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## Friday Bulletin

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Recently Mrs Pickering and I attended a PE conference. It was a real eye opener! We were amazed at the impact of physical activity on our bodies and life spans. This includes things as simple as walking and standing up and down as well as sport.



After the Easter holidays we started our daily Zumba 5 minutes. A big thank you to Mrs Anderson for choreographing for us and a big thank you to FOPS for supporting us with purchasing sound equipment. It is amazing to see already, the improvement in fitness and co-ordination amongst both staff and pupils.

Did you know that the UK is even worse than America for inactivity and this sedentary lifestyle is having a big impact on mortality rates. This starts from the age of 6! Fatty tissue starts building up after 20 minutes of inactivity.

Next week, we are having our sports week. It is an opportunity for those who may not be too keen on traditional sports like football to try other activities. For children who already enjoy and who are good at sport, it is an opportunity for them to see if their skills are transferrable. We will also be encouraging pupils to watch different sporting highlights and find out a bit more about them.

Here's hoping for a fun filled week, ending with our Sports day on Friday.

### COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

In collective worship this week, the children discussed how different some of them were from their brothers and sisters. Some children were taller and liked different activities from their siblings, and most said they sometimes argued.

The children learnt about brothers Jacob and Esau, who were very different, one liked hunting, the other staying home. Esau was his father's favourite, and Jacob his mother's. When he grew up, Jacob tricked Esau out of his father's blessing and the family fortune. Esau wanted to kill Jacob when he found out so he had to run away.

The children, discussed how they would feel if they had been Esau, some said 'Angry or Sad'

others, said 'Furious, and Tearful'. The story of Jacob and Esau has a happy ending. God forgives Jacob and so does Esau. The children were challenged this week not to be like Jacob but to be kind, considerate and to help one another. Why not ask your child to tell you the memory verse they learnt in collective this week.  
*Mrs Henson, Foundation Governor*

### GREEN PARK CHALLENGE



Well done to everyone who joined me on Sunday for the Green Park Challenge 3km run. You were all amazing and all achieved personal bests in some aspect, improved times, competing without stopping and achieving 3km

for the first time. Huge congratulations to Olly, Oscar and Jaime who completed it in 15 mins. *Mrs Pickering*



## FOUNDATION WOODLAND SCHOOL



This week the children noticed that over the holidays many of the plants had been growing, such as nettles, brambles and ferns. Daniel told everyone that the ferns had been around when the dinosaurs had been roaming the earth, and Lewis noticed that they looked like the palm leaves laid on the floor for Jesus and the donkey to walk on for Palm Sunday. The children had great fun making mud gooey enough to stick onto trees. They decorated the muddy mounds to look like faces using things they found lying on the woodland floor.

*Mrs Burton*



## FS1 PLACES



FS1 places are available to children who turn 4 in the next academic year (before September 2019). We offer 5 mornings a week (term time), 9.00 till 12.00. As we still have a couple of FS1 spaces for September, we would be happy to accommodate part time requests.

If you would like further information, please contact the office.

## CHICKENPOX

We've had a few more cases of chickenpox in school. For further information on chickenpox, please see the link below:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/chickenpox/>

## SPORTS DAY - REMINDER

Our school sports day is being held on **Friday 15th June**, should the weather be unfavourable on this day, our reserve date is Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June.

Both KS1 and KS2 events will be held at Bucknells Meadow (not at the school field). Hedgehog and Badger will start at 10.00 am and finish at approx. 11.45. Owl and Woodpecker will commence at 1.30 pm. KS1 children will join us at the meadow for the award ceremony at approx. 2.15.

Children to come in dressed in their PE kit (including house colour t-shirt). PE kits will be sent home the previous night. Please also make sure that your child has a water bottle.

We will once again be finishing with a Race for Life event: £2 suggested entry fee. It will take place after the KS2 events and is open to all children and adults.

All children to be collected from Bucknells Meadow, at 3.00 pm. Please ensure that you have told us that you have collected your child.

Children will compete in their houses and need to wear a t-shirt in the colour of their house.

**Fiery Fox: Red**      **Earthy Bear: Green**  
**Airy Heron: White**   **Watery Otter: Blue**

## HEDGEHOG CLASS



This week the children have been sharing and comparing different versions of Little Red Riding Hood.

Who knew that the wolf could be dealt with in so many ways?! The children drew story maps to help them retell and write the story, and used the small world figures and puppets to act out the tale and imagine different scenarios. The children helped to decide the new outdoors location for our snack table – under the shelter was the preferred option as it was in the shade and will stay dry. They have also been using the new china cups and saucers, washing and drying them ready for the next person to use. *Mrs Burton*

## BADGER CLASS



Badger class have had a busy first week back at school. We have been enjoying the animated story, "The Black Hat" and written some great descriptions of the characters and the setting using expanded noun phrases. On Thursday, we had a special delivery.....a diary entry from the little boy in the story! This inspired us to then have a go at writing our own diary entries.

Using a music program on the computer, we have started to explore different sounds and compose a musical piece called, "The enchanted woodland."

In Maths, Y1 have started to investigate weight and use balance scales to find out the weight of different objects using non-standard units of measurement. Y2 have been looking at estimating calculations by rounding numbers to the nearest 10. In Science, we are exploring the requirements of plants for germination, growth and survival. *Mrs Lyn-Jones*

## OWL CLASS



Owl Class have been working extremely hard this week in English. They have completed both a grammar and a reading comprehension assessment. I am extremely proud of each and every one of them, they did amazingly well. In Maths, the Cubes have continued with the grid method for multiplication and using this skill to solve word problems. The Spheres have been practising their timetables and using formal written methods of multiplication to solve

problems. The Year 3 children have been thinking about healthy eating and making granola bars. They have looked at the work of Giuseppe Arcimboldo and used this to create their facial portraits made from fruit and vegetables. The Year 4 children have been camping at Rushall Farm, more details on their adventures in next week's newsletter.

*Mrs Pickering*

## WOODPECKER CLASS



As Mrs Archer is away on the Year 6 residential trip this year, there will be an update next week.

## STARS OF THE WEEK



### Hedgehog Class

**Star of the week:** Arthur for helping to resolve conflicts

**Friendship Star:** Lewis for considering his friends feelings when choosing who to play with

**Paragon:** Jax

**Woodland Star:** Jax for persevering when he couldn't get the mud to stick to the tree

### Badger Class

**Star of the week:** Elsie for writing a beautiful description of the woodland setting

**Friendship Star:** Ciara for being a cheerful and respectful member of the class

**Paragon:** Samuel

### Owl Class

**Star of the week:** Ben for thinking carefully about his grammar and attaining a much improved score

**Friendship Star:** Hiba for supporting her friends and teachers in the classroom

**Delightful diners:** Ella, Lilly-May, Mia, Hiba, Mason, Toby, Callum, Dylan

## DIARY DATES

w/c 11/06/18	Sports Week
11/12 June	Bikeability – Year 6
w/c 11/06/18	Year 1 Phonics
15/06/18	Sports Day at Bucknells Meadow KS1 10.00-11.45, KS2 1.30-2.15

20/06/18	Whole School Photo
22/06/18	Sports Day (Reserve)
27/06/18	New Foundation Welcome Evening
02/07/18	Badger/Woodpecker trip to the Dome, Madjeski Stadium
11/07/18	Hedgehog/Badger School Trip to Woolley Firs
11/07/18 12/07/18	Year 6 Production, 6.30pm
12/07/18	Owl Class School Trip to Blue Reef Aquarium
13/07/18	FOPS Summer Party
18/07/18	Open Afternoon, 1.30 pm
19/07/18	Year 6 Leavers Party, after school (time tbc)
20/07/18	Year 6 Leavers Assembly, 9.15 am
20/07/18	End of Academic Year, <b>1.15pm</b>
04/11/18	Thameside Fireworks Fiesta

## Reminders

- PE kit in school every day next week.
- Named water bottles are needed daily.
- House colour t-shirt for Sports Day

As always, please remember our doors are open, should you wish to discuss any concerns, ask questions or celebrate successes regarding your children. You can contact me by phone on 0118 9842384 or email: [headteacher@purley.w-berks.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@purley.w-berks.sch.uk)

**Karen Fakes (Headteacher),**  
**Learn to Love, love to Learn**

# Community Page

This year's **Pangbourne Village Fete** has a festival/circus theme and is being held on the afternoon of **Saturday 9 June** on Pangbourne Meadow. See the FaceBook page for updates -

<https://en-gb.facebook.com/PangbourneVillageFete/>



1<sup>st</sup> Purley and Pangbourne Scout Group will provide breakfast rolls at the Farmers Market this Saturday.

They will also provide refreshments and games at Pangbourne Fete.

These community events raise invaluable funds for the group.

The Corn Exchange has a variety of activities available for children and young people over the Summer holidays.

<https://cornexchangenew.com/learning/young-people-workshops>

## Purley Parish Council

A great way to find out what's on locally is to look at this link:

<http://www.purleyonthames-pc.gov.uk/whats-on/>

You can also subscribe to the Parish Council electronic newsletter by emailing Sarah Williams (Assistant Clerk), [asstclerk@purleyonthames-pc.gov.uk](mailto:asstclerk@purleyonthames-pc.gov.uk)

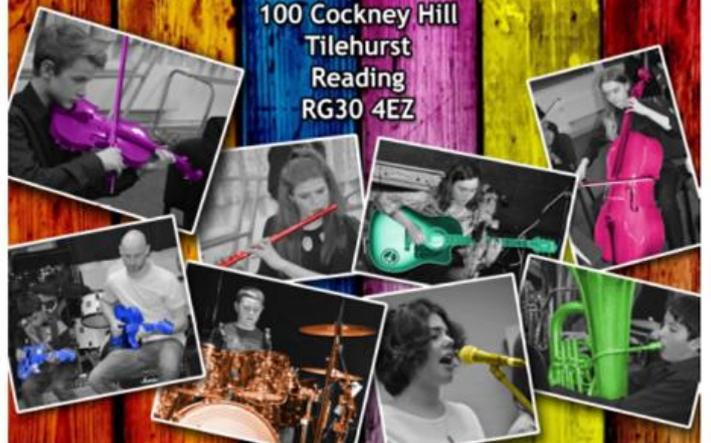


Come and try all of our instruments for FREE!  
All ages welcome!

## 'HAVE A GO' EVENING

Wednesday 18 July 6pm - 8pm

Reading Music Centre  
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100 Cockney Hill  
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Reading  
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