wholeheartedly.

5LL – Amelia for AMBITION - Amelia impresses me every single day with her focus and presentation. Her homework last term showed brilliant understanding of our work in class and a passion for her learning.

5LL – Elissia for RESPONSIBILITY - For demonstrating increased responsibility by being punctual and organised, showing readiness to learn and a positive attitude towards her learning.

6HM / 6JM -Jasper for AMBITION - Jasper produced a brilliantly ambitious tinker cad Gingerbread house this week during computing. He applied all of the skills we covered in

class over the last few weeks and even confidently showcased his work to the whole class, something I am so proud of. Well done Jasper.

6HM / 6JM – Barney for RESPONSIBILITY - Barney has shown real amounts of responsibility this week in all areas of the curriculum. Particularly, he has worked incredibly hard on his writing and produced a superb setting description in English. Also, when faced with the annoying situation of losing his work during computing, he restarted and kept going, not allowing the situation to change his behaviour for which I am super impressed.

6SM – Leo for AMBITION - Leo is working incredibly hard in all areas of school life and is reaping the benefits. He has recently written a superb piece of writing based on Hansel and Gretel and the improvement in all areas is phenomenal.

6SM – Eleanor for PERSEVERANCE- I was so impressed with Eleanor's attitude towards the recent tests we did, she put her head down and got on with all of them as best she could, never putting in less than 100% effort, Mrs Howes also noticed this when she went out in a group. Keep it up, you're doing fantastically.

Head Teacher Awards for Friday 14th November 2025

3JW – Oliver for RESPONSIBILITY – Oliver is a responsible and attentive learner who consistently puts forth his best effort in all subject areas. His positive attitude and dedication to all his work sets a wonderful example to his classmates.

3JW – Iyaaz for KINDNESS - Iyaaz continually demonstrates kindness and helpfulness in all that he does. His calm focus and positive attitude contribute greatly to my classroom, and he can always be relied upon to help anyone in need, including the adults in the room. He is the personification of a gentleman.

3KY – Harry for RESPONSIBILITY - Harry has returned back to school after the break with a refreshed outlook towards his schooling. He is showing me that he is ready to learn, contributing well in lessons and taking much more care and responsibility with his work. Well done Harry!

3KY – Ziyang for AMBITION - Ziyang has joined us this year and has been a great addition to 3KY. He works hard and is starting to contribute more in lessons giving some brilliant and ambitious reasoning and problem solving answers in our Maths lessons. His explanations are always clear and well thought out. Well done Ziyang!

4VdB – Felix for RESPONSIBILITY – Felix has been taking more responsibility within his learning recently. It is lovely to see him becoming more independent in lessons.

4VdB – Alyssa for PERSEVERANCE – Alyssa always tries hard in her lessons, producing some lovely work in her books. She listens to any advice that is given to her and will persevere to get her work correct if an error is pointed out to her.

4VdB – Maya for RESPONSIBILITY – I am always impressed with the work Maya produces in lessons. She tries hard to make sure her work is accurate and beautifully presented in her books, making it a pleasure to read and mark.

4JD – Albie for PERSEVERANCE – Albie has shown remarkable growth during his time in Year 4. His dedication to presenting his work with care and precision has been truly impressive. He also wowed us with his focus and determination in gymnastics, particularly when performing a pencil roll with excellent body tension and form. A big well done to Albie!

4JD - Enisa for RESPONSIBILITY – Enisa is a quiet yet highly focused member of 4JD, someone I can always rely on without hesitation. Her attitude towards learning is exemplary—she consistently demonstrates a strong sense of responsibility, ensuring she both gains and contributes the very best in every lesson.

5VT – Yusuf for PERSEVERANCE the perseverance he has demonstrated when working on his behaviour for learning. I am very proud of the difference he has made. Keep up the good work.

5LL – Elizabete for RESPONSIBILITY - For always showing great responsibility by being ready to learn, working hard, and setting a wonderful example for others to follow.

5LL – Ruby for KINDNESS - For consistently showing kindness and compassion, always offering a helping hand, and making our school a happier place for everyone around her.

6HM / 6JM -Jayda for AMBITION – Jayda puts her all into everything that she does but I particularly noticed how driven she has been in her writing this week. She listens carefully to all our teaching and ensures that she does her best to include new learning in her current writing. An excellent student. Keep it up Jayda.

6HM / 6JM - Lian for AMBITION – We could have given Lian a head teacher’s award several times over this year for his ambitious writing. He tries so hard in English lessons to take on board the new grammar we are learning and apply it to his own writing. The result has been some super pieces so far this year. Can’t wait for more!

6SM – Sulaiman for KINDNESS - Sulaiman is a kindhearted boy who is always looking out for his friends and those around him. He always offers to help and has exceptional manners inside and outside the classroom.

6SM – Scarlett for RESPONSIBILITY - Scarlett is someone who can always be trusted with a job. She has a growing list of responsibilities within school, including being a school councillor and an assembly monitor and is eager and willing to do them.

PE Days

Year 3 - Wednesday / Friday

Year 4 - Tuesday / Wednesday

Year 5 - Thursday (swimming to 27th November) / Friday

Year 6 - Monday / Wednesday

Attendance

November

3JW - 96.9%

3KY - 94.2%

4JD - 96.0%

4VdB - 95.8%

5LL - 95.6%

5VT - 93.7%

6HM/6JM - 94.6%

6SM - 94.3%

Average - 95.1%

1st - 3JW 96.9% - AMAZING!

2nd - 4JD - 96.0% - BRILLIANT!

3rd - 4VdB - 95.8% - FANTASTIC!

Achievements

Thank you for all the kind donations for Children in Need today. Some of our children are wearing Pudsey clothes and all look great!





Our Year 6 Bikeability children have been out on the roads practising everything they learnt this week.



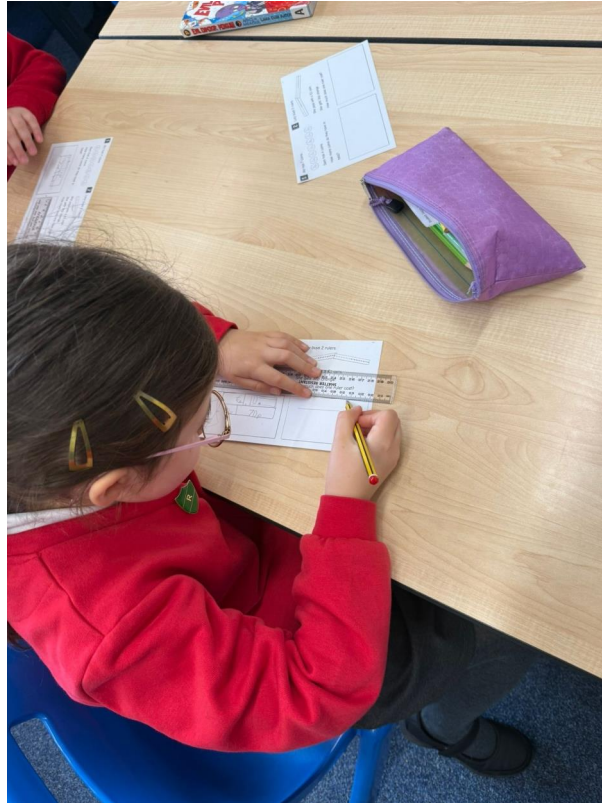


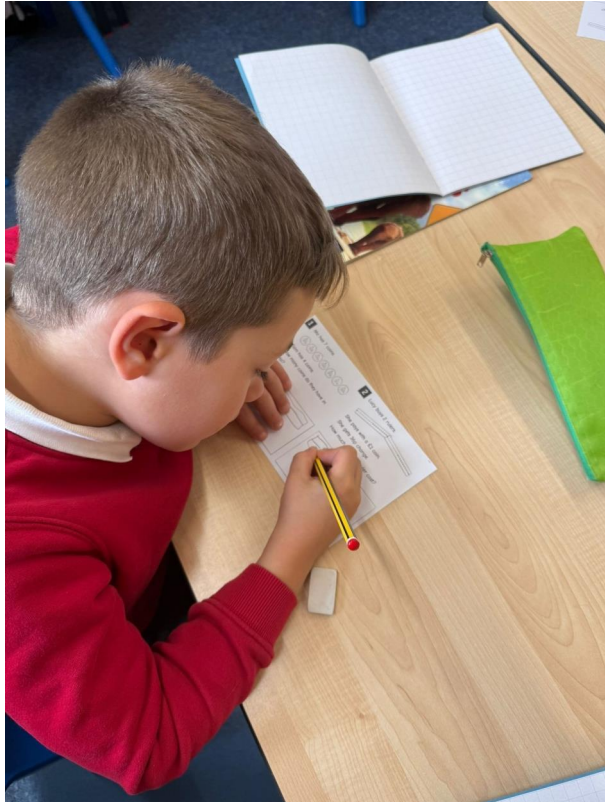
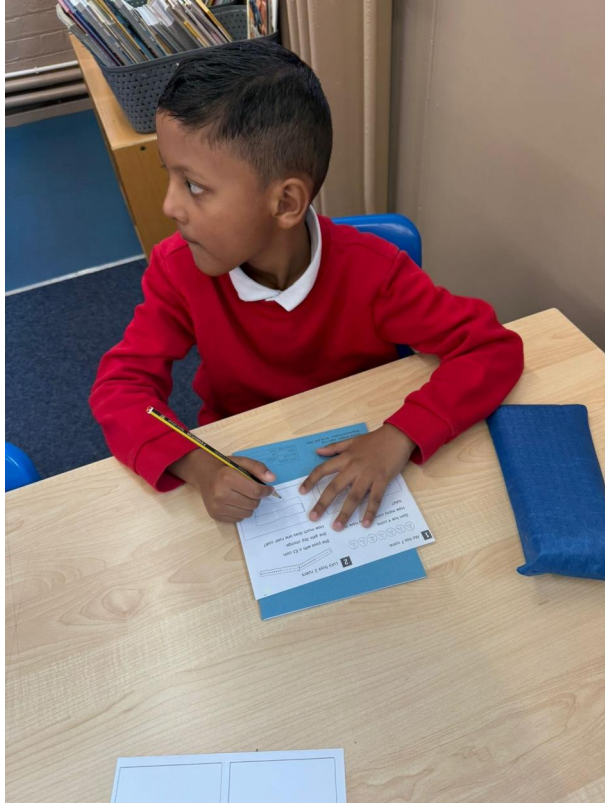




Super Work

It's Barvember this month. This is when each class will be using bar models to solve maths problems throughout the month. 3KY have made a great start!







Year 3 and 4 have had their first gymnastics lessons of the year at the Drill Hall. We are very lucky to have use of this excellent facility. Here are some photos of 3JW in action.

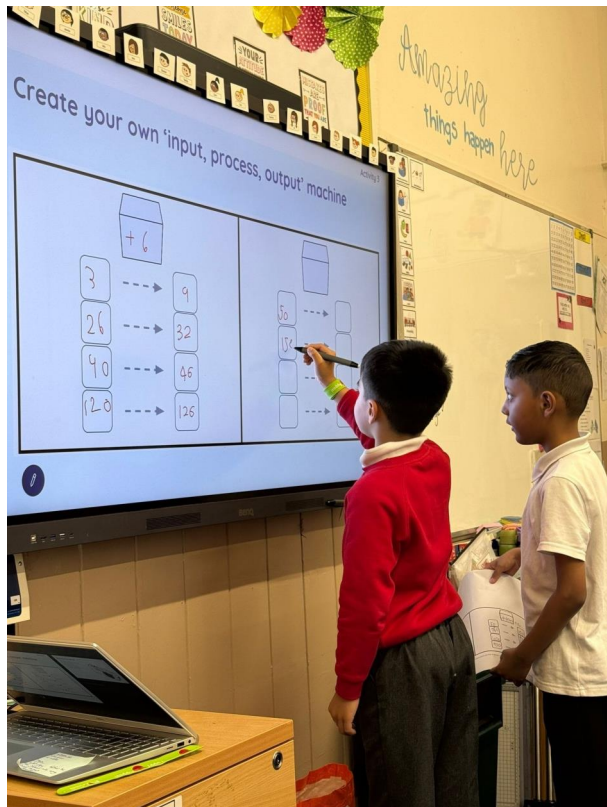
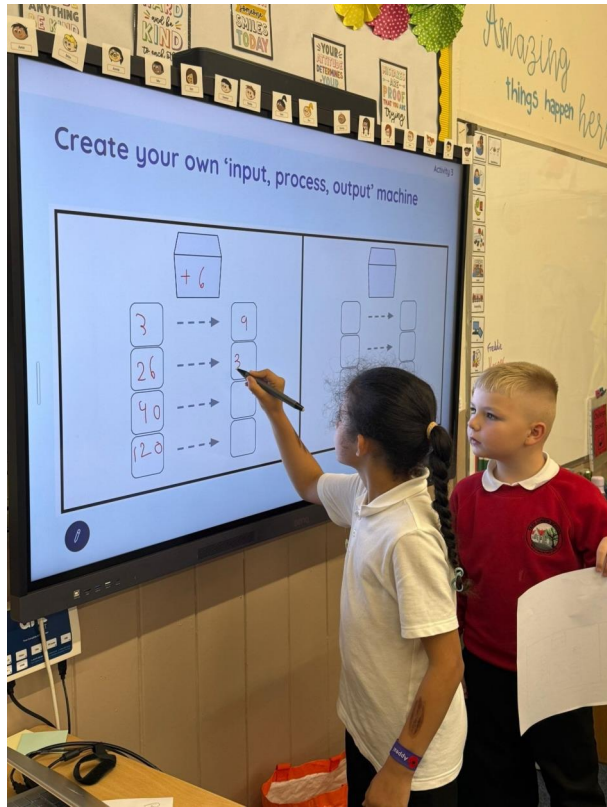


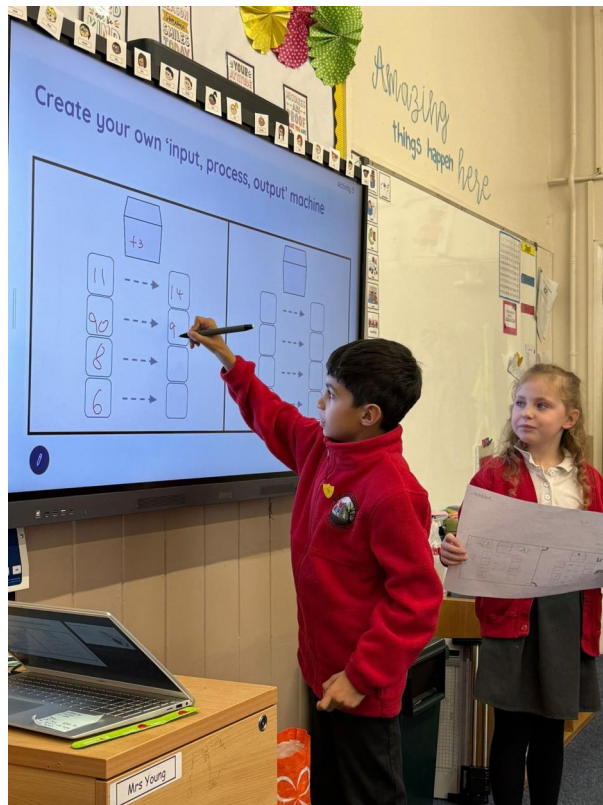
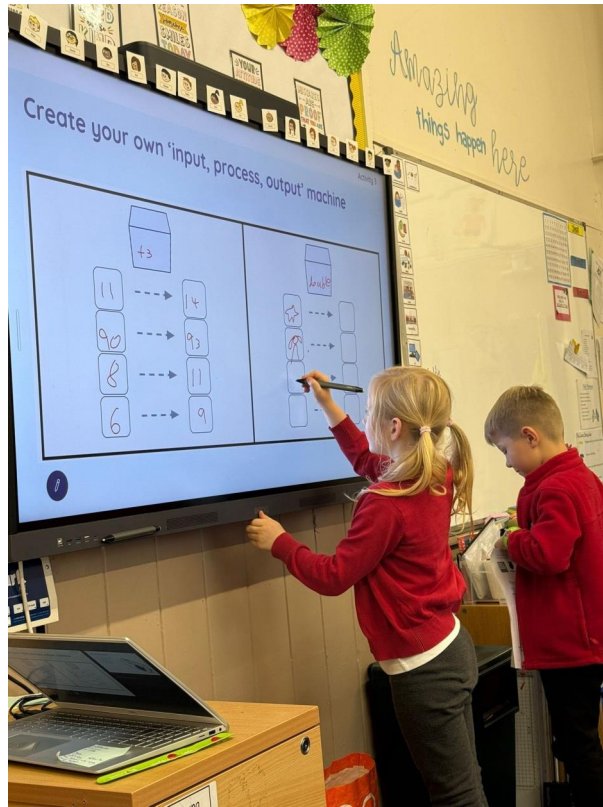


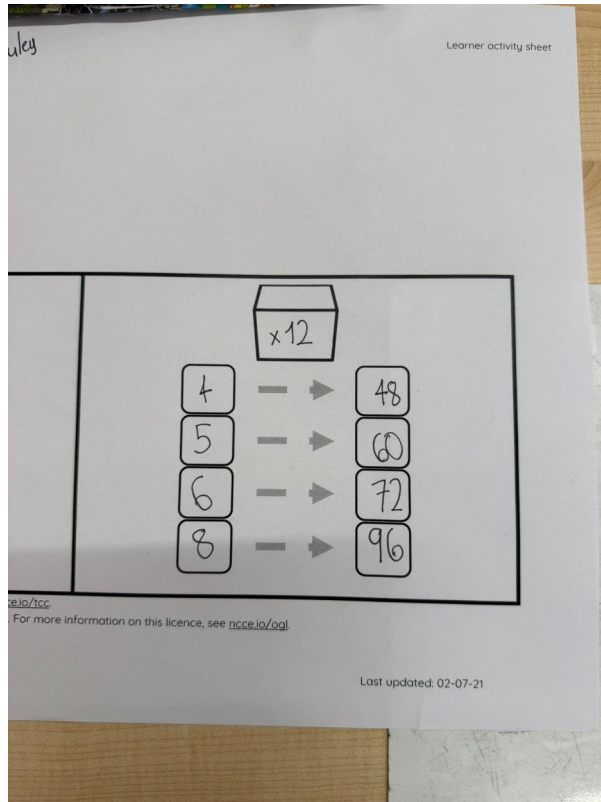




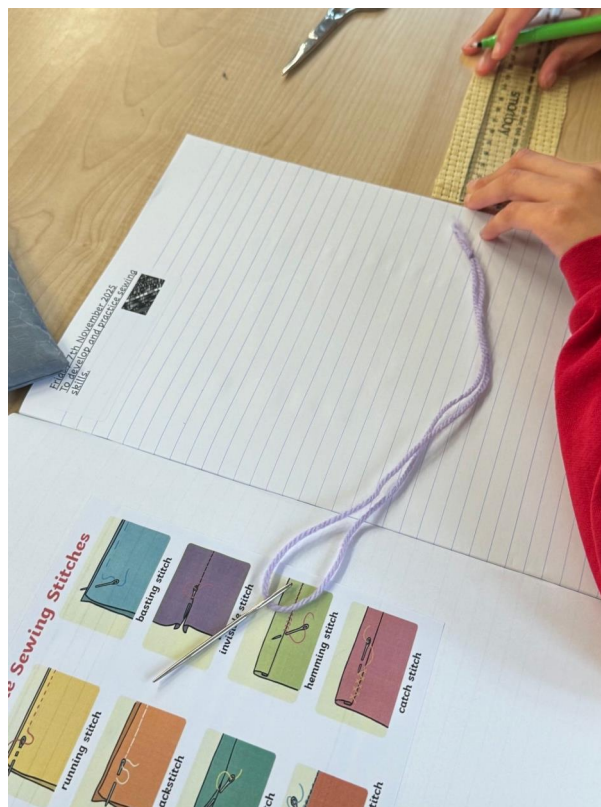
3KY were learning about digital devices in their ICT lesson this week and how there is input, process and output. Well done everyone.

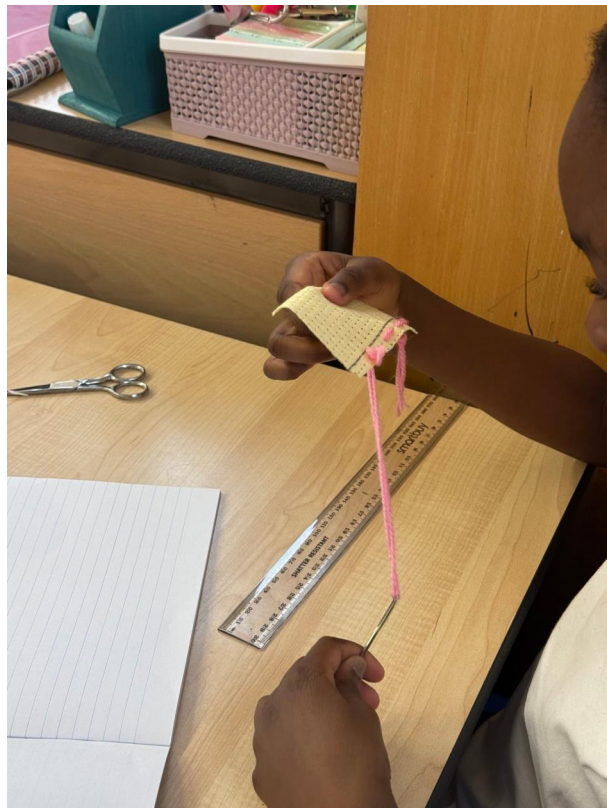
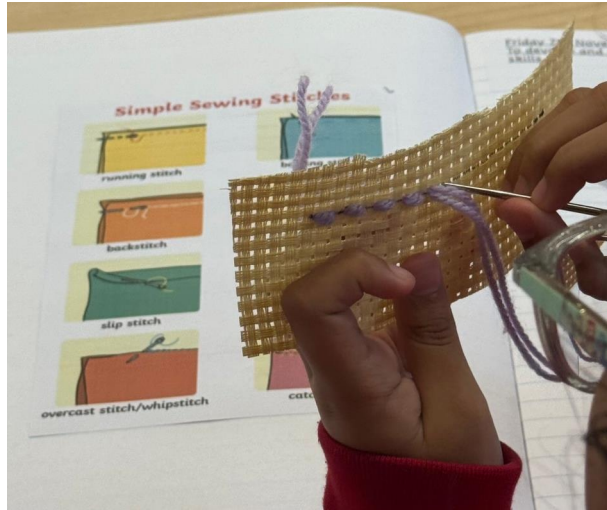


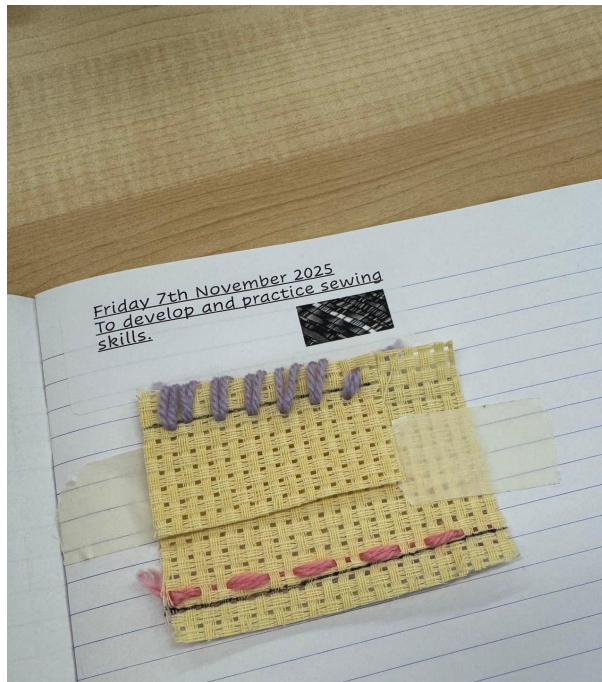
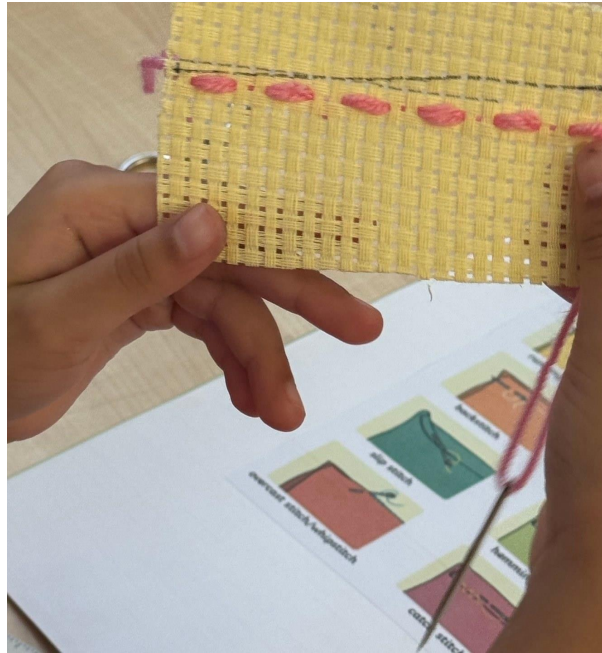




3JW have had their first Design Technology lesson this week involving textiles and sewing. They have been threading and using running and over stitch. Well done all.







Year 5 took part in Michael Rosen day with the Big Poetry Party.

They were able to live stream Michael Rosen sharing some poetry and answering questions.

Following this they created their own poetry for performance.

We were so proud of how many children enthusiastically performed their own poem.





Chocolate truffles for The Chocolate Touch by Patrick Skene Catling this week at Year 6 Book and Bake club.







Musician of the Month

HOME INFORMATION

November's Musician of the Month

BJÖRK

Now Playing

SPOTIFY

3:14 3:13

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Books to read...

YouTube

Watch and decide the Earth. Discover official music videos.

About: Guðmundsdóttir (born 21 November 1965) is an Icelandic singer, songwriter, composer, record producer, and actress. Noted for her distinct three-octave vocal range, fashion status and eccentric persona, she has developed an eclectic musical style over her four-decade career that has drawn on a range of genres.

Genres: Electronic, Pop and Experimental

Active from: 1975 - Present

Origin: Reykjavik, Iceland

If you like Björk, try...

- Florence and the Machine
- Wednesday Campanella
- Bat For Lashes

Extra Curricular Clubs

Club	Day	Year Group	Leader	Where	Time
Choir	Monday	4 - 6	LL	Hall	3.30pm-4.15pm
Choir	Monday	3	KY	3KY classroom	3.30pm-4.15pm
Netball	Monday	5 and 6	SM	Playground	3.30pm-4.15pm
Art	Monday	3 and 4	JW	3JW classroom	3.30pm-4.15pm
Building	Tuesday	3	JM VdB	6HM JMc classroom	3.30pm-4.15pm
Running	Tuesday	4	JD	Playground	3.30pm-4.15pm
Writing	Tuesday	5 and 6	VT	VT classroom	3.30pm-4.15pm
Basketball	Wednesday	All years	Titans	Playground	8.00am-8.45am
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Football	Thursday	5 and 6	DT	Playground	3.30pm-4.15pm
Book and Bake	Thursday	6	JMc	6HM JMc classroom	3.30pm-4.15pm
Basketball	Friday	All years	Titans	Playground	8.00am-8.45am

School Lunches

We use Dolce Catering to provide all our hot school meals to the children.

Meals are ordered on SchoolGrid. Please contact the school office if you require any further information.

Please remember meals must be ordered and paid for in advance or we will be unable to provide a meal for your child.

WORLD TRADITIONAL SPRING

Mega Mondays

Around the World

Roast Wednesday

School Favourites

Fishy Fridays

SAMPLE MENU

WEEK 1

- Hand-dressed Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V)
- Vegetable Korma with Rice (VG)
- Five Bean Curry & Homemade Tortilla Chips (VG)
- Jacket Potato with Choice of Filling
- Sausage and Potato Wedges (VG) (GF)
- Sweetcorn (VG) (GF), Green Beans (VG)
- (GF) Salad Bar (VG) (GF), Homemade Bread (V)
- Chocolate Ice Cream Roll (V), Vanilla Cookie (VG)
- Fresh Fruit (VG) (GF), Fruit Yoghurt (V)

WEEK 2

- Hand-dressed Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V)
- Plant Based Spaghetti Bolognese (VG)
- Coconut Lentil & Chickpea Curry with Wholegrain Rice (VG) (GF)
- Jacket Potato with Choice of Filling
- Over Baked Jacket Wedges (VG) (GF)
- Mashed Sweetcorn (VG) (GF), Garden Peas (VG) (GF)
- Salad Bar (VG) (GF), Homemade Bread (V)
- Vanilla Ice Cream (V) (GF), Lemon Cookie (VG)
- Fresh Fruit (VG) (GF), Fruit Yoghurt (V)

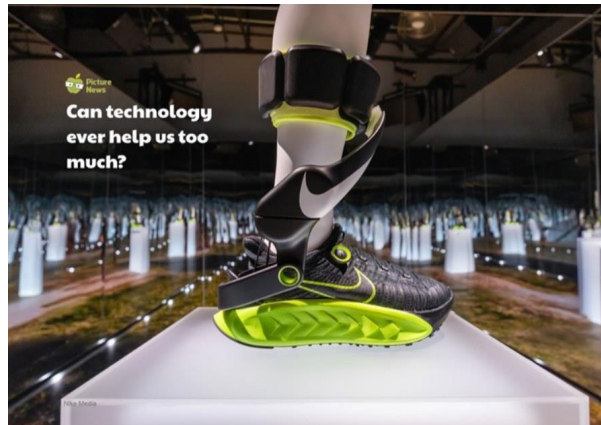
WEEK 3

- Hand-dressed Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V)
- Pasta Napolean (VG)
- Beans Bean Quinoa (V)
- Jacket Potato with Choice of Filling
- Over Baked Jacket Wedges (VG) (GF)
- Sweetcorn (VG) (GF), Green Beans (VG) (GF)
- Salad Bar (VG) (GF), Homemade Bread (V)
- Chocolate Ice Cream (V), Traditional Flapjack (VG)
- Fresh Fruit (VG) (GF), Fruit Yoghurt (V)

Picture News

Each week the children discuss the latest topical areas that are in the news.

Here is this week's debate.



Park Junior School Lottery

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Friends of Park Junior School have been running a school lottery for the last six years and any profits have allowed them to fund additional items for the children. Many thanks to all the parents and carers who have continued to support the school and if you are interested in joining please go to www.yourschoollottery.co.uk¹ to register and play. Ticket sales are averaging 35 a week. We would very much like to improve this. More tickets sold means more profits to the school. The draw takes place on Saturdays. All of our profit goes to OUR school! A GUARANTEED prize to someone on our supporter list every week!

Start supporting *NOW* for only £1 a week!

A further chance of winning £25,000 in a separate draw every week.



¹<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/>

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ABINGTON PDC, NORTHAMPTON 22 & 23 DECEMBER 5 JANUARY	SPRATTON PRIMARY, NORTHAMPTON 22 & 23 DECEMBER 2 JANUARY
REDWELL PRIMARY, WELLINGBOROUGH 22 & 23 DECEMBER 2 & 5 JANUARY	HALL MEADOW PRIMARY, KETTERING 22 & 23 DECEMBER 2 JANUARY

**9AM - 4PM
£27.50 PER DAY**



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