



Purley CE Primary School

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Friday Bulletin

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Here at Purley we take the safety of our children very seriously, as was recognised by an outstanding judgement in our last OFSTED report.

From half term the back gate will be closed at the end of the day in order to safeguard our children in after school club. This will mean that if you collect your child after 4 p.m, you will need to use the front gate.

Let us work together to keep our children safe.

Have a lovely half term and see you all on Monday 4th June.

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP



When we're young, we just want to be old. This week, I shared how as an adult we have days well...when we just don't

want to and explored why our children are so keen to be an adult before their time. We listened with an air of confusion to Jesus sharing with his disciples that they, we must be like children. As adults, we run the risk of feeling bitter, being untrusting, being sceptical, always wondering. And while children wonder too, and ask some mind-blowing big questions, they approach life and their spiritual journey with a sense of awe, interest, belief, courage, honesty, simplicity. Wouldn't you like to be more like that? Why not take a moment to see what your child thinks.

Pam Slingsby, Foundation Governor

FOPS

In line with the new data protection regulations which have come into force today, FOPS have updated their privacy notice which can be found on the school website at <http://purleyprimarieschool.co.uk/gdpr.php>. Please do take time to read it when you have a moment.

Once again, thank you to everyone who has supported us this last half term. Have a great week!

ISS

Following on from feedback, ISS have confirmed that they will switch to boneless chicken thighs from w/c 4th June for Foundation and KS1 children.

GDPR

The updated Privacy Notice was sent out via Parentmail earlier this week. Please make sure you read it and confirm that you've seen it by submitting the form. Photo consent form also needs completing if you haven't done so yet. Thank you for your support.

FOUNDATION WOODLAND SCHOOL



Hedgehog class certainly had an adventure in the woods this week! When we got there we were met by workmen who told us we were unable to reach our usual spot, so we decided to be resourceful and find a different area to explore. We tried one way, but the nettles had grown too high for us to feel safe, so we found another area which suited our needs. We spent a fun morning exploring the new site, discovering

a variety of beetles and other insects, and creating an exciting new den amongst the branches of a large bush. *Mrs Burton*



CHICKENPOX

There is a case of chickenpox in Badger Class. For further information on chickenpox, please see the link below:

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

PARKING

We have had a complaint from a neighbour about parents parking on the double yellow lines at the front of the school and blocking access. Please remember to park appropriately even if it is just to drop off.

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 22nd 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.

We will once again be finishing with a Race for Life event, more details to follow nearer the time. All children to be collected from Bucknells Meadow, at 3.00pm. 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 thoroughly enjoyed performing to the school when they lead the collective worship.

They spent time producing artwork and learning actions to accompany the story of *The Fisherman's Wife*, and created a class prayer focussing on the things they were thankful for. The children have also been thinking about friendships; making new friends and choosing whether to join in or not.

At story time, the children enjoyed hearing the tale of *Little Beaver and the Echo*, and it inspired their choice of topic for next term: *Once upon a time...time...time*. They will be using traditional tales and favourite stories to develop their learning. *Mrs Burton*

BADGER CLASS



Badger class have tried to be as creative as possible when looking at similarities and differences between fairy tales. Working with partners, they came up with some wonderfully original ideas. In Art, we looked at how to improve our sketching and gave each other constructive critique. We went outside to look even more closely at the old school building and had another go at sketching it. We were amazed at how much better our drawings were the second time round and how adding detail to our sketches really improved the quality of our art work. In Maths, Y1 children have been using number bonds to 10 and doubles to help them add up 3 small numbers. Without being aware of it, Y2 have worked really hard this week with their KS1 Maths SATS. I was extremely proud of all their efforts and perseverance. Well done to them all. *Mrs Lyn-Jones*

OWL CLASS



Life has been very busy in Owl class again this week as we finished last week on a rather Royal theme. To mark the wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan, the children had to solve a mathematical challenge to find out who unwrapped all the presents and then design a commemorative plate. This week in English, the children have continued to think about emotions and will be writing a diary extract from the film we have been studying; expressing how the girl

would have been feeling and giving reasons why. In Maths, the Cubes are starting to learn the grid method for multiplication and the Spheres are looking at negative numbers. On Tuesday, Sue Briscoe, Chair of Purley Parish Council, came to talk to Owl class about the Parish Council's role in our community and how they, the children, could help to make it an even better place to live. They came up with some great ideas and will be emailing these to her. This fitted in nicely with the community project that they will be doing with the Prince William Award.

We are looking forward to our musical showcase on Friday afternoon, when some of the children will be singing or playing instruments as part of their home learning projects.

Have a lovely half term, don't forget to do lots of reading and practise your spellings and KIRFS.
Mrs Pickering

WOODPECKER CLASS



The highlight of this week for many year 5s has been their bikeability experience. They have cycled many miles, on roads, through fields, along tracks and footpaths. They have learned to navigate safely and cycle with confidence. Well done year 5. Year 6 will be engaging with similar challenges next term.

Woodpecker class have also been building bridges this week: both figurative and literal. Our figurative bridges have been covered in PSHE: how do we reach out to each other and what can we do when we are struggling or worried about something? The NSPCC ran a workshop for the class where we learned about Childline and how important communicating can be in overcoming troubles. The literal bridges studied by the class included four different types: beam, cantilever, arch and suspension. In groups, the children then went on to design, build and evaluate their own bridges.

In Science, we have come to the end of our topic on light, considering why our shadows change in length and direction as the earth rotates about its axis.

In Maths, we have been consolidating our understanding of perimeter and long division, whilst in English, we have continued our adventures with the intrepid explorer, Robinson Crusoe.

I hope everyone has a wonderful half-term break. Year 6, don't forget to turn up at Pangbourne Primary School for 9 a.m on the first day back. *Mrs Archer*

STARS OF THE WEEK



Hedgehog Class

Star of the week: Amelia-Mae for her progress in reading

Friendship Star: Brandon for making new friends at lunchtime

Paragon: Oscar

Woodland Star: Brandon for calmly staying still when a huge bee buzzed around his head, even though he felt scared

Superstar: Daniel for his independent writing

Badger Class

Star of the week: Frankie for working with such perseverance

Friendship Star: Charlie for having a caring attitude with his learning partner and helping him to complete his work

Paragon: Isaak

Superstar: Sydney for approaching his work with enthusiasm and constantly sharing his great knowledge with others.

Owl Class

Star of the week: Abi for trying really hard in her maths

Friendship Star: Mia for always being kind, helpful and supportive to everyone

Paragon: Brayden

Superstar: Lucas for his amazing attitude to his learning

Woodpecker Class

Star of the week: Gracie, for outstanding Rivers work and for making excellent progress with her KIRFs

Friendship Star: Somaya for wonderful teamwork on her Rivers video

Paragon: Ryan

Superstar: Corey for really hard work all term

Delightful diners: Arthur, Brandon, Jaihdn, Elliott, Ethan, Grace, Casey and Molly

Reminders

- Please make sure that your child's PE is back in school after half term.
- Please check your child's uniform items are named clearly as it helps to reunite them with the children.

DIARY DATES

25/05/18	End of Summer Term 1, 3.00pm
28/05/18 - 01/06/18	Half Term
04/06/18	Start of Summer Term 2
04/06/18 – 08/06/18	Year 6 Residential Trip to Swanage
07/06/18 & 08/06/18	Year 4/5 Camping Trip to Rushall Farm
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 (KS1 am/KS2 pm)
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
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, 1.15pm
04/11/18	Thameside Fireworks Fiesta

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

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

Community Page



TVS Thames Vale Singers
present their
60th Anniversary Concerts
Music from every decade of the choir's history

3.00 pm and 7.30 pm, Saturday 30 June 2018
The Memorial Hall, Purley on Thames, RG8 8DP

Tickets £10 (including refreshments)
Children under 16 free but must obtain a ticket
On sale from Wednesday 9 May 2018
Tel: 0118 984 3668 or 0118 942 4372

www.thamesvalesingers.org.uk



Pangbourne Canoe Club will be holding a
Free COME AND TRY session on
Saturday 2nd June
10.15am - 12.00pm

All ages and abilities welcome
Family orientated (8yrs +)
DBS and fully qualified coaches
Equipment provided
Dolphin House, Whitchurch Road, Pangbourne

Please wear clothing suitable for weather conditions on the day and preferably neoprene type shoes. Bring a change of clothing
If you'd like to find out more Contact Vicky on 01189 428001,
Or let us know you are coming by registering on the Adventure dolphin website

If you enjoy it we have intro courses starting on the 14th of June 6:30pm

<https://adventuredolphin.co.uk/event/come-and-try-marathon-boating-2/>

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

The annual **Beale Park Boat and Outdoor Show** will take place from Friday 1 to Sunday 3 June and includes a vintage vehicle show. For more information, including cost of entrance, see www.bealeparkboatandoutdoorshow.co.uk/

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/>

To mark the 50th anniversary of the last trolleybus operating in Reading, Sunday 3 June will be **Reading Vintage Bus Running Day**, and vintage/preserved buses of Reading or Thames Valley origin will be offering free bus rides to local destinations starting from Station Approach, Reading - <http://www.reading.gov.uk/article/11337/Reading-Vintage-Bus-Running-Day>