



Purley Church of England (VC) Primary School

"Let all that you do be done in love" 1 Corinthians 16:14

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Dear Parents,

The Year 6s were super excited to return to school this week and to top it all, their leaver's hoodies have arrived. Seeing their unsure faces enter the school ground to be replaced by beaming smiles within a few minutes has brought us great joy. Children in Hedgehog class are counting the sleeps before they can come to school again!



Next week, a member of staff from Denefield School will come and meet our Year 6s as part of their transition.

Plans have now been made for the remaining four weeks of term. There will not be any more opportunities for anyone else to return to school before the summer holidays as all the "bubbles" have been organised. Just to clarify, years 2, 3, 4, and 5 have been offered two days at school not two days every week. We have 86% of the school being at school at some point and we can only offer two days to ensure social distancing.



Please remember our one way drop off and collection system. Entry is through the back gate in Lister Close and exit through the front of the school. With the football controversy this week I will follow the theme, I do not wish to issue red cards nor use VAR!

Please also remember to only put water in your child's water bottle. Squash must be kept for lunchtimes only.



This week, I attended a meeting with Public Health England. It was reassuring that procedures that we have put in place at Purley are well within the guidelines. One interesting answer was to the question "what is counted as contact?" This is defined as being in contact with someone for over 15 mins within a 2 metre distance.

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You may have heard on the news that data is being gathered regarding children accessing learning online. I'm very pleased with the percentage of children that have engaged and extremely proud of the children who have managed to keep up with everything... even doing a little extra. The government data is based on children who do not access school work for at least one hour every day.

Are your children interested in minibeasts? I was sent a competition this week from AWE to build a Bug Hotel. Further details are attached. You only have the weekend though, as it closes on June 22nd!

WE WANT YOU

We have a parent governor vacancy at the school. Would you like the chance to put forward your views as a parent? Would you like to volunteer to support the school in a different way? If so, please put your name forward. If you would like to speak to one of our current governors, that can be arranged. We need a variety of people on the Governing Body. Look out for the parent mail. We need you.

I was not a big fan of Winnie the Pooh as a child but looking through quotes from AA Milne's book these days, I see that they are so full of wisdom. I wish I had appreciated them more when I was younger. I think I'll download them to my Kindle this summer holiday, if we have one!

Karen Fakes



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