Parkview Primary School

Newsletter

August 2025



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Head Teacher: Steve Philson

Head Teacher's Message

A very warm welcome back to the children and families of Parkview Primary. We have had fantastic start to the school session, with children settling into their routines incredibly well! Throughout my learning walks, it has been wonderful to see the engagement with learning and quality of work being produced.

I extend a further welcome to our wonderful new cohort of Primary 1 children and their families. The transition from Nursery to Primary can be daunting time; however, the children should be incredibly proud of how well they have settled into their new environment. I also extend this welcome to the new children and families that have enrolled throughout the summer.

Throughout the year, I will continue to update parents and carers with school improvement priorities and our progress in achieving our short-, medium-, and long-term goals.

I look forward to sharing another successful year with the children, families, and staff at Parkview.

S. Philson

Staff Updates 2025-2026

I am pleased to inform you that our new staff have settled in well and have spent the last two weeks getting to the know the children and young people.

Our new staff include:

Miss K Lindores — Principal Teacher

Mrs L Cawood — English as an Additional Language Teacher (Mon, Tues, Wed)

Mrs S MacKenzie – Primary 6 Class Teacher

Miss A Gildea – Support for Learning Teacher (Fr)

I know you will share the sentiment of welcoming the new staff to our school community and I look forward to you meeting with them at our Open Afternoon on Friday 12th September 2025.

Absence Reporting

Can I please ask that all absences are reported at your earliest convenience. You can do so by:

- Phoning the office staff on 0141 946 4622 before 9:20am
- Emailing <u>headteacher@parkview-pri.glasgow.sch.uk</u>
- Phoning Glasgow City Council's Absence Reporting Line on 0141 471 3710 or 0141 287 0039

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Attendance

I am delighted to share that we achieved our target of an overall school attendance rate of 92%! This has been a wonderful achievement, ensuring children are present at school and achieving success in the learning. I thank all parents and carers for your continued support in improving overall attendance.

Mrs Watt will continue to work with families providing support and advice, where required, in maximising attendance.

Our aim this session is to maintain 92%, with a grand challenge of all children attending school between 90% and 100%.

If you are **late (after 9am)**, can all children please report to the office where they will collect an 'Office Owl', ensuring staff are aware that your child has registered with the office.

Uniform Policy

It has been wonderful to see children looking smart in their uniforms each day, with a noticeable difference in the sheer volume of children presenting in their uniform. I kindly thank all parents and carers for your continued support!



If you require any items, please do not hesitate to let a member of the school know.

Parent Pay

As you are aware, Parent Pay is how parents and carers pay for lunches and breakfast club, including other school related items.

It is important that you have your login details and check Parent Pay regularly for payment items that are outstanding or charges that are in arrears.

If you require further support in accessing Parent Pay, please contact Ms Moir at the school office on Monday, Tuesday, and/ or Wednesday.

Car Free Zone

I would like remind parents and carers that the safety of our children and families is paramount, especially around drop-off and pick-up times.

The driveway into the school is a **no car zone from 8:30am to 9:15am** and 2:30pm and 3:15pm. I kindly ask that this is respected, and cars do not enter at this time; ASDA carpark is available to allow you to walk your



child to and from school. Our bus can find it difficult to navigate the sheer volume of cars at 3:00pm, which impacts on our children getting home for a reasonable time.



Child Protection and Safequarding

At Parkview Primary, your child's safety and well-being is at the heart of everything that we do.

If you have a concern or issue that you wish to raise, regarding any child in our school, please inform the Child Protection Co-ordinator immediately.

Our Child Protection Co-ordinator is Steve Philson (Head Teacher)

Water Bottles and Snack



We kindly ask that children are provided with a refillable water bottle for each day, which can be filled up in school throughout the day. A gentle reminder that children should only have either water/ no-sugar juice throughout the day.

We have a very limited support of paper cups, so a bottle from home is recommended.

When providing your child with a snack for the break interval, can I kindly ask that a healthy option is selected. Healthy snacking is important because it provides a sustained energy boost, improves mental clarity and focus, helps regulate blood sugar levels throughout the school day.

Physical Education

An integral part of the curriculum is Physical Education (P.E), supporting children's gross and fine motor skills, physicality, healthy minds and bodies, and teamwork.

Due to statutory Health and Safety regulations, can I please remind parents and carers children much refrain from wearing jewellery, nail extensions (including glue on), another decorative



items that may cause injury to themselves and others. Children will be asked to remove these items, ensuring they can fully participate in the planned experiences. Otherwise, they will be asked to sit out.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Senior Leadership Team.

Parent Council and Parent Council Support

Our Parent Council are a vital part of our community, supporting lots of experiences, trips, and extracurricular activities! Without their involvement and financial support, some of our experiences would not be able to happen.

The friendly and caring team of parents and carers are always looking for new volunteers to help make our school even better! If you are interested, please email <u>parkviewparentcouncil@hotmail.com</u>.

The Parent Council meet once per month; all dates are highlighted on the Dates for the Diary Page.

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Mobile Phones and High Value Items

At Parkview Primary we would prefer that children **do not bring** mobile phones or personal digital devices to school.

If children need to contact a parent/carer or a parent/carer needs to contact a child during the school day, this can be undertaken via the school office phone.

However, we do appreciate that some parents would rather their children have a mobile device with them before or after school for safety or emergency reasons only, especially those travelling to and from school on their own or through school transport.

We would ask that the undernoted points are observed:

- All mobile phones **must be switched off** before entering the school grounds.
- Mobile phones should be switched off and handed to class teacher at registration and not be in pockets, taken out or switched on at all during the school day or within the school premises.
- **No** photographs, videos or recordings should be taken of any pupils or staff using mobiles phones and other personal digital devices. This is a breach of confidentiality, and this will be dealt with very seriously.
- As per Glasgow City Council policy, we cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage to mobile phones or any other valuables brought to school by children.



Proposed Dates for Your Diary, 2025 - 2026

Listed are dates that you may be interested in.

Although we try and ensure these are accurate, I cannot guarantee there will not be last minute alterations or cancellations.

I appreciate your patience in the event this occurs.

August 2025

Tuesday 14th - Pupil Return Date

September 2025

Wednesday 3rd - Parent Council Meeting (6pm)

Friday 12th - Open Afternoon, Meet the Teacher (1:45pm)

Friday 26th - September Weekend (Pupils Off) Monday 29th - September Weekend (Pupils Off)

Tuesday 30th - Pupils Return Date

October 2025

Wednesday 1st - Parent Council Meeting (6pm)
Friday 3rd - Primary 4 Class Assembly
Friday 10th - Inservice Day 3 (Pupils off)
Monday 13th - October Week (Pupils Off)
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Monday 20th - Pupils Return Date Thursday 30th - Halloween Disco

November 2025

Wednesday 2nd - Parent Council Meeting (6pm) Friday 7th - Primary 5 Class Assembly

Wednesday 12th - Parent/ Carer Teacher Meeting 1
Friday 14th - Showcase of Learning (1:45pm)
Monday 17th - Primary 7 Residential Trip (5 Days)
Wednesday 26th - Parent/ Carer Teacher Meeting 2

December 2025

Wednesday 3rd - Parent Council Meeting (6pm)
Wednesday 10th - Whole School Christmas Lunch
Friday 12th - Christmas and Winter Fayre
Tuesday 16th - Primary 1 Christmas Show
Friday 19th - School Closes at 1:30pm

January 2026

Monday 5th - Pupil Return Date

Wednesday 7th - Parent Council Meeting (6pm) Friday 30th - Primary 7 Burns Supper

February 2026

Wednesday 4th - Parent Council Meeting (6pm)

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Friday 6th - Primary 2 Class Assembly

Monday 16th - February Holiday (Pupils Off)

Tuesday 17th - February Holiday (Pupils Off)

Wednesday 18th - Inservice Day 4 (Pupils Off)

Thursday 19th - Pupil Return Date

Friday 27th - Showcase of Learning (1:45pm)

March 2026

Wednesday 4th - Parent/ Carer Teacher Meeting 3
Friday 6th - Primary 6 Class Assembly

Wednesday 11th - Parent/ Carer Teacher Meeting 4

Thursday 26th - Spring Disco

April 2026

Wednesday 1st - Parent Council Meeting (6pm)

Thursday 2nd - School Closes 2:30pm for Spring Holiday (Easter)

Monday 20th - Pupils Return Date

Thursday 30th - 2026-2027 Primary 1 Transition Begins

May 2026

Monday 4th - May Bank Holiday (Pupils Off)
Wednesday 6th - Parent Council Meeting (6pm)
Thursday 7th - Inservice Day 5 (Pupils Off)
Friday 8th - Primary 3 Class Assembly
Friday 22nd - May Weekend (Pupils Off)
Monday 25th - May Weekend (Pupils Off)

Tuesday 26th - Pupil Return Date

Friday 29th - Showcase of Learning (1:45pm)

June 2026

June 3rd - Parent Council Meeting (6pm)

Friday 5th - Class Assembly

Thursday 11th - Pupil Progress Reports to Parents/ Carers

Friday 12th - International Summer Fayre

Wednesday 17th - Sports Day

Tuesday 23rd - Primary 7 Leavers Assembly Wednesday 24th - Primary 7 Leavers Event

Thursday 25th - School Closure for Summer Break (1:00pm)