



## Our Academy – A very Special Place!

### What if We Could Fly

HUGE thanks to all of our families who have joined us for our family events this term. We have proved that we really can fly and that there are no limits to what we can achieve together during our What if We Could Fly, Dot Day! We cannot wait to see your butterflies displayed proudly in our entrance hall when we return after half term.

### Dot Family Learning Logs

Please remember to tweet us your photographs @AcademyParkHall of you completing your learning logs. (See news section on the website, or twitter if you have misplaced the information). These should be returned on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November and you may pop along to our Art Gallery in the hall on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November from 3pm-4pm

### Clever Calculating Day

Parents and Grandparents also gave us fabulous feedback following our Clever Calculating day. We love to work in partnership with parents and do all that we can to involve you in your child's learning journey and help you to support your child in their home learning. We felt that it was important to meet with parents early in the year, so that you are aware of our Concrete, Pictorial and Abstract approach. Don't worry if you were not able to attend, we have added the information to our website [www.parkhallacademy.co.uk](http://www.parkhallacademy.co.uk) (Under the Learning Tab, Learning Journey, and then select Maths). Here you will also find Tens Frames, Part, Part Whole and blank Bar Models).

Don't forget to tweet us your photos of you continuing your learning journey with the Part, Part Whole and Bar Modelling at home.

### Barvember

Look out for BARVEMBER where we will be tweeting bar modelling challenges throughout the month of November. Tweet us and we will select tweets at random to reward with chocolate bars to recognise your efforts.

We do recognise that it is difficult for working parents to attend all events and we do explain to the children that parents cannot always attend. We do our very best to please and accommodate everyone's wishes. We are for example holding our next Year 2 workshop in the evening. Please do not worry if you are unable to join us. Again, we will always share information via email or the website for parents who are not able to come along.

### Theatre Trip

As you know, we are looking forward to our theatre trip in January. Please remember that payment must be made by Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November. Thank you.

### Children In Need

To support Children In Need, the Park Hall Parliament will be selling Pudsey goods, see Twitter and the Park Hall Family Facebook page for photos of the items and prices. These will be sold from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November at break times until stocks last. Be quick, we think we will sell out quickly!!

Once they are gone, we cannot order more.





### Remembrance Celebrations.

You have already received a letter informing you of our Remembrance activities. Please send a large pebble into school on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November which your child will then decorate. These will be sent home on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November. Please could you hide your pebble in a public place, it doesn't have to be local, it could even go abroad if you know someone travelling that weekend. A special Facebook Page group PHRemembers has been set up for people to tweet photographs of the pebbles found. If you have relatives serving in the armed forces or wish to remember family members please post photographs or messages on the PHRemembers page. We would love to share these with the children. You can also do this on our Twitter page, @AcademyParkHall

### Enrichment

Huge thank you to our staff and members of the PHF who have once again provided exciting extra-curricular events for our children to enjoy. Years 1 and 2 loved our first Harvest Hoedown. Thank you to Fred and Vincent's Mum for providing the hay bales and apples! Key Stage 2 also enjoyed their Halloween themed discos The Halloween treats also proved to be very popular with the children. Our children are very lucky to have such a fabulous team of staff who enable these events to take place. Thank you team Park Hall.

### Congratulations.

**Congratulations to 4B who did an amazing job teaching us all about the Romans. You were fabulous!**

**Huge congratulations to Glee Club who have been selected to sing at the Christmas Lights Switch on in Hanley on 15<sup>th</sup> November. Check out the video on Twitter or Stoke-on-Trent Live on Facebook. They are amazing!**

**We love to recognise and celebrate our children's achievements. This morning in our Celebration assembly, we took great pride in announcing our Star Writers, Star Readers and Marvellous Mathematicians. They are rightly very proud of themselves. Our Star Readers will have their framed photographs on display in the classroom and our Star Writers and Marvellous Mathematicians love their rosettes which match our uniforms too. Well done to all children.**

