



# PURLEY CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Upcoming dates

### **Tues 16<sup>th</sup> May**

Falcon Class Primary Science Workshop

### **Fri 26<sup>th</sup> May**

End of Summer Term 1

### **HALF TERM**

### **Mon 5<sup>th</sup> June**

Start of Summer Term 2

### **Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> – Fri 9<sup>th</sup> June**

Years 4 & 5 Camping trip

### **Tues 13<sup>th</sup> June**

Whole school photo

### **Mon 26<sup>th</sup> June**

Sports Week

### **Weds 28<sup>th</sup> June 6:45pm**

Welcome to EYFS meeting for new starters

### **Fri 30<sup>th</sup> June**

Sports Day

### **Sat 8<sup>th</sup> July**

150th birthday celebration

### **Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> July 1:15pm**

End of academic year

### **Tues 5<sup>th</sup> September**

Start of new academic year

### **Sun 5<sup>th</sup> November**

Thameside Firework Fiesta celebration

## **Message from Mrs Holland**

It's been another very busy 4-day week here at Purley!

Last week's coronation celebrations on Friday were very much enjoyed by all. It was wonderful to see so many children modelling fantastic costumes and customised crowns, many of which had been made together with their families at home. Thank you to all the Mums, Dads and grandparents who got busy with various gems, glitter and fabric glue!

This week both Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 pupils have been completing end of key stage assessments. This has required quite a bit of organisation and alternative timetabling. Thank you to all the staff and pupils for being so flexible and accommodating.

Our enrichment of the curriculum has continued this week with a visit by Owl Class to our local Mosque (read on for the report by our class correspondents), and Year 3, 4 and 5 pupils have enjoyed their cricket coaching sessions too. They managed to avoid the downpours for some, but not all of these visits....

Outside the front entrance to the school, our potato plants for the House competition are growing nicely, and we've just received our King Charles wildflower seeds, so our green-fingered pupils will be providing an update soon! *Mrs Holland*



## **This Week in Collective Worship...**

We have been reflecting in our classes this week on our theme of **respect**. This week we have learned about how we can show respect for others in school, as well as showing respect for ourselves.

Our children participated in quizzes, drama scenarios and board games, all exploring different times and ways that we could show respect towards each other

### Census Day - Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May

It is Census day on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May. One of the most important aspects of the census is that the money we receive from the Government to pay for KS1 school meals is based on the number of meals taken on Thursday.

**Please encourage your children, particularly in those in Reception, Year 1 and 2 to book a school meal on Thursday (menu attached).** The Pantry have devised a special 'School Favourites@ menu for the day. The meals are provided at no cost to you if your child is in Hedgehog or Badger Class, but can make a significant difference to school funding. We thank you for your support with this.

### Eco Committee Recipe

The recipe chosen by the Eco Committee for this week's newsletter is **Courgette and Ricotta pizza**. The Eco warriors are keen to try this one! We hope you will encourage your children to enjoy this delicious recipe by making it 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*

### Year 6 SATS

Well done to all Year 6 pupils for the focus and commitment you have shown this week. You have demonstrated resilience, courage and wisdom.

We are very proud of **each and every one** of you. Thanks also to Year 5 for the support and encouragement given to their fellow Falcon Class team members. A huge thank you also goes to the rest of the school for their help and assistance over the past 4 days.

Year 6 are today modelling their personalised 'Leavers' hoodies and we look ahead to the other end of term rites of passage, including the end of term production, details and dates for which will be coming soon!



Places are still available at our exciting new **after school science club** starting after May half term. Please see the attached letter for more information and booking details.

Bright Sparks say "Our after school clubs are both educationally rewarding and enormous fun for children. They present fundamental scientific principles by stealth, with each session offering a memorable mixture of inspiring demonstrations & stimulating hands-on activities — so much fun, that children don't even realise they're learning! "

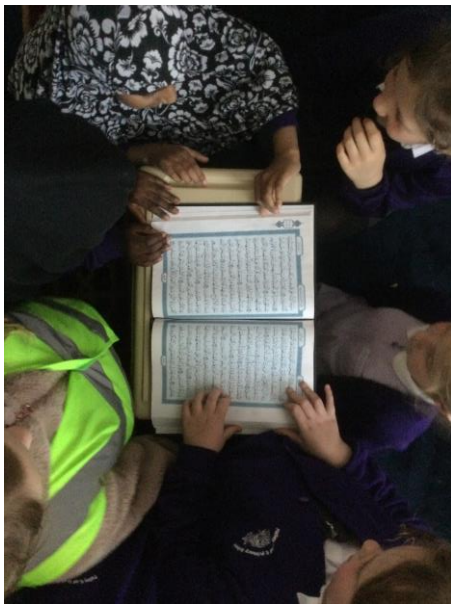
## Owl Class visit to the Abu Bakr Islamic Centre

"On Wednesday afternoon Owl class went to the Mosque. We all travelled on the bus from Purley. When we got there we all had to wait under the shelter because it was pouring with rain. We met the Imam who took us inside. We all had to take off our shoes and put them in a special place. We were then taken to the prayer room. The 1:30pm prayer was going on and there were about sixty men in the room praying. The women were in a different room.

After we had watched the prayer we were taken to the room where they have their special Friday prayers. There was a minbar in there which has steps, and the prophet sits at the top. We saw the Quran and the Imam recited some from memory. Aqsa also recited the first chapter in Arabic. We then went into the school room where the Imam told us the alphabet in Arabic (it has 28 letters). He told us that the oldest person that attends the school is 68 and the youngest is 4. We also went into a room where they eat together at Eid and after sunset at Ramadan. We then had apple juice, crisps and a biscuit. Then it was time to leave.

Some people were picked up at the Tesco car park, some of us came back to school on the bus in the rain "

*Harry V and Zara T, Owl Class*





## Community News



**PURLEY PLAYERS**

We are your local amateur dramatics group based in Purley on Thames. We produce three types of shows, Pantomimes, Comedy/Farce plays and Murder Mystery Evenings which include a meal.

We are looking for new members either to be on stage or to work behind the scenes with scenery and costumes.

If you would like to join us please get in touch to have a chat or arrange to meet. To make contact email us on: [mail@purleyplayers.uk](mailto:mail@purleyplayers.uk)

To have a look at the shows we have done in the past visit our website page:  
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