



5th September 2025

HIPPS Newsletter



Headteacher update

What an exciting week we have had in school.

Our new Reception children have come in brilliantly and today on seeing them all sitting on the carpet this morning, listening to a story, it was like they had been with us forever. We have been focusing this week on asking and answering questions politely and they have done this so well.

Parents/carers be warned however that they are likely to be very tired (and possibly a little bit grumpy) at the weekend.

This week I have been looking at the presentation of work in books and almost all of the children have set themselves very high standards in their Maths and English books to live up to! Look at our Year 1 children busy practising their number formation above!

Jonathan Newman,
Headteacher

Parking and the Turning Circle

We are aware that we have a significant number of parents/ carers who are using the turning circle on a regular basis without a permit. From Monday Mr Niemczyk, our caretaker, will be on the gates and you will be turned away unless you have a permit. These are only issued to parents/carers with children with additional needs or where parents/carers themselves have mobility issues.

Driving from another village or having children in Reception classes is not a reason to use the turning circle.

We would be grateful if those parents/carers who do have a permit try and minimise the number of days you use the turning circle, where possible and we would strongly encourage children in Years 5 and 6 to be given the opportunity to walk the last bit of their journey to school in preparation for secondary school. In addition, those children walking to school should use the main pedestrian entrance by the crossing rather than coming through the turning circle.

We are in the process of reestablishing a parent/school travel group to look at supporting safer and sustainable travel to school. We would welcome anyone who feels they could contribute to this. We would probably meet no more than once every half term either online or in person. Please contact the school office if you are interested.

Year Group Updates

In the key dates for the year, we have added a number of events!

Reception, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 will be holding showcase assemblies at different points in the year to share some of their learning. We invite parents/carers to join us for these sessions and there will be an opportunity following these sessions to visit classrooms to look at the children's books. Year One will be performing the Nativity for parents/carers and Year 6 will be doing their end of year production for parents/carers

We have also added the date and timings for Sports Day next May.

Reception

Please remember that we are hosting a Reception information session this coming Wednesday, 17th September at 2:30. All parents and carers of children in Reception are welcome to attend. We will be looking at how you can support your child with their phonics and maths over the coming months.

Key Stage One

All the children in Key Stage 1 have been studying the book 'The Pet Potato' as part of their English work. Each class adopted their own potato and Class 4's was called Pedro. They have talked about kernel sentences and have produced some super writing.

Key Stage Two

Key Stage 2 have all started P.E sessions with Mr Carmanati and have absolutely loved these. The feedback from these have been amazing. We are so lucky to have such brilliant specialist provision with Mr Carmanati and Mrs Norman. Mr Carmanati is planning to run some before and after school clubs which we are very excited about!

Reminders

Lunches must be ordered by Wednesday for the following week using the MCAS app.

Children must not wear earrings for P.E. Ears cannot be taped to cover earrings so they must be removed. If children cannot do this themselves, parents should remove at home. If ears are newly pierced and earrings cannot be removed, children will have to observe P.E lessons as they cannot join in due to Health and Safety guidance.



Key Dates

Monday 15th September	1pm	Year 5/6 Choir at Homerton
Monday 15th September	pm	Year One Forest School
Wednesday 17th September	2.30pm	Reception Parents information session-(more information to follow)
Monday 29th September	Morning	Individual School Photos
Monday 29th September	pm	Year One Forest School
Monday 29th September		Harvest donations into school
Tuesday 30th September		Flu Vaccines (More information to come)
Tuesday 30th September	2.45pm	Harvest Assembly with the St Andrew's Team
Monday 13th October	pm	Year One Forest School
Friday 17th October	All Day	Year 4 Bikeability
Tuesday 21st/Wednesday 22nd October	After School	Parents Evening
Thursday 23rd October	All Day	Year 5/6 Trip to Black Country Museum
Monday 27th October-Friday 31st October		Half Term
Monday 3rd November		Training Day

Tuesday 4th November –Friday 7th November		Year 5/6 Bikeability for booked pupils
Monday 17th November		Year One Forest School
Monday 17th November	2.45pm	Year 5 Showcase Assembly and Open Classroom
Monday 1st December	pm	Year One Forest School
Thursday 4th December	all day	Year 5/6 Choir Concert-Holiday at Home-Baptist Church
Friday 12th December		Christmas Jumper Day, Santa Dash, Christmas Lunch and PTFA Christmas Fair
Monday 15th December	All Day	Year One Forest School
Monday 15th December	5pm	Year 5/6 Choir at West Road
Tuesday 16th December	9.30am	Year One Nativity To Parents
Friday 19th December		Last Day of Term
Tuesday 6th January 2026		Back to School
Tuesday 20th January 2026	All day	Young Voices-both choirs

Monday 2nd February 2026	2.45pm	Year 4 Showcase Assembly and Open Classrooms
Wednesday 25th March	9.15am	Reception Showcase Assembly
Monday 27th April	2.45pm	Year 3 Showcase Assembly and Open Classroom
Monday 11th May-Thursday 14th May	9.15-11.00	Year 6 SATS Week
Tuesday 19th May	9.15-11.00	Reception/Key Stage One Sports Day
Tuesday 19th May	1.30-3.15	Key Stage Two Sports Day
Monday 1st June-Wednesday 3rd June		Year 6 Residential
Monday 15th June	2.45pm	Year 2 Showcase Assembly and Open Classroom
Monday 15th June	After school	Year 1 Open Classroom
Friday 26th June	After School	Summer Fair

Harvest Festival

We will be supporting Jimmy's Night Shelter as part of our Harvest celebrations.

We will be asking for donations to be bought in on Monday 29th September. These donations will be collected on Tuesday 30th September.

St Andrew's Church will be coming for an assembly with us on the Tuesday as well!

Please see the donation suggestions!



**HARVEST FESTIVAL
DONATION SUGGESTIONS**

Drinks	Other
Long Life Milk	Pot noodles
Squash/Soft Drinks	Vegan food
Coffee/Coffee Mate	Gluten free food
Drinking Chocolate	Jam/peanut butter
Tinned Goods	
Fish eg Tuna	Chocolate spread/marmite
Meat eg Corned beef	Biscuits/Chocolate Bars
Baked beans	Cereal
Tomatoes	Cake mix kits for easy baking projects
Veg	Non-Food Items
Fruit	Toiletries (not feminine hygiene products)
Custard	Cleaning products ie laundry detergent, cloths, sprays, wipes
Rice Pudding	Tea towels
Meals in a tin	
Condiments/ingredients	
Salt & Pepper	"Since being at Jimmy's I feel cared for. I have felt hopeful for the future and feel safe"
Herbs	
Stock Cubes	
Ketchup, mayo etc	
Cooking/Pasta sauces	
Cooking Oil	
Sugar	

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Park Primary School**

OPEN DAYS

FOR PROSPECTIVE PARENTS/CARERS OF CHILDREN
STARTING RECEPTION IN SEPTEMBER 2026.

TUESDAY 7TH OCTOBER 2025 9.30AM-10.30AM

MONDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2025 9.30AM-10.30AM

FRIDAY 17TH OCTOBER 2025 9.30AM-10.30AM

THURSDAY 6TH NOVEMBER 2025 5.00PM-6.00PM

WEDNESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2025 9.30AM-10.30AM

**PLEASE EMAIL: OFFICE@PARKPRIMARY.CO.UK
OR PHONE: 01223 568826 TO BOOK A PLACE!**

Meridian Trust

School Tours

We have dates booked for tours for prospective parents/carers of children starting Reception in September 2026.

Please share these with friends and family who are looking for school places.

If you have a child who is due to start school next September, you can now make your school application via the Cambridgeshire Admissions Portal.

Christmas Card Project



This year, we will be taking part in the fundraising project where children will create their own Christmas design which can be purchased in the form of cards, mugs, wrapping paper, gift tags and more! These designs will be coming home next week and orders will need to be placed by Monday 29th September!

Don't forget to follow the PTFA Facebook Page!



Meridian Trust News

Visit our Trust Website to read about what has been happening at Meridian!

[Read more here](#)



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Are you or your family looking for a new role?

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See a list of our current opportunities on our website:

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