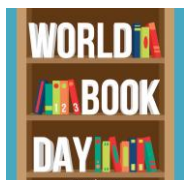


# PARKSIDE PRIMARY ACADEMY



## NEWSLETTER 13 FEBRUARY 2026

**Please note:** the dates and events listed below are correct at the time of printing. You will be notified of any changes.



### WORLD BOOK DAY AT PARKSIDE FRIDAY 6 MARCH 2026

World Book Day at Parkside will be **FRIDAY 6 March 2026**. Therefore, we are inviting the children to dress as their favourite book character, for a suggested donation of £1.00, Which will help towards school funds. Your generosity is always appreciated.

Most schools will have their World Book Day on the Thursday. Our Year 4 Swimming Day is Thursday and its difficult enough for the children to change back into their uniform without them being dressed as the Harry Potter or Where's Wally!

Be creative; do not feel the need to spend on costumes. Look online to get some fantastic ideas. Homemade is the future.

Please think about the type of costume you get your child. Buttons and fastenings can be really tricky for all of us. We have had some all-in-one; gloved superhero outfits the children find extremely difficult to go to the bathroom in and wash their hands.

We can't wait to see your amazing outfits.



### BOOK FAIR AT PARKSIDE

The Scholastic Book Fair is once again coming to Parkside. From Monday 16 March – Friday morning only 20 March. Sessions are 8.15 am – 8.30 am daily, 3.15 pm – 3.30 pm Monday – Thursday. As you know they sell some wonderful books. Payment can be cash, card or apple pay. Come along and take a look.



### RED NOSE DAY AT PARKSIDE

Parkside will be celebrating Red Nose Day, **Friday 20 March 2026**. On this day for a minimum £1.00 donation to the charity, children can come in non-uniform. A little bit of red would be great somewhere in the outfit.

Remember it's still cold sensible clothing and shoes please.

Be creative make your own Red Nose t-shirt. Did you know, when you buy a branded charity t-shirt only a small percentage of the cost goes to the charity, sometimes only 10%.

### EASTER DISCOS

The last week of this next half term we will be holding our discos. Please note there will be no afterschool clubs this last week.

Monday 23 March – F2, Y1 & Y2

Tuesday 24 March – Y3 & 4

Wednesday 25 March – Y5 & 6

**£3.00** per child includes a snack and drink and lots of fun. 3.10 pm – 4.10 pm.



### EASTER BONNET COMPETITION

We are excited to be bringing back our Easter Bonnet competition. It will take place Thursday 26 March. Creations can be brought in to school the week commencing Monday 23 March.

For a £1.00 donation we would love the children to take part and create their own Easter bonnet at home. The more creative the better, there are some amazing ideas online.

The children will then take part in a special Easter parade to showcase their wonderful creations, and prizes will be awarded for effort, creativity and originality. Weather permitting, we will be inviting parents/carers to come along at the end of the day to watch the parade. Unfortunately, it will be a last-minute invite as you know our weather is very, very unpredictable. If the weather is too bad the Parade will be held in school just for the children, sorry.

We are really looking forward to seeing some fantastic designs. Remember, the children will be wearing them!



### CHOCOLATE EASTER RAFFLE

We will be having an Easter raffle, which will be drawn Friday 27 March.

Our staff will be donating lots of prizes but, if possible, we would also greatly appreciate any donations from you of:

- Chocolate/Easter eggs
- Sweets of any kind

Please remember, no nut products of any kind. We have a number of staff and pupils with severe allergies.

All donations can be brought into school and handed to the office. The closing date for donations will be Thursday 26 March.

Thank you for your continued support – all funds raised will help support our school activities and events.

Good luck to everyone who enters.



### **CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS 12 MARCH 2026**

Any pupils who were ill on the day of the individual photographs in November will have their photograph taken.

### KINGSWOOD RESIDENTIAL

We are delighted to share what an incredible experience our visit to Kingswood Dearne Valley was. From the moment Parkside pupils arrived they were straight into their first activity. They have been climbing, problem-solving, taking part in team building activities and all with a have a go attitude and wonderful support for one another.

As always, our pupils were excellent ambassadors for the school. Their behaviour, manners and positive attitudes were commented on by staff at the centre, and we couldn't be prouder of the way they represented Parkside.

A **massive thank you** must go to Mrs Mann, Mr Howden, Miss Crowther, Miss Lindley-Wood, Miss Sellars and Mr Bailey who volunteered their time to make this residential possible.

Well done to all involved – what a fantastic trip and a set of memories that will last a lifetime!