



PURLEY CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Upcoming dates

Weds 1st February

School closed to pupils

Weds 8th February 6.45pm

Year 6 SATS information session
for parents

Weds 8th February 7.30pm

150th Anniversary Working Party
meeting

Fri 10th February 3.15pm

End of Spring term 1

Mon 13th – Fri 17th February

Half Term

Mon 20th February

Start of Spring Term 2

W/c 27th February

Book Week

Thursday 2nd March

World Book Day – Author visit

W/c 13th March

Science Week

Tues 21st, Weds 22nd and

Thurs 23rd March *Timings TBA*

Face to face Parent Consultations

Thurs 30th March 1:15pm

End of Spring Term 2

Sat 8th July

Purley Primary School 150th
Anniversary Party

Message from Mrs Holland

We've had a varied range of learning experiences this week, including two 'virtual' lessons which have enabled our pupils to participate in enrichment activities:

In Owl Class, the pupils met the author Shane Hegarty. They designed imaginative ice creams and took part in a Q&A session about his novel 'The Shop of Impossible Ice Creams'. He described some of the fantastic ice cream creations in the books, shared the inspiration behind some of the character names and provided some top tips for budding authors.

Falcon Class took part in a STEM themed online lesson exploring the concepts of 'big' and 'small' which provided much food for thought!

I attended the FOPS meeting this week. We are so fortunate to benefit from a dedicated and active PTA. Later this term all of our pupils will benefit from an author visit and linked workshops, and we also plan to have an exciting launch to our Science Week in March. Each of these events will be funded entirely by FOPS. A huge thanks to all of you for your financial contributions and of course to the wonderful FOPS who work diligently behind the scenes and at events to support our school. A reminder too, that you are most welcome to come along to meetings to find out how you can join in with fundraising events.

Mrs Holland

Collective Worship



This week we have explored the value and sacrifice of friendship through Bible stories about Ruth. We learned about how she supported her friend Naomi through a challenging time even though it meant she had to make sacrifices. One way that God helps us through these bad times is by giving us friends who stick with us, even at the worst of times.

In candle time, we reflected that our friends are people who stand with us in good times and in bad times, and how we should never take them for granted.

Class Fundraising Christmas Project 2022 store re-opening

We have asked Class Fundraising to reopen our Christmas Project 2022 store in order for parents to purchase keepsakes they may have missed out on. Many of our parents have requested this as they were not able to purchase certain items due to stocking issues. Items are now available and you have until midnight on Friday 3rd February to place your order, with products being delivered in the week commencing February 27th. Please order via the following link: approve.myfundraisinghub.com. You will need to have the school code and design code from the original ordering form to place your order. If you need a copy of this please contact Mrs Street in the school office.



Children's Mental Health Week 6th – 12th February 2023

This year's topic is "Let's Connect" and is about making meaningful connections for all, during Children's Mental Health Week - and beyond. We want to encourage young people to connect with others in healthy, rewarding, and meaningful ways.

West Berkshire Council's Emotional Health Academy and The Mental Health Support Team are working together to provide opportunities for young people to attend drop in sessions, to speak to one of their practitioners, after school, during Children's Mental Health Week.

Please see the attached flyer for more details.

Vacancies

We currently have vacancies at the school including a Clerk to the Governors, School Business Manager and a 1-1 TA. Please see the school website for more information on the roles available: <https://www.purleyprimaryschool.co.uk/page/?title=Vacancies&pid=17>



Kids with Bricks Club

Thank you to those who voted for our model in last week's Bricks competition. This week the quick build challenge was a supercar. A photo of this has now been uploaded onto the Kids with Bricks website.

Please support our entry by voting for Purley Primary School at:
<https://www.kidswithbricks.com/voting-page>



Well Done!

Well done to: Theo J on becoming a **Wannabe**, Alice on becoming a **Garage Rocker**, Izaac on becoming a **Busker**, Zaynah, Darcy and Harry B on becoming **Breakthrough Artists**, Belle, Isaak, Layla and Mason on becoming **Support Acts**, George B, and Jacob on becoming **Headliners** and George C, Amelia Mae, Sienna and Chloe on becoming **Rock Stars**. Their speeds are improving week on week. Keep up the good work!

A Parent Guide and further information about TTRS can be found at the dedicated page of our [website](#).