

#### **Information**

#### **Chartwells Price Increase**

Please note that from September there is a price increase for school meals to £2.42 per meal.



Please find details of next years inset dates below.

The children return to school on Monday 5th September

1st/2nd September 2022

4th January 2023

5th June 2023

21 July 2023

Executive Head Teacher: Mr James Procter Chair of Governors: Mr Alan Brundle Head of School: Mrs Heidi West Dear Park Mead Families,

A fantastic academic year comes to an end!

Well done and thank you to our amazing pupils and staff for demonstrating such positivity, resilience and team spirit.

Together, we have achieved and experienced so much this year as a whole school community. As part of the Pioneer Federation, we plan to continue our upward journey at Park Mead to further develop our school and partnerships. Thank you so much for your continued support. It is valued and appreciated.

I want to share with you our KS2 outcomes this year as they reflect the hard work and effort of our Year 6 pupils and the quality of teaching and learning at Park Mead.

Our outcomes in 2019 were 33% for reading, writing and maths combined. In 2022, our combined outcomes reached a staggering 73%!! Well done to everyone in Year 6! This is a superb achievement considering that the National combined result came in at 59%.

The national % for 'expected' outcomes in reading for 2022 is 74%, for maths 71%, writing 69% and for grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS) 72%. Park Mead reached 80% in all of these areas!!

I am so proud of our staff and pupils for these significant achievements. It demonstrates the massive progress we have made in the last 2 years.

It has been so lovely to see each and every pupil across the school grow, progress and develop this year. I look forward to seeing their smiling faces in September.

Wishing you all a wonderful and safe summer break.

Heidi West

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#### **Awards**



These children have recently impressed their teachers and peers:

#### <u>Willows</u>

Ethan—Staying Positive with his Learning Each Day Joshua—Staying Positive and Aiming High

#### **Chestnuts**

Reggie—Creativity, Leadership & Teamwork Brynly—Aiming High & Staying Positive Mia M—Teamwork, Leadership, Aiming High and Staying Positive Ellie—Creativity, Teamwork & Leadership Lemmy—Creativity in Art, Aiming High

#### **Maples**

Jacob—Teamwork & Aiming High Sophie—Teamwork & Staying Positive Lexi—Teamwork & Staying Positive Harris—Staying Positive & Aiming High

#### <u>Oaks</u>

Aiva—Staying Positive Emily—Listening & Leadership Ezrai—Teamwork

Charley—Staying Positive, Aiming High in the Rotary Quiz Isaac—Staying Positive, Aiming High in the Rotary Quiz Emily —Staying Positive, Aiming High in the Rotary Quiz Daisy —Staying Positive, Aiming High in the Rotary Quiz



#### News from Willows

These are the words Willows class have generated to celebrate and represent this academic year:

# Friendship Fun Caring Explorers Happy Cheerful



## Excitable

## Friendship Hard Working

#### News from Chestnuts

Chestnuts worked together to create this word art to describe their year.

It has been a lovely year together and I look forward to hearing all about their achievements over the next year!

Good luck Chestnuts!





Playful



### **News from Maples** These are the words Maples have generated as a class to celebrate and represent this academic year: Thoughtful Problem Solvers Confident Listeners Leaders Hom Finenelly Helpful Caring eam Plavers Thriving News from Oaks These are the words Oaks have generated as a class to celebrate and represent this academic year: Amezing Unique Trustworthy Educational Wonderful Achieving Intriguing Magical Outstanding



I like the teachers at Park Mead School because they are all amazing and they are always there when you need them. I came here in year 3 and I was home schooled before, so I was not used to being in a school environment. I have settled in really well over the years and made lots of friends.

I like Park Mead because all of my friends and my nice memories. The end of year water fight was very fun. I also loved the all school trips I went on too.

I hope Park Mead gets everything they need to make it an even better school than it already is. I wish Park Mead all the best for the future. I hope the year 5 have an amazing last year in Year 6. I love being part of the Park Mead family.

Seth

I liked spending time with my friends here at Park Mead. The teachers are all very nice and I hope the new Year 5 and New Year 6s have fun next year.

I really liked P.E – it was my favourite lesson. I've been here since Willows so I have known everyone since the start.

I loved going to PGL especially when I tried facing my biggest fear which was heights. I wish Park Mead the best of luck for the future.



Leo



I love Park Mead and my teachers . I will miss my friends.

I really like when Mr Elphick says your shoelace is undone, I always fell for it, it was so funny when he did it. Mrs Riley and Miss Taiclet are so caring. I think Mrs Riley and Ms Taiclet have been the best teachers I have ever had. We went on really cool school trips. I really enjoyed PGL it was so much fun. The final fling was great, we went swimming and had pizza.

I really like when we went outside to go on the bikes and trikes and to go on the laptops. I hope the year 5 have fun in year 6. Goodbye Park Mead School.

Dylan



I like Park Mead School because the teachers are nice. My favourite teachers have been Mrs Symonds and Mr Elphick. I like it when Mrs Riley organises treat times when we have worked hard.

It has been fun doing the active mile. The name has changed a few times... it went from the mile to the golden mile to the green mile and now it is the active mile The teachers try to make everything interesting.

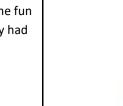
I've really enjoyed most of my time at Park Mead School. Everybody made my experience so fun I will miss my friends in Year 5.

Preston

I have loved my time at Park Mead because even when I got stressed, the teachers were there for me. I have loved working with all the teachers (especially Mrs Riley). The things I will miss most are my friends, the staff and chatting to Mr Elphick during sensory circuits... basically the whole school!

One of my favourite experiences was PGL, due to the fun and excitement of the many different activities they had there.

I wish only for the best of luck to this school!







I love Park Mead and all the teachers. I will always remember when we went to PGL and we made a raft. It was fun and I got really wet. I will miss Mrs Riley because she is a good teacher and she was very kind as she organises treat times we have earned such as ice-cream.

When we went on the House of Parliament trip and it was so much fun being on the news (in the background). I hope all of my classmate in Oaks (who are year 5) have fun being year 6. I will miss the time when my friends and I had so much fun on the field and the one thing I will miss the most is being a part of the Park Mead family. I will miss you all.

Lily



I love all the staff here at Park Mead they are kind, funny and helpful.

I have loved all the school trips we have done past the year especially going to the beach with Mrs. Symonds when I was in Willows. I have really enjoyed doing singing assembly with Mrs. May.

P.E lessons were the best with Mr. Elphick he makes them so fun and creative.

I loved PGL it was so fun my favourite activities were the big swing, the zip line and the obstacle course. My bedtime stories at PGL were the best everyone in my cabin, my friends loved them. I love the active mile and chatting to my friends.

I hope all the year 5's have a great year 6 experience. I wish Park Mead the best in the future.

Gracie

I love Park Mead because the teachers are very kind and caring; Mrs Riley has been my teacher for most of the years I have been here and she is always so lovely she teaches in such a fun way it has been such a joy to be with her. She would always organise fun things for us and get us lovely treats.

Mr Elphick would always tell me my shoelaces were undone even if I did not have laces on my shoes and I would always fall for it! He also organised fun things too like the water fight last year which was so fun especially as it was hot.

I am going to miss all of my friends especially my best friend, we would always say that forest school is our anniversary as that was when we first become friends.

I can't wait for secondary school but I will definitely miss this school I wish all of the Willows and the rest of the school a lovely time because I know I did I love being part of the Park Mead family.



Emily



I've enjoyed my time at Park Mead so much, everyone here is just like my own family and it's going to be very hard to leave my family.

I will miss Mr Elphick tricking me and my friends saying our shoe laces are undone but we always fall for it. It's going to be hard to leaving since I've been here for 7 years. I'm really going to miss doing tidiest classroom with my best friends.

I will always remember when we went to the beach in Willows and Gracie dressed up as the little mermaid and we all got ice cream. I'm going to miss all the teachers (even the ones who left) and all the pupils here. I wish that the new yr6's and new yr5's get the same great experience as me.

My favourite subject is science because in yr5 my teacher Mrs Riley said me and my best friend (Evie) were just like little scientists. I will miss all of my yr5 friends and friends in the younger part of the school who always seem to make me laugh. Also, I will really miss how the boys goof around and everyone laughs at them. I've many good opportunities in school like my role of sports captain for my house, Vikings, I've always liked helping out in school and I hope I can be as helpful in secondary. Finally I hope everyone has a great experience at Park Mead and learn as much as I did.

Indiana

I like Park Mead because the school trips were fun and P.E was great with all the wonderful activities and ideas from Mr Elphick.

I like doing the active mile even though we changed the name 4 times. It went from the mile to the golden mile then the green mile and then the current one is active mile.

I like it when Mrs Riley organises our treat afternoons. My friends are really nice to me. I love playing football with them and I will miss my friends going to HCC. I have so many memories.

Good luck to my friends in Year 5 going to Year 6.

Tommy



've really enjoyed most of my time at Park Mead Primary. Everybody has made my experience so fun and enjoyable!

When I came here the students and teachers made me feel like I can be myself no matter.

I also loved the learning experiences and most of them always put a smile on my face. I wish I could do PGL again, it was so fun and it lasted forever!

It is a shame that my fun times at primary school have to end but I hope that everybody else enjoys Park Mead Primary whilst they can!



Ezrai

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I love all the staff who are kind, loving, helpful and funny. All the teachers have great personalities and make the students laugh. I will miss the beautiful French lessons where I got to learn a different language. I will definatly miss Mr. Elphick tricking me saying my shoe lace is undone and more, I will miss trying to trick him back but he never falls for it.

My favourite subject is science I've loved it ever since me and my best friend got told we were little scientists by our teacher Mrs. Riley.

My favourite school trip was when we went to PGL I had so many experiences especially when me and Preston were the only people in our class that made it to the top of Jacob's ladder (because we use the skill teamwork) and I also will always remember when we were blindfolded and Doormouse (Miss Sharp), Ms Taiclet and Mrs. Riley threw water and leaves on us, as part of the experience. Hope all the new Yr6's and the new Yr5's have the best time at PGL and I hope they all have fun.

I love being part of the Park Mead family and I wish Park Mead all the best of luck for the future.

Evie

I love Park Mead because when I came here in year 2 I got a warm welcome and all the teacher were so nice! I always loved Mrs. Riley's art lessons, she has been my teacher most years and she has seen me grow in my learning and as a person. The active mile was so much fun even though the name changed so many times! It went from the daily mile to the mile to the golden mile, to the green mile and then to the active mile. I loved it when Mr. Elphick told me my shoes was undone and the worst part of it is I always fell for it, even if I didn't have shoe laces!

I am going to miss my friends, especially one person I have known her since her little sister was born. We always used to say that forest school was when we became best friends! I hope that all the years have a good time and I hope they will have as much fun as I did!

I am going to a different secondary school from all my friends which is very very sad. Good luck to all of them and I loved being part of the Park Mead family!



Sofia



I love all the teachers especially Mrs Riley because she lets us have a brain break and she get us ice lollies when it's hot.

She also organises the treat times we have earned as a class.

I enjoyed Forest School because of the sense of freedom. I hope all the Year 5s have a great year 6 and everyone who joins has a wonderful time.

Daisy

I have loved my time at Park Mead because of the places we have been and the amazing teachers. They are kind when you need help with something- they will help you.

My favourite trip was going to PGL. It was so much fun. We did zip wires, we went on a big swing and did abseiling.

One trip I really loved was going to the beach when I was in Willows, with Mrs Symonds and we all dressed up as mermaids and pirates!



Clem

#### **School Games Award**



We are very proud and excited to announce that our application for the School Games Bronze Mark has been finalised and we have achieved the BRONZE award in recognition of all the hard work Mr Elphick and the Park Mead staff have put in over the last year. This is the highest award a school of our size can achieve.

This is fantastic news for Park Mead and the Pioneer Federation.



#### **Attendance**

At Park Mead we strive to improve the attendance of our students. Every school day provides opportunities for learning, as well as social and emotional development so it is noticeable when students miss school as it impacts their progress.

#### Attendance Whole School—Academic Year: 93.39%

	Last Week	Year
Willows:	93.89%	95.60%
Chestnuts:	82.50%	92.88%
Maples:	90.00%	92.95%
Oaks:	95.56%	93.52%

Less than 94.9% - Red 95—96.4% - Amber 96.5—99.9% - Green 100% - Gold





Please support us and your child to ensure that their attendance is a priority.



#### Leavers Assembly





The Year 6 Pupils had their Leavers' Assembly 18<sup>th</sup> July at 9.15.

They choose the songs they wanted to be played and decided on their favourite memories, they read aloud in turn to the whole school community and their parents. It was a wonderful celebration of their hard work and efforts over their time at Park Mead School. They are ready for the next phase of their school careers, aim high and achieve your dreams.

I want to thank all the families who have supported their children as they progressed through the school. Keep in touch- we would love to hear how they are doing!

All our fond wishes,

Mrs Riley and Ms Taiclet



#### <u>Cups</u>

Huge congratulations to both Charley who has been presented with the Michael Payne Achievement Award Emily who received the Caroline Payne Rippengal Cup for outstanding contribution.







The two winners were voted for by the KS2 children who were asked to nominate the person they felt best represented these values.

#### **Table Tennis Tournament**

On Friday 15 July four of our pupils took part in a table tennis tournament hosted by East Hoathly.

The tournament was won by East Hoathly but our players did a fantastic job, had some tight games and most of all had a whole lot of fun!! A huge thanks to East Hoathly for hosting and to Mr Procter for organising the event.

Indy said: "It was fun taking part"

Evie said: "I enjoyed playing against another school"





#### **Sports Day**

What a fantastic Sports Day we had on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2022, with amazing support from parents and staff which ensured the children had a fun, engaging and competitive afternoon. A huge '**well done**' to everyone who took part and a massive congratulations to Normans who won the Sports Day trophy with 380 points. Once again, the event wouldn't have been such a success the continual support of our staff and our lovely parents and carers.

SPORT DAY HOUSE POINTS TOTAL:	PARENTS RACES:	PARENT PRIZE WINNERS:
1 <sup>st</sup> – Normans – <b>380 Points</b>	MUMS RACE WINNER:	Herstmonceux Castle Visit – Claire Clark
2 <sup>nd</sup> – Romans – <b>337 Points</b>	Nikki Laker	Ten Pin Bowling Game – Marie Pattern
3 <sup>rd</sup> – Saxons – <b>331 Points</b>	DADS RACE WINNER:	Birthday Balloon Display – Hayley Parsons
4 <sup>th</sup> - Vikings – <b>329 Points</b>	Aaron Ripley	

#### **CHAMPIONS OF CHAMPIONS RACE WINNERS:**

EYFS	YEAR 1	YEAR 2		
1 <sup>st</sup> – Lottie	1 <sup>st</sup> – Harper-Rey	1 <sup>st</sup> – Kobe		
2 <sup>nd</sup> –Harry	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Archer	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Mia M		
3 <sup>rd</sup> – Eryn	3 <sup>rd</sup> – Molly	3 <sup>rd</sup> – Mia B		
YEAR 3	Year 4	Year 5		
1 <sup>st</sup> - Ollie	1 <sup>st</sup> – Freddie WS	1 <sup>st</sup> – Grace		
2 <sup>nd</sup> – Cody	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Harris	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Elsa		
3 <sup>rd</sup> – Sophie	3 <sup>rd</sup> – Bow	3 <sup>rd</sup> – Myles		
YEAR 6				
	1 <sup>st</sup> - Preston			
	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Gracie			
	3 <sup>rd</sup> – Emily	m rinn		

#### **OUSTANDING EFFORT WINNERS:**

WILLOWS:	CHESTNUTS:	MAPLES:	OAKS:
Ethan Claxton	Mia Macklin	Bow Leary	Emma Peck

#### FLOCK THEATRE PRESENTS

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#### Join this year's Summer Reading Challenge at <u>www.eastsussex.gov.uk/src</u>

#### Starts 9 July 2022 Ends 10 September 2022

The Reading Agency and libraries are excited to introduce Gadgeteers, Summer Reading Challenge 2022; a celebration of science and innovation, in partnership with the Science Museum Group.

The Reading Agency, along with the UK public library network, delivers the Summer Reading Challenge across the country every year. It is the UK's biggest annual reading promotion for children aged four to eleven. Throughout the Summer Reading Challenge, library staff, along with volunteers, help children to discover new authors and explore a wide range of different types of books, giving them a positive experience of reading for pleasure.

Sign your child up at...www.eastsussex.gov.uk/src If you don't have a smartphone, computer or tablet, you can sign up using a computer in the library. You can ask a one of our volunteers or a member of staff for help if you need it.

The Challenge will begin in <u>East Sussex libraries</u> on Saturday 9th July and end on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September.

The Challenge is to read any six books borrowed from the library or downloaded from our <u>ebook library</u>. For children under 4 we have the Pre-school Challenge, where you can collect stickers for each book shared and a special medal sticker at the end.

Children signing up for the Challenge get a character sticker and a Reader Record. Children will be able to collect a prize for each of the six books they have read. When they finish the Challenge they will get a certificate which they can receive in school or at the library. The Challenge is for all children, whatever their reading ability. Children who are not reading independently can share their books with a family member or friend, or they might prefer to listen to audio books.

To take part in Gadgeteers, children need to have their own library card and PIN. It is easy and free to become a member of the library. Take something with your name, address and signature on it (a driving licence is ideal as it has all of these) to the library and you can join the whole family, or you can join online and have your cards posted to you. You can reset your child's PIN online if you can't remember it or ask in the library for a new one.

Visit http://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/ for fun games, author interviews and book recommendations.



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