

# Purley CE Primary School

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## Friday Bulletin

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“Children should be taught at school! It’s a teacher’s job!” How many times have I heard this? The benefits of parental support are massive and can only enhance children’s learning and accelerate progress. It gives the parent a better understanding of their children, making them more aware of the children’s emotional as well as intellectual needs and promotes children’s enthusiasm for learning. The school subscribes to three online resources that may be accessed from home. Alongside the set “Abacus” maths homework, there is “Purple Mash” and “Espresso”. These programmes make learning fun and there is a great spread across many subjects. For more details on how to access these resources please see flyer sent out via Parentmail. Children access these at school. Have a look at what they can do.

### COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

#### *Once Upon A Time*

Growing up, isn't that how every story started? The opening scene was always the most important to capture our attention, or we would stare at the ceiling waiting for sleep or toss the book aside and reach for the remote.

Even those of us who aren't keen on reading, have a favourite story. And we all have a reason for loving that story. We explored some of these together as we opened the Book on Monday. So it comes as no surprise that Jesus decided to use stories to capture the attention of those about and convey an important message. We decided that each story had a different message and we shared our thoughts on what Jesus meant in his story of the wise and foolish builders.

What do you think it is about? Do you think it is about advice, guidance, who to follow? The children had some wonderful insight on this, why not give them an opportunity to share it.

*Pam Slingsby, Foundation Governor*

### MATHS INFORMATION EVENING

As advertised last term, we are holding a Maths Information evening on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January starting at 7.00pm until 7.45. A form was sent

out yesterday via parentmail to confirm your attendance.

### PURLEY TALENT SHOW



Entry forms for Purley Talent Show will be sent out via Parentmail early next week. Please check the 'Form'

section. Deadline to return the form is Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February.

### PARENTS EVENINGS

On Tuesday next week, you will receive a notification via Parentmail inviting you to book your parents evening meeting with your child's teacher. Dates are Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February (3.30-6.00) and Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February (6.00-8.00). Please make sure that you allow for 10 minutes prior to your meeting to see your child's tray with all their work.

If you have any queries, please speak to Mrs Ham.

### HEDGEHOG CLASS



This week we have been busy creating repeating patterns using things we find around the classroom, sounds we

can make using our voices and instruments, and even actions using our bodies. In PE, we have been practising controlling a ball by rolling, throwing, bouncing and catching. We are getting better at passing to our partner and watching the ball to catch it safely. At story time, we have been sharing a range of wintery tales and we used these and our observations of the week's weather to inspire us to write sentences about winter.

Next week we will be exploring symmetry of shapes, and we will learn more about the many people who help us. *Mrs Burton*

## BADGER CLASS



Badger class have been looking at instructions this week. We spent some time being instruction detectives and reading a range of instruction texts to identify the necessary features. Following on from that, and continuing with our work from last week, "A Cloudy Lesson," we then had fun writing instruction for making your own clouds. In Art, we have started to create seasonal pictures, taking care to mix the correct colours which are more associated to the different weathers. Next week, we will be adding to these backgrounds using collage. In Science, we are investigating how much rain falls on our playground. In Maths, Y1 have been measuring different lengths using direct comparison and non-standard units and Y2 have been applying their multiplication skills using money (2p, 5p and 10p coins).

*Mrs Lyn-Jones*

## OWL CLASS



The Romans are now definitely starting to rampage through Owl class. We have considered the differences between the Roman soldiers and the Celtic warriors and discussed what made the Romans a stronger army even though they had fewer men. Boudicca has now made an appearance. The children watched a short film about the defeat of the Celts during her reign, followed by an orally told story and ending with a rap! In groups, the children made freeze frames for the different parts of the story to support their own narrative version.

In English, we are still working with the animations Ruckus, developing character profiles, wanted posters and writing a recount of the film.

Next week, we will be looking at the brotherly dispute between Romulus and Remus and making comparison with Ruckus

In Maths, the cubes and been investigating why a 0 is added when multiplying by 10 and why this disappears when we divide by 10. They have also been looking for patterns when counting in strops of 10, 50 and 100. The Spheres have been using the bus stop method for division and looking at Roman numerals.

On **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February**, we will be having a Roman dress up day with a small Roman Banquet in the afternoon. Children may come dressed as Romans or Celts. We will be making some accessories including, jewellery and shield on that day in school. *Mrs Pickering*

## WOODPECKER CLASS



This week, we have started to engage with our enterprising fundraising projects. Children have been tasked with creating a proposal to raise money for FOPS. They will present their proposals next week and bid for a float to resource their projects. They have come up with a wonderful range of fundraising ideas:

- badge making workshops
- selling snacks after school
- Easter baskets
- selling framed photos of parents and children
- glitter tattoos and child-friendly make-up

Each group will submit the funds raised for FOPs by Easter and there will be awards for demonstrating good business skills and entrepreneurial thinking.

In English, we have continued our chronological reports about Ole Christiansen, founder of the Lego Corporation. These reports are excellent and the children have worked really hard on them.

Maths work has consolidated understanding of decimals: finding a number between two different decimal numbers such as 0.4 and 0.046, using our knowledge of dividing by 1000 to convert meters to kilometers and learning to convert fractions to decimals.

In computing, we have used Adobe Spark Post to create a new year's post for our American partners and we have learnt how to create a

tutorial using screen recording so our partners can also learn how to use Adobe Spark Post.

Mrs Archer

## DIARY DATES

### STARS OF THE WEEK



#### Hedgehog Class

**Star of the week:** Daniel for trying hard in maths

**Friendship Star:** Annabelle for being considerate to everyone

**Paragon:** Lilly-May

#### Badger Class

**Star of the week:** Belle for concentrating hard when writing her instructions

**Friendship Star:** Layla for always giving others a friendly smile

**Paragon:** Davontay

#### Owl Class

**Stars of the week:** Oly for his outstanding knowledge, on The Romans, and developing his learning further through independent research.

**Friendship Star:** Firhan for guiding and supporting his learning partner in maths.

**Paragon:** Jaihden

#### Woodpecker Class

**Star of the week:** James for working really hard with his writing

**Friendship Star:** Natalya for always being kind and thoughtful

**Paragon:** Elyssa

**Delightful diners:** Ella, Oscar, Theo, Lewis, Elyssa, Anya, Elizabeth and Evie.

24/01/18	Maths Information Evening, 7.00-7.45
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
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

## Reminders

**All:** Look out for Parentmail message on Tuesday about Parents Evenings.

### Year 1 to Year 6

Maths Information Evening (24<sup>th</sup> January). Please see 'form' section in Parentmail to sign up

**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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