



PURLEY CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Upcoming dates

W/c 27th February

Book Week

Thurs 2nd March

School is open

Thursday 2nd March

World Book Day – Author visit

Thurs 2nd March 6pm

Year's 4 & 5 Camping info meeting

Friday 10th March

Science workshops (all classes)

W/c 13th March

Science Week

Tuesday 14th March

FOPS meeting

Tues 21st and Weds 22nd March

Face to face Parent Consultations

Thurs 30th March 1:15pm

End of Spring Term 2

Mon 17th April

Start of Summer Term 1

Weds 26th April

Year 5 Denefield Roadshow

Thurs 27th April

Bags2School collection

Sat 8th July

150th birthday celebration

Sun 5th November

Thameside Firework Fiesta

Message from Mrs Holland

Spring has finally sprung and we've been blessed with some beautiful sunshine this week! Our new class topics have begun and our children are enthusiastically taking part in learning activities inspired by topics as diverse as dinosaurs, the Tudors and different World Faiths.

Our PSHE theme this term is 'Healthy Me' and in-class discussions will focus on making choices to help keep our bodies and minds healthy. Mental wellbeing is one of our School Development priorities for this academic year and as part of that, we have embarked upon a new whole-school approach called Stormbreak. This has as its focus mentally healthy movement. So far, Owl Class and Falcon class have trialled some of the movement breaks and Badger Class have participated in some of the whole school break time 'stormbreaks'. These are designed to both promote movement and provide opportunities for age appropriate meaningful conversations about mental health. We will be sending home some more information about this in coming weeks. In the meantime, you can find out more about Stormbreak [here](#).

We look ahead to Book Week which starts on Monday and our Science week in a couple of weeks' time. It's another busy few weeks ahead, so be sure to check our dates (left) are on the family calendar!

Mrs Holland

Collective Worship

This half term, our Collective Worship sessions are inspired by The Beatitudes, using the ODBE 'Come and See' materials throughout Lent. The Beatitudes are the core values of the Christian faith. They offer a way of life which is different from the world's values and a way of living in Jesus's family. Jesus says that it is the poor in spirit, the mourners, the meek, those who seek righteousness, those who are merciful, pure in heart, the peacemakers and the persecuted who are blessed; the people who are not served by this world, but serve this world, that make it a better place altogether.

In Class Candle Times this week, we have been looking at the Beatitudes through the idea of reflection and mirrors. We explored how to reflect love and light into the world.

Eco Committee Recipe

The recipe chosen by the Eco Committee for this week's newsletter is Crusty pasta and broccoli bake- we hope you will encourage your children to try this delicious recipe by making at home. Don't forget we would love to see photos of your final dish ...and we would love to know what you think! Please send your photos and comments to the school office. *Mrs Solari, Eco Schools Coordinator*



World Book Day 2023

How will we be celebrating at Purley Primary School?

This year is all about promoting reading for pleasure. We are holding a competition in school to see who can find the most unusual place to read in!

You started over half term exploring exciting places to read. Now it's time to take the photograph of your child reading in their favourite place (this needs to be somewhere they can read comfortably!) and email entries to the office by **Friday 3rd March**.

Rather than just World Book Day we will be hosting a World Book Week to really promote that reading for pleasure! Here is what we have on offer for our children.

- **Tuesday** 28th February - The launch of our ***Big Purley Book Hunt***. Each class will be reading an exciting book in school and then releasing it into the village to be found and read by someone else. Keep a look out for these packs and let's see how many children get to enjoy the books. They could be found in the park, in the shop, at the café, near the school, at the bus stop.....
Find it, read it and release it again for someone else to enjoy!
- **Wednesday** 1st March - ***House 'Booknic'***. Children will enjoy sharing books, poems, comics, magazines in their houses. Hot chocolate and biscuits will be provided. **Please send your child in with their own mug and chosen reading material for the occasion**
- **Thursday** 2nd March - ***Visiting author*** Christian Darkin will be running workshops across all classes. Children will have the opportunity to buy a signed copy of one of his books during the day or at pick up time. See separate note for further details.
- **Thursday** 2nd March - All children will go home with the £1 book token to spend on one of the World Book Day books or put towards a book of their choice.
- **Friday** 3rd March - ***The Great Book Swap***. A chance to sort through book shelves at home and an opportunity to swap a pre-loved book for an exciting new one. And all for free! Children will donate **one** (age appropriate) book to school that **they** think their class friends would enjoy reading. Please bring your book to school ready to donate by **Thursday 2nd March**.

On Friday, each child will choose a new book from the collection in their class to take home and enjoy reading.

Mrs Lyn Jones, English Coordinator

Christian Darkin - Signed Book Sale.

On Thursday 2nd March the children will have the opportunity to buy a signed copy of our visiting author's books.

The books will be on sale after each class workshop for children to purchase.

Please send your child in with the correct money in a named envelope or purse.

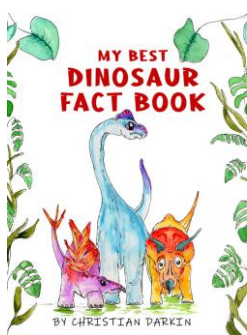
Chapter books are **£5**

Picture books are **£6**

Books for older children are **£7**

Alternatively, he will be available at the end of the school day should you wish to purchase a book with your child.

Should he run out of a particular book he will take names, order more copies and send them back to school for us to distribute.



Well Done!

Well done to: Ava and Hannah on becoming **Buskers**, Margaux on becoming a **Gigger**, Phoebe Tig on becoming an **Breakthrough Artist**, Izaac, Darcie S, Ella B, on becoming **Support Acts**, Jake on becoming a **Headliner**, Rory on becoming a **Rock Star** and Ollie on becoming a **Rock Legend**.

It was great to see that some pupils were able to sustain their progress even over the half term break!



Kids with Bricks Club

This week the quick build challenge was a Jester. 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>

FOPS News



We would like to remind you of our weekly lottery for Purley Primary School through 'Your School Lottery'.

You can enter via the following link

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/purley-ce-primary-school>

Tickets for the lottery cost just £1 per week. There is a guaranteed cash winner from Purley Primary every week and the chance to win the **£25,000** jackpot.

The draw takes place every Saturday & Your School Lottery will notify the winners via email. Match all 6 numbers and you win the **JACKPOT!**

For every ticket you play, 76% goes to your school and prizes. If you sign up, there is also a chance of winning a £500 bike voucher.

*A really easy way to help raise money for the school, with a chance of winning something in return
- good luck everyone!*

Easter Holiday Club at Long Lane School

During the Easter break Mighty All Stars will be offering holiday care for Reception to Year 6 children at Long Lane Primary School:

The days will be Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, both weeks.

8am to 5pm. £35.00 includes a light tea

9am to 3pm £30.00

The booking system is now open and places can be booked via the following link:

<https://mightyallstars.schoolipal.co.uk/>