

Park View Primary School

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Wednesday 20th May
Park View Race for Life

Wednesday 20th May
Y6 The Tower of London

Monday 25th May
Half Term

Wednesday 3rd June
Y4 Basing House

Tuesday 9th June
Y1 & Y5 Fire Safety
Workshop

Wednesday 10th June
YR Bucklebury Farm

Thursday 11th June
Nursery Sports Day - am

Friday 12th June
Sports Day, Junior -Morning
Infants – Afternoon

Tuesday 16th June
Y5 QMC Science Trip

Wednesday 17th June
Year 6 Leavers and Class
Photos

Tuesday 23rd June
Y2 QMC Science Trip

**Thursday 25th June & Friday
26th June**
Y3 QMC Science Trip

Friday 3rd July
Y5 Taster Day – The Blue
Coat School

Thursday 9th July
After School Summer Fair

Wednesday 15th July
Nursery Graduation

Thursday 16th July
Year 6 Performance
2pm & 5pm

Friday 17th July
Year 2 Performance
9:30am & 2pm

Monday 20th July
Year 6 Graduation (Evening)

Tuesday 21st July
Last day of Term –
1:10/1:15pm Finish

INSET Day
Wednesday 22nd July 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Friday 8th May 2026

As our Year 6 pupils prepare to begin their SATs, we would like to wish them the very best of luck for the week ahead.

The children have worked extremely hard in the lead-up to these assessments and have shown great commitment, resilience and determination throughout their learning. While it is natural to feel a few nerves, we are confident that they are well prepared and ready to approach each test with a positive attitude and a determination to try their best.

We are incredibly proud of all that they have achieved so far and look forward to celebrating their efforts and successes with them once results are shared in July.

Year R Nature Project

This year, Year R have been fortunate to receive a £5,000 grant to enhance our outdoor area and create a more biodiverse environment in which the children can learn and thrive. This has been funded by The Nature Park Project and supported by the Royal Horticultural Society, who have provided extensive resources, guidance and support for planning and delivering engaging outdoor learning activities.

As part of the project, the children in Year R shared their ideas about what they would like to grow and include in the space. Their suggestions included herbs and vegetables, flowers and trees to attract bumblebees, butterflies and ladybirds, as well as a wildlife pond and an area dedicated to digging. The children thoughtfully created garden plans and expressed their ideas through drawings, showcasing the wildlife they hope to welcome into the area. Planting is now well underway, and the children have thoroughly enjoyed taking part. They have been learning about different plants, what they need to grow, how plants attract various types of wildlife and, importantly, how to care for them responsibly. Daily watering routines and regular observations have allowed the children to watch changes take place over time. We frequently take photographs to support discussions about these changes and to help the children understand why they occur.

We warmly invite parents to stop by and take a look at our developing outdoor area and see the fantastic progress the children have made.

More photos can be found on our school website under Class Pages 2025-2026, Year R.



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School Smartphone Rules – September 2026

Headteachers across Basingstoke schools are continuing to support a national movement to change culture, reclaim childhood, and improve the futures of our children. A reminder of the school rules in place to help bring about this much needed change, to keep our children safe. Did you know...

50%

of UK 12 year-olds
have seen hardcore
pornography online

46%

of teens say they
use the their phones
“almost constantly”

24%

of UK 17 year-olds
have self-harmed in
the prior 12 months

237

the average amount
of notifications teens
receive per day

84%

of bullying of children
who have smartphones
now takes place online

43%

of US teenagers waking
minutes are spent on
screens

What can parents do now?

Join thousands of other parents across Basingstoke and the UK by signing the [Smartphone Free Childhood Parent Pact](#). What are you signing up to? ***Not buying your child a smartphone until the end of Year 9***

What are the new school rules? How can I find out more?

From September 2026, children will no longer be allowed to bring smartphones into school. Years 5 and 6 pupils may bring a basic “brick” phone if needed. A brick phone does not have access to the internet. We hope this change helps support your child’s safety and wellbeing, and allows them to enjoy their childhood.

What’s a brick phone?

They are **not internet enabled** but still allow calls and texts. They are cheap to buy too ([Amazon](#), [Argos](#)). No data needed for your SIM card. [ASDA mobile](#) sell these, for example.

What are we losing?



**Less time
playing,
reading &
exercising**



**Less social
interaction and
face to face
communication**

Famous parents have
signed the Pact!



We are pleased to announce 2 new webinars as part of our Smartphone Free Basingstoke collective:

Year R & KS1 - Tuesday June 9th - 8-8:45pm - "How to Get the Balance Right with Screens from the Start" - Register free [here](#)

KS2 - Tuesday June 16th - 8-8:45pm - "Let's Talk About Our Kids and Their Tech" - Register free [here](#)

More details on the webinars have been sent as a separate flyer.

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WHO TO CONTACT IF YOU HAVE A CONCERN ABOUT A CHILD

If you are worried about a child's safety, please do not hesitate to contact any of the Designated Safeguarding Leads straight away.

The following members of staff are Designated Safeguarding Leads for Park View Primary School:

Mrs Danielle Owens
Mrs Lucy Hollyman
Mrs Fiona Barrow

They can be contacted through the school office via email adminoffice@parkviewprimary.hants.sch.uk or telephone on

01256 322616

Safeguarding
Governor:

Mrs Jackie Skipp

For a copy of our school's Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy, please visit our school website.

Park View Primary's Second Race for Life – Wednesday 20th May

We are pleased to inform you that Park View Primary School will once again be hosting our own Race for Life on Wednesday 20th May 2026. Following the enthusiasm and community spirit shown at last year's event (despite the torrential rain!), we are hopeful that the weather will be much kinder to us this time. Mrs Ferrin and Mrs Sharp are delighted to be hosting the event, with a group warm-up beginning at 3:30pm, followed by the race at 3:45pm.

Cancer has touched many lives within our community, and this event is our way of supporting the national message: *"Let's work together to beat it."* We warmly invite children and their families to join us after school for this meaningful and inclusive event.

The race will be approximately one mile (three laps of the school field), and participants are welcome to run, jog, or walk at their own pace. There will also be a cake sale with a variety of sweet treats available.

To help show our support, we encourage everyone to wear something pink, whether that is a t-shirt, an accessory, or another item of clothing. Children taking part are welcome to wear their race clothes to school on the day.

A £1 donation per person (maximum of £4 per family) will be collected at the start of the event, with all proceeds going to Cancer Research UK.

Please note that children may only take part if accompanied and supervised by an adult, as the school cannot take responsibility for unaccompanied children during the event.

We hope you are able to join us for what promises to be a positive and enjoyable afternoon for a very important cause.

We look forward to seeing you there and joining together for a great cause!

Safeguarding

NSPCC
Learning

Going out or staying home alone

As your child gets older, it's likely they'll want a bit more independence or want to explore alone during the summer holidays. But are they ready to stay home or go out alone?

Below is a link to a helpful guide designed to support parents and carers in deciding whether their child is ready to stay at home alone or go out independently.

The guide offers practical tips and clear advice to help families make informed decisions based on their child's individual needs and circumstances. It highlights important factors to consider, such as how confident your child feels, potential risks, and who they should contact in an emergency.

There is also a useful checklist for parents and children to work through together. This helps families prepare for different situations and encourages open discussions about safety, expectations, and boundaries before a child takes on more independence.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/advice-for-families/home-alone/>

Family Support Worker

Hello, my name is Mrs Clare Sharp and I am the Family Support Worker at Park View Primary School. I can offer you emotional support and practical help when experiencing short or long-term difficulties, as well as guiding you to different agencies and support groups.

Please feel free to contact the school if you wish to chat to me or email me at:

familysupportworker@parkviewprimary.hants.sch.uk

