



## **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,

So many events have had to be canceled this term but Mrs Pickering is not letting something like a pandemic stop her from organising Sports Week. It won't be as she first planned it, but watch this space!

We have many concerns regarding our children's education during this challenging time and how to set a recovery curriculum. We need to continue to develop those children who have worked so hard during this period as well as supporting those who will have forgotten so much. One concern, is children's stamina to manually write. Some will have done lots of colouring maybe even writing, which will strengthen those hand muscles but other may have not picked up a pencil at all!





Do you remember doing patterns with a compass when you were at school? This could be an interesting way of getting your children to use those fingers. It can be as complicated or as easy as you want.





Last week, I mentioned our parent governor vacancy role. We have a fantastic board of governors at Purley School. They have been extremely valuable, especially during our lockdown period. It is important that we have parent voices on the board as you see things from different angles. We meet once a month. Click on the link to see the difference you can make.

https://www.governorsforschools.org.uk/volunteers/about-the-role/.

**Message from Berkshire Maestros**: You and everyone in your family is invited to join us for the first ever Berkshire Maestros online Big Sing Day! At Berkshire Maestros, we believe that everyone has a voice so gather as many people as you can to join in with this FREE event to discover the amazing feel good power of group singing.





Our virtual doors will be open on Saturday 27 June to anyone who enjoys singing, including adults, whether you are a regular singer or just enjoy belting out a tune in the shower. We will be singing some fun music that won't be too challenging – and as we are meeting on Zoom nobody even needs to hear you.

This event is also a chance for our music centre and county choirs to come together online to sing, however you don't need to be a member already – it's a great opportunity to just enjoy some singing or to get a taste of what singing with a Berkshire Maestros choir is like.

Join our Big Sing Day open sessions:

- Juniors (primary school aged children) 10.30am-11.15am
- Seniors (secondary school aged students) 11.30am-12.15pm
- Adults 12.30pm-1.15pm

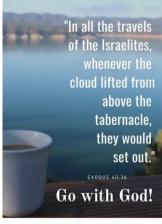
This is a free event to everyone. Sessions will take place via Zoom. Register online for a place on a session and details of how to join will be sent to you. To register, click **here**.

There is a government publication on playing safely outside <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/staying-safe-outside-your-home/staying-safe-outside-your-home">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/staying-safe-outside-your-home/staying-safe-outside-your-home</a>

- Keep your distance from people outside your household
- Avoid being face-to-face with people if they are outside your household or support bubble
- Keep your hands and face as clean as possible
- Avoid crowded spaces
- Avoid shouting or singing close to people outside your household or support bubble
- Have your clothes washed regularly

The last few months have been guite a journey and we haven't reached our destination yet.

Karen Fakes



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