

# Purley CE Primary School

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## Friday Bulletin

26<sup>th</sup> January 2018



You will most probably have heard on the news about the concern regarding the unhealthy snacks that children are having. Children eat 3 times more sugar than they should, which can lead to serious health problems later in life. 50% of the sugar comes from sugary snacks and drinks.

My heart sinks whenever I hear that schools need to do more to monitor children's eating habits and there are always some parents who are unhappy about this. We try our best in school to highlight these issues but so much is down to you the parents. We have distributed a Snack challenge with the bulletin this week. Can you rise to the challenge?

### COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week in Collective Worship, we learnt that everyone is welcome in God's family and he is never too busy to listen to our prayers. We discovered that although Jesus was very busy healing people, he welcomed children and spent time praying for them.

The children explored ways they could share God's love with others this week, caring, being a friend. But more importantly that whatever happens God loves each one of them and is never too busy to listen to their prayers.

*Mrs Henson, Foundation Governor*

### FOPS

The next FOPS Committee meeting will be held on Thursday 1 February at 7.30pm. Please let us know if you have any fundraising ideas or contributions to planned events.

FOPS have been asked to support Woodpecker Class on their topic, Starship Enterprise project. A few of the Committee members were incredibly privileged to be asked to be on a FOPS Dragons panel where each group presented their fundraising ideas and were looking for an investment from FOPS to implement their projects by Easter, returning any profits they make to be reinvested in the school.

The children did brilliantly and have lots of great ideas - there are some real entrepreneurs in the making!! The Dragons will be helping the project teams so please look out for their plans being put into action over the coming weeks and support them where you can.

### PARKING

Please remember to park considerately at drop off and pick up time; with consideration to emergency vehicle access; residents' drives and child visibility. This is to safeguard the health, safety and welfare both of the local residents, parents and the children.

### PURLEY TALENT SHOW



Please check the 'Form' section in Parentmail. Deadline to return the form is Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February. Please ask your child to come and see me if they have any questions.

### PARENTS EVENINGS

Don't forget to make your appointment for your parents evening. If you have any problems, please speak to Mrs Ham.

## INFORMATION EVENINGS

We had a successful parent information evening regarding maths this week. Thank you to all who attended and your positive feedback.

The comprehension evening has now been rescheduled to Thursday 8th March. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible as reading comprehension progress is an area of focus for us this year. A new form will be available in Parentmail next week to confirm your attendance.

If you would like more information on how to support your child, please let us know and we can organise another evening.

## HEDGEHOG CLASS



The recent cold weather inspired the children to carry out some experiments with ice. They used salt to make sticky ice and made predictions as to what would happen if warm or cold water was added to pieces of ice. This week, the children turned their weekend news writing into a class newspaper for everyone to share. Sydney helped Mrs McConnell to catch the first butterfly of the year to venture into our garden and we used it as a focus for our work on symmetry. *Mrs Burton*

## BADGER CLASS



Continuing on from last week's cloud making work, Badger class have had fun designing weather making machines for all kinds of different weather conditions. We have had machines for making rainbows, wind, hailstones, sleet, snow and tornados. After sharing their designs with their learning partners and giving each other feedback, we then wrote detailed instructions on how to make them work. In art we have completed our seasonal trees using collage. They look incredible and we are very proud of them. We have learnt the cycle of the seasons and which months belong to each season. Using a computer program we have collected data to show which type of weather we prefer and used the information gathered to make pictograms. In maths Y1 have also been ordering numbers and Y2 have been working on multiplication and division. *Mrs Lyn-Jones*

## OWL CLASS



This week the Romans have invaded our English lessons! The children have been learning about how Rome got its name through the Roman legend of Romulus and Remus. I am sure they would be happy to tell you all about it! In Maths, the Cubes have been adding 2 and 3 digit numbers using the partitioning method and the spheres have been rounding to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000.

In RE, we are looking at "Is a holy journey necessary?". We have also been looking at the pilgrimage people of different faiths make. The children then wrote a postcard from one of their choice as if they had been there.

Last week, we tasted some American cookies that our friends from Edgewood School sent us and voted for our favourite. We are now hoping to have a hangout with them to discuss our opinions and to find out what they thought of the biscuits we sent them.

Next week we will be researching life in Roman Britain.

Change of date for Roman dress up day and banquet, this will now be on Thursday 8th February.

Don't forget our family trip to Silchester Roman Village on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> February. *Mrs Pickering*

## WOODPECKER CLASS



Woodpecker presented their fundraising project proposals to a wonderful panel of FOPS representatives this week. Each group has devised a plan to raise money for FOPS but need a cash investment and a FOPS sponsor to help guide them with their project. Every group presented well and then fielded probing questions about their budgets, their proposed expenses and projected profits, their marketing and other aspects of each project. A huge thank you to FOPS for giving so freely their time to these projects.

In English, we are reading short stories from a range of different genres and considering how the techniques used by these published authors can influence our own writing. Woodpecker's writing moderation last year was so successful that Mrs Archer was asked to take Woodpecker writing journals to Shaw House in Newbury and speak about how Literacy is taught at Purley

Primary School. It was a moment of great pride as teachers from across West Berkshire perused our students' writing.

Maths has involved multiplying fractions and decimals. Online homework via Abacus activelearn has been uploaded for all groups.

*Mrs Archer*



### Hedgehog Class

**Star of the week:** Amelia-Mae for being very helpful

**Friendship Star:** Daniel for playing with lots of different children

**Paragon:** Theodore

### Badger Class

**Star of the week:** Julia for using great mathematical vocabulary when ordering her numbers

**Friendship Star:** Casey for being such a helpful friend to everyone

**Paragon:** Jaiden

### Owl Class

**Stars of the week:** Amy for persevering in maths when things get challenging.

**Friendship Star:** Reid for always being caring and considerate to everyone in school.

**Paragon:** Alice

### Woodpecker Class

**Star of the week:** Leo for outstanding work throughout the week.

**Friendship Star:** Ryan for kindness to other children in the school.

**Paragon:** Emily

**Delightful diners:** Olly, Louis, Oscar, Macie, Sienna F, Iqra, Ruby, Teagan

## DIARY DATES

07/02/18	Parents Evening, 3.30-6.00pm
08/02/18	Parents Evening, 6.00-8.00pm
09/02/18	FOPS Valentine's Cake Sale (3.00pm)
08/02/18	<b>NEW DATE</b> Owl Class Roman Day
09/02/18	End of Spring Term 1, <b>3.00pm</b>
<b>12/02/18 - 16/02/18</b>	<b>Half Term</b>
19/02/18	Year 1 Woodland School starting
21/02/18	Talent show (pupil/staff)

01/03/18	World Book Day
08/03/18	Reading Comprehension Evening
13/03/18	Choir performing at the Anvil
29/03/18	End of Spring Term 2, <b>1.15pm</b>
<b>30/03/18 - 16/04/18</b>	<b>Easter Break</b>
25/04/18	Purley at the Palladium (Denefield)
25/05/18	End of Summer Term 1, <b>3.00pm</b>
<b>28/05/18 - 01/06/18</b>	<b>Half Term</b>
15/06/18	Sports Day
22/06/18	Sports Day (Reserve)
20/07/18	End of Academic Year, <b>1.15pm</b>
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](mailto:headteacher@purley.w-berks.sch.uk)

**Karen Fakes (Headteacher),**

**Learn to Love, Love to Learn**

## Reminders

**Talent Show:** deadline to submit forms via Parentmail is 8<sup>th</sup> February

**Owl Class Silchester visit (3<sup>rd</sup> February):** Please see 'form' section in Parentmail to confirm attendance

**Is your child 4 before  
Sept 2019?  
Would your child like a  
place in our FS1 class?**



**PURLEY PRIMARY  
SCHOOL  
EARLY YEARS  
FOUNDATION  
UNIT**

**Application closing date**

**1st March 2018 (For September 18 start)**

We are offering 6 funded places for 5 mornings a week, term time  
(9 am to 12.00 noon)

**More details available from the school**

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