Induction Evening Year 5 Parents/Carers July 2025

Parkside Middle School

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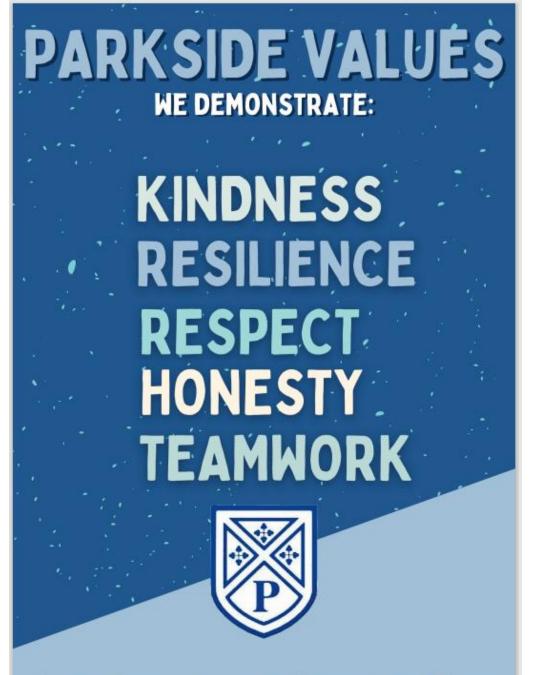
Welcome to Parkside Middle School

Welcome to all the parents and carers of our new year 5 cohort. We look forward to working with you and your child over the next 4 years.

The information in this presentation should give you a flavour of the curriculum and expectations at Parkside.

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The Parkside Values



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Transition Arrangements

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Transition has been a blended approach this year:

- Music Morning in a Bromsgrove middle school
- Sports Afternoon for all Bromsgrove first schools
- 'Moving On' booklets completed at first school to be completed at Parkside
- Information collected from your child's first school
- Website: Frequently Asked Questions, Photo tour, 'Moving to Parkside' video and 'Meet the year 5 teacher' videos
- Larger cohorts visit from Mrs Pap for a Q and A session
- Additional SEND and Thrive visits where needed

Still to come:

- Whole Town Transition Day 14th July 10-12pm
- Induction Day 3rd September year 5 only

The Year 5 Curriculum

Subjects covered in year 5:

- English
- Maths
- Reading
- Real-life Maths
- Science
- Computing
- French
- Humanities (History/Geography)
- Music
- The Arts (DT/Art)
- RE
- PSHE (Personal, Social and Health Education)
- Thrive (Skills based Creative Curriculum)



Wider Curriculum

- Trips and visits to enhance the curriculum
- Inspiration Days
- Extra-curricular clubs
- Residential Trips
- Maths, Reading and Writing interventions
- Most able experiences
- Thrive/Social and Emotional development
- Mentoring
- SEND support

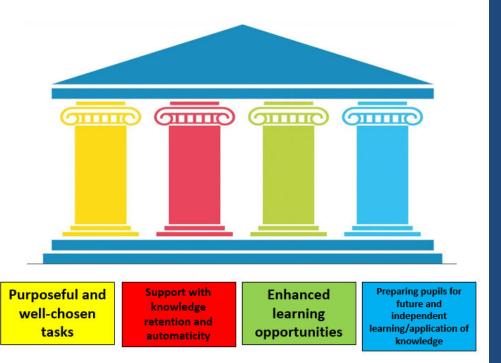
English and Maths Groups

- All subjects are taught in their classes, apart from English and Maths where the pupils are grouped.
- First 2 weeks in classes for English and Maths
- Third Week into loose groups using data from first schools
- Groups re-assessed at half term after we have the baseline data and more evidence for teacher assessments.
- Groupings changed to match the needs of the cohort
- Important that pupils are in the right group for them

Homework/Home-learning

- At KS2, pupils should spend about 30 minutes on homework every night.
- Homework will be recorded on BromCom, parents can access this through the app 'My Child at School' (MCAS)
- Maths and English homework weekly
- If no homework is set, pupils should be reading, practising spelling rules or times tables.
- Please help your child organise when they are going to do their homework (this can be tricky for some year 5 pupils to start with), try to find them somewhere suitable to work and encourage them!
- Please contact the class teacher or subject teacher if there is an issue with homework or they were unable to complete it in 30 minutes.
- Homework Club is available every lunchtime from 12:30pm

The Four Pillars of Homework



Assessment

- Pupils are assessed in each subject against Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) as: Emerging, Developing, Secure or Mastery.
- These terms are used with the pupils in lessons
- Milestones are used to communicate the age-related expectation in each KPI.
 (I can...)
- Progress will be communicated to you using this terminology during parents' evening and reports.



Refer to the school website (curriculum/year area) or the Pupil Handbook for more detail.

High expectations

As a school we have high expectations of:

- Attendance
- Work
- Behaviour
- Organisation and equipment
- Appearance of the pupils
- Appearance of the school.





Please refer to the website for the uniform list. Parkside PE kit can be worn on PE days. For extra-curricular sport, pupils must change if on the non-PE day.

The Parkside Standard

THE PARKSIDE STANDARD

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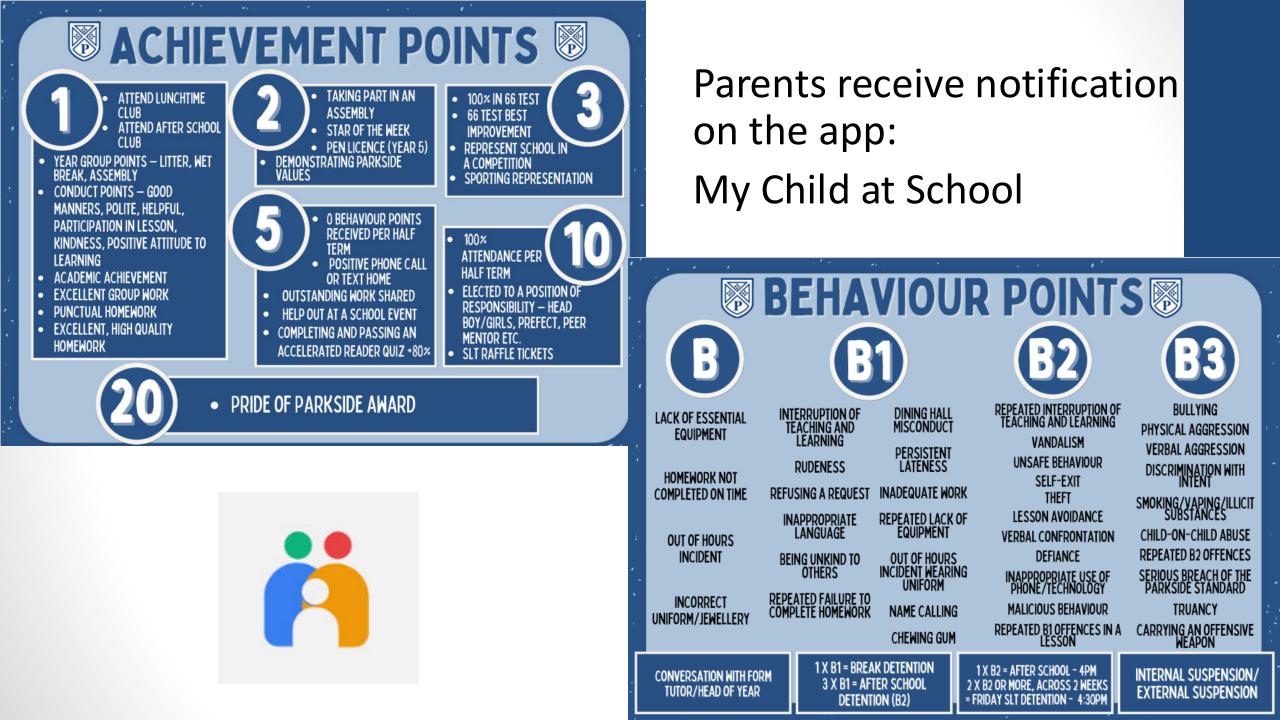


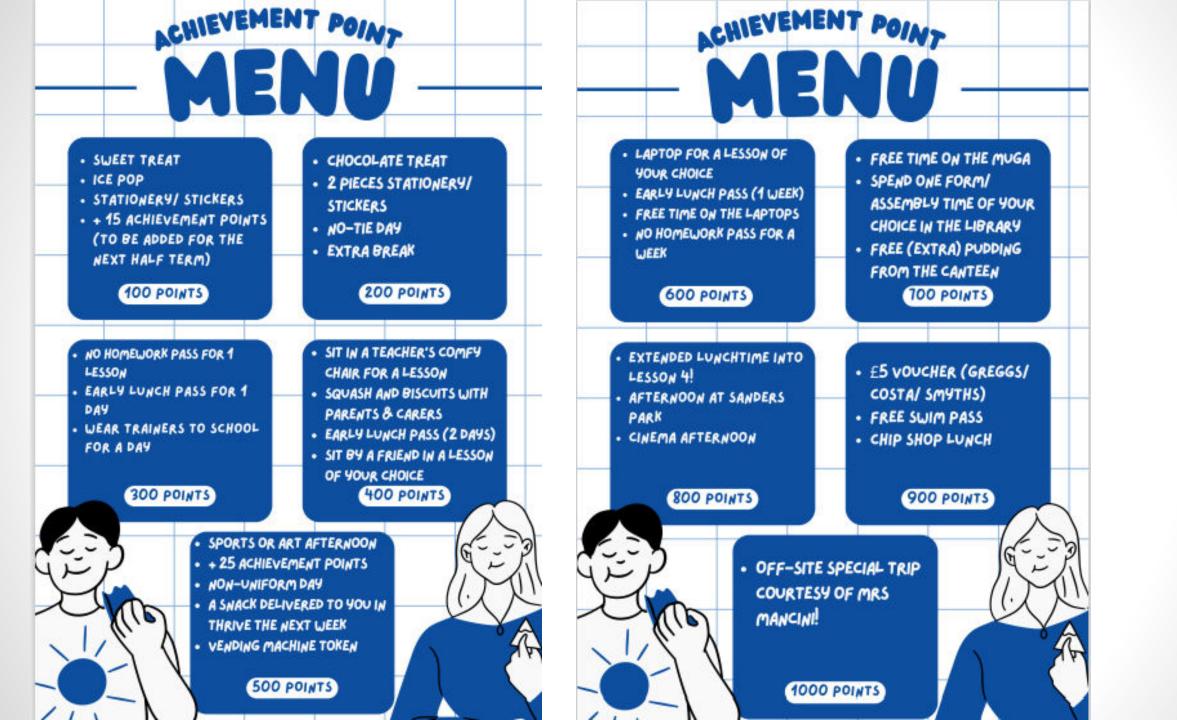
2. WE WILL WORK AS A TEAM ALWAYS SHOWING POLITENESS, KINDNESS AND RESPECT.

3. WE WILL ALWAYS TRY OUR BEST AND TAKE PRIDE IN EVERYTHING WE DO.

4. WE WILL BE ORGANISED AND FULLY PREPARED FOR THE SCHOOL DAY.

5. WE WILL WEAR THE CORRECT UNIFORM WITH PRIDE.





Rewards

- We celebrate both academic success and positive behaviour.
- We offer a wide range of rewards.

Verbal praise

- Positive texts or phone call home
- Achievement points half term menu
- Recognition in Celebration assembly
- Class prizes/Golden Time
- Vending Machine
- Headteacher's 'Pride of Parkside' Award
- **Reward Trips**

What's great about Year 5?

- Getting-to-know-you activities.
- Embedding the Parkside Standard and new daily routines
- Blackwell Adventure
- TT Rockstars day Rock-tober
- Shakespeare Day
- Inspiration/Cultural Days
- Summer Reward Trip/Activities
- Christmas Panto
- Year 5 Challenges







The Parkside Pupil Handbook

The Parkside Pupil Handbook includes useful information for pupils (and parents/carers!)

It includes:

- Term dates and timings of the day
- Information we have covered this evening
- Essential Equipment
- Daily Timetable
- Support for English and Maths
- Support for other subjects
- Pupil Passwords for digital learning sites

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility

- Parents and carers work in partnership with the school, and we recognise that from time to time you may need support.
- If as a parent/carer you are concerned about your own child or another young person you should inform the Designated Safeguarding Lead

Safeguarding Team

- Safeguarding Lead (DSL) Mrs Jenkin
- Deputy Safeguarding Leads (DDSL) Mrs Varley and Mrs Miarowska
- Head of Thrive and School Mental Health Lead Mrs Miarowska
- Well-being Support Mrs Ellis
- Welfare Manager Mrs Varley
- Family Support Worker Mr Grimshaw
- SENDCO Mrs. Moffatt
- Mental Health First Aiders Mrs. Jenkin, Mrs. Varley and Mrs. Fletcher
- Lead First Aider supported by other trained staff Mrs. Fletcher
- Outside Agency Support School Nursing Team and other Health Professionals, Bromsgrove Policing Team, Family Front Door, Early Help, Redditch and Bromsgrove District Council, Local Authority.

Help and Support for Families Offer: <u>PMS-Help-and-Support-for-Families-Statement-2023-1.pdf (parkside.worcs.sch.uk)</u>

Promoting Good Attendance at Parkside Middle School

- We have a clear vision for attendance, underpinned by high expectations and core values
- Absence from school is a potential safeguarding risk
- We expect good attendance and punctuality from all members of the school community
- We recognise that absence affects attainment, wellbeing and wider outcomes
- We liaise with other agencies working with pupils and their families to support attendance, for example, where a young person has a social worker or is otherwise vulnerable.

Parents and carers should:

- treat staff with respect
- actively support the work of the school
- call on staff for help when they need it
- communicate as early as possible circumstances which may affect absence or require support

How can I help?

- Make sure your child attends school regularly
- Support your child with organising their home-learning
- Make sure they have everything they need for lessons:

Blue handwriting pen	Whiteboard pen (dry wipe)
Pencil	Pencil crayons
Ruler (cm/mm)	Glue stick
Rubber	Pencil case (small)
Pencil sharpener	Highlighter
Green pen	Wired Earphones for
	Computing

Messages from the School Office

In September:

- ParentPay letter will be sent out
- Extra-curricular Club letter will be sent out
- Swimming on a 6-week rotation for year 5 5JP first class
- Pupil Data forms please return asap if you haven't already done so. Copy on the website/spare copies.
- Office support with Bromcom

Dates for the diary

- Monday 22nd September 'Rocktober' Launch (dressing up)
- Tuesday 23rd September SEND Information Evening (6-7pm)
- Tuesday 30th September Year 5 Pastoral Parents' Evening (4-7pm)
- Monday 13th October Year 5 Maths and English Morning 9-12pm

If you have a question or concern

1. Your child's class teacher knows your child best and therefore should be the first line of communication.

Contact the class teacher either through:

- A phone call via the school office 01527 873660
- An email via the school office <u>office@parkside.worcs.sch.uk</u>
- 2. For subject concerns, you can contact your child's subject teacher

If you have a concern

- **3. If further support is needed:**
- Pastoral/transition Mrs Papadopoulos (Head of Year 5)
- Transition overview Mrs Cox (Deputy Headteacher)
- Curriculum Mrs Terrey (Deputy Headteacher)
- SEND Mrs Moffatt (SENDCo) Mrs Dallaway (Assistant SENDCo)
- Safeguarding Mrs Jenkin (Senior Deputy Headteacher)

Communications - Parkside Middle School

Year 5 Team

Head of Year 5 - Mrs Papadopoulos

Class teachers:

- 5JB Mrs Bennison
- 5SN Mrs Norris/Mrs Dallaway
- 50L Miss Lewis
- 5JP Mrs Papadopoulos
- 5RS Miss Sumner



Miss Lewis