



Purley CE Primary School
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Friday Bulletin

Learn to love, love to learn

27th September 2019



Wisdom. One of our school values. This applies to the whole school community. Children, staff and parents. Please be wise and follow the instructions on the sign. There is **NO PARKING** on the single yellow lines 8:30-9:30 and 2:30 - 4:00 on school days.

Please be considerate to your fellow parent who:

- may trust their child to walk to school on their own for the first time
- the parent who has three children including a buggy, to get to school safely
- walk to school, encouraging healthy exercise
- do not drive to school to protect our fragile environment.

The parking restriction is there for a reason. Thank you to all who walk to school or park further away supporting our community, showing love to their fellow man.

FOPS

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SOCIAL NIGHT AND AGM

We'd love you to come and have a drink or two on us, meet other parents and find out more about what we do, how we spend the money and help make your school even better.

Everyone is welcome

Thursday 3rd October, 7:30pm

Purley Sports and Social Club, Goosecroft Lane.

Without the help and support of parents, grandparents, carers and local volunteers, we cannot continue to raise the much needed funds to enrich the education of our children at Purley School.

With parents stepping down from the FOPS (Friends of Purley School) Committee, we are

looking for new Committee members. At our AGM on Thursday 3rd October we will be, amongst other things, electing the Committee for the forthcoming academic year. If you are interested in joining the FOPS Committee or are able to give some time to be on an event subcommittee (for example, the School Fete Subcommittee) or just want to know a little bit more about it, please come along.

THAMESIDE FIREWORKS HELPERS

The Thameside Fireworks Fiesta will be going off with a bang again this year, on Sunday 3rd November! It promises to be another fantastic not-to-be-missed event for all the family and once again proceeds are in aid of the school.

Tickets are on sale NOW! They are available from the school office, the shop on Colyton Way, Barn Owls day nursery and of course online:

Please have a look at the fantastic new website that Emma has kindly created:

www.thamesidefireworkfiesta.co.uk

Buy in advance for big discounts!

TERACYCLE CRISP PACKET RECYCLING SCHEME

Please remember to bring in your empty crisps packets from your homes, work places, social clubs anywhere. Every kg raised money for the school and teaches our children about recycling.

Waste that is NOT accepted:

- Popcorn bags
- Crisp tubes
- Pretzel bags
- Meat snack bags
- Bags from crackers such as Cheddars

Waste that is accepted: Any brand of crisp packet

Collection boxes are in school by the back playground doors.

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

We are continuing with the Be- attitudes and the Me- attitudes .

This week the Beatitude is from Matthew Chapter 5 verse 4 " Happy are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted"

We also meet the ancient Persian King Xerxes again, and a new character Queen Esther. Esther is a Jewess. The Jews in Persia are enslaved and mourning in Persia. The Prime Minister, Haman, has decided to kill all the Jews because Esther's uncle has refused to worship Haman. If Esther goes to the King to ask for the freedom of the slaves, he might welcome her or he might not. The children might know if the mourning slaves comforted? *Mrs Stables, Foundation Governor*

YEAR 1 WOODLAND SCHOOL



We had a sunny and warm session in the woods on Monday. The ground and logs were a bit damp and this helped us in our bug hunting.

Casey was busy finding different worms and knew that "some live in the mud and some live in the wood". Cora worked with Poppy to make their own worksheet of minibeasts that they found including ant, spider, woodlouse and beetle. Poppy created a catchy digging song as she worked. Diyor, Harry Cl, Samuel and Jacob

worked in a group digging for treasure. They found something that looked like a pipe but with more digging they found out that it was a brick. Zara and Esme used a tool to look for insects and found a flying bug. Casey and Margaux found a centipede in the fallen logs. Samuel made some excellent tracks to follow, using his foot to clear leaves. Many of the children made games following his paths. Phoebe Tig and Phoebe Tov spent time looking up into the trees taking photos and then went to take pictures of all their classmates. Harry V and Rafa spent time creating a den under the yew tree and enjoyed sitting in it and creating games.
Mrs Hodsdon



ALTERNATIVE PHONE NUMBER

The school now has two lines. If 0118 984 2384 is busy, please use 0118 984 1315.

PARENTS EVENING

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 23th October (6.00-8.00) and Thursday 24th October (3.30-6.00). Please make sure that you allow for 10 minutes prior to your meeting to see your child's tray with all their work. Below is a link with further advice about how to make the bookings.

<http://parentmail.co.uk/help/parenthelp/applications/parents-evening-manager/>

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

HARVEST FESTIVAL



As mentioned in the diary dates, our Harvest Festival will take place on Thursday 24th October at 9.30 at St Mary's Church. The children will need to come in to school as per usual and will walk to the church accompanied by members of staff. Parents are invited to come along and attend this service.

The children will be in the main part of the church with parents at the side.

We will once again collect food on behalf of Reading Food Bank. This was the charity voted by the children. They provide food parcels for those in need. There will be a collection box in the playground w/c 21st October.

ISS CHANGE OF MENU

ISS have informed us that the menu for **Thursday 3rd October** will be changed to:

- Chicken nuggets
- Quorn nuggets
- Jacket potato and cheese
- Chips and vegetables
- Chocolate sponge with chocolate sauce
- Fruit
- Yoghurt

NASAL FLU IMMUNISATION Foundation, Year 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6

Don't forget to return the forms to the office as soon as possible. Thank you.

HEDGEHOG CLASS



This week the children have enjoyed further exploring patterns by using their bodies to create a pattern of actions, and by using instruments to create a repeating pattern of sounds. They have been finding out about hedgehogs and thinking about how to care for them and other animals in autumn. Thank you to everyone who sent baby photos in – we had great fun trying to guess who was who!

Next week we will be thinking about healthy eating. *Mrs Burton*

BADGER CLASS



Badger class have been looking at using noun phrases in their writing. They wrote character descriptions of Pirate Plank and described his pirate ship using the best adjectives they could think of. Having listened to the story of Captain Plank's Pirate adventure, they made story maps and retold the story thinking carefully of using story language and sequencing events.

In Geography, we have been discussing the 7 continents of the world and naming the seas and oceans. In Science we have been investigating how animals survive in the Atlantic Ocean and how they adapt to their natural habitats.

In Maths, the children have been looking at number bonds to all numbers up to 10. Y2 have been investigating these number bonds using a systematic method and ordering numbers to 100. Maths homework has now been set again for all the children on active learning. They have been shown how to access the work and their usernames and passwords are on the back of their reading record books. The class are very excited to get started again with this so please help them to set it up at home.

We have started to sew some pirate loot bags on a Friday afternoon. If anyone is free to help out with this sewing project please come in to speak to Mrs Lyn-Jones. Thank you. *Mrs Lyn-Jones*

OWL CLASS



Owlets are starting to mature into fully fledged Owls as we rapidly progress through the first term of the year. I think some are beginning to tire and we are certainly discovering some true 'feather' colours 😊

In English, we are have been supporting Plop and his fear of the dark. The children have all written him letters to help him overcome his fear and draw on his courage to go hunting in the dark with his dad. The children are now preparing to be authors and write a sequel story about another animal that has a strange fear, ideas so far include: the penguin who was afraid of ice/fish; the tiger who was scared of his stripes and the cat who was afraid of mice. I can't wait to read them.

In Maths, both Year 3 and 4 are investigating place value and developing their understanding of how numbers are made.

Dr Researcher has helped us continue to find out more about owls and this week our focus has been on their diet, including food chains and how owls have adapted to their environment. Finally, some good news, the owl visit has been rearranged for 9th October. Please watch out for more details via parent mail. *Mrs Pickering*

WOODPECKER CLASS



In the days that have passed that formed the week that has just been, O Best Beloved, Woodpecker Class children, whose imaginations shine like stars, have been working well and wisely, writing their own Just So Stories, in the style of Rudyard Kipling!

In Maths, the Year 6 children have been practising finding missing numbers in equations, representing them using letters and starting to solve algebraic equations with both one and two unknowns. The Year 5 children have been using counting up strategies to solve subtractions and applying this to word problems.

We have moved on from classification of animals in Science to look at the different ways in which plants can be classified, such as by the type of stem, what their leaves are like, how they reproduce and how they transport water. We have also been looking at the effects of extreme weather, such as tornadoes and the devastation that can be caused by earthquakes around the World.

The other piece of excitement in Woodpecker Class this week was the grand opening of our Reading Cafe. To be held every Wednesday lunchtime, this will provide a place where the children can go to eat their packed lunch while they enjoy a favourite book, or browse a comic or magazine. Each week, there will be an opportunity to listen to a story as well and we have started off with *The Hobbit*. All Woodpecker children are welcome and we are really looking forward to being able to promote a love of reading for pleasure.

What have your teachers learned this week? Abraham's favourite food is pizza, Alfie supports Liverpool FC and Alice would consider being a vegetarian if she didn't enjoy her breaded chicken with mash so much.

Mrs Jones and Mrs Archer

STARS OF THE WEEK



Hedgehog Class

Star of the week: Scarlett for always remembering to write her name on her artwork independently

Friendship Star: Izaak for saying to another child "Do you want to play with me?"

Paragon: Ella

Badger Class

Star of the week: Lewis for always trying his best and showing great resilience

Friendship Star: Margaux for being so helpful

Paragon: Diyor

Woodland Star: Rafa for showing love and kindness when he suggested that if it rained we could all share the den.

Owl Class

Stars of the week: Casey for extending her learning of owls at home with the support of Dr Researcher

Friendship Star: Harry H for showing love and wisdom to guide others about keeping the playground equipment tidy

Paragon: Charlie

Woodpecker Class

Star of the week: Olly for his amazing effort to extend his learning at home.

Friendship Star: Louis for extreme kindness to a younger child

Paragon: Abraham

Delightful diners: Phoebe Tig, Phoebe Tov, Ciara A, Macie, Alfie C, Toby, Hiba, Jessica HL

Reminders

FOPS AGM: 3rd October, 7.30 pm, Purley Purley Sports and Social Club, Goosecroft Lane

FS2 to Year 6: return Nasal Flu Consent Form as soon as possible

All: FOPS questionnaire sent via Parentmail

All: Change of menu on 3rd October

Please do check Parentmail regularly. If you have any problems with access, please speak to Mrs Ham.

DIARY DATES

03/10/19	FOPS AGM, Purley Social Club, 7.30
10/10/19	Eye test for Foundation Children
16/10/19	Flu immunisation programme
17/10/19	Foundation Stage 2 children school trip – Ella's Kitchen
23/10/19	Parents Evening: 6.00-8.00
24/10/19	Parents Evening: 3.30-6.00
24/10/19	Harvest Festival at St Mary's Church, 9.30 – parents invited
24/10/19	End of Autumn Term 1
25/10/19 01/11/19	HALF TERM
03/11/19	Firework Fiesta
04/11/19	Start of Autumn Term 2
07/11/19	Individual School Photos
26/11/19	KS1/KS2 Theatre Visit, Watermill pm
12/12/19	KS1 Nativity, 9.45
13/12/19	KS1 Nativity, 9.45
17/12/19	ISS Christmas Lunch

19/12/19	FOPS Christmas Party
20/12/19	Carol Service at St Mary's – children only
20/12/19	End of Autumn Term 2, 1.15 pm
21/12/19 03/01/20	CHRISTMAS BREAK
06/01/20	Start of Spring Term 1
14/02/20	End of Spring Term 1
17/02/20 21/02/20	HALF TERM
24/02/20	Start of Spring Term 2
03/04/20	End of Spring Term 2, 1.15 pm
06/04/20 20/04/20	EASTER BREAK
21/04/20	Start of Summer 1
22/05/20	End of Summer 1
26/05/20 29/05/20	HALF TERM
01/06/20	Start of Summer 2
17/07/20	End of Academic Year, 1.15 pm

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),
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Community Page

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TILEHURST
Sunday 13th October
10am- 11am
Denefield School (Sports Hall)
Long Lane, RG31 6XY

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17th October 2019 - Understanding and supporting your young person with Anxiety

6th Feb 20 – Understanding and Supporting Self-Regulation Skills in Young People

30th April 20 – Understanding Behaviour and how best to support our young people with a Therapeutic approach.

11th June 20 – Sensory Processing Difficulties – What does it mean and how can we help.

Time: 9.45am to 12noon **Venue:** Mencap Centre, Enbourn Rd, Newbury

All workshops are run by Melissa Hutchings – Autism Advisor for Families

Please contact Admin to book a place on: 01635 503646
Or email Learning Support Team
LearningSupportTeam@westberks.gov.uk

Village Concerts

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Acoustic Singer Songwriter



Kitty Macfarlane

Saturday 2nd November 2019
7pm Doors & Bar, 8pm Music
St Marys Church Hall,
Purley on Thames RG8 8BJ

Kitty Macfarlane's music is rich with visual imagery and written with an eco-eye. Her songs are bound by the underlying theme of mankind's relationship with the wild. Cerebral, honest and topical, her beautiful songs are thought-provoking and evocative compositions with wonderfully crafted soundscapes.

With her debut album Namer of Clouds being one of The Guardian's Best Folk Albums of 2018, and having seen airplay across BBC Radio 2, 3, 4 and 6 Music, Kitty Macfarlane's performance is not to be missed!

Tickets: Earlybird Adult £10, Youth £8; Full-price Adult £12, Youth £10

St. Mary's Purley invite you to our

FAMILY FUN DAY

SATURDAY 28 SEPTEMBER

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, 10AM-4PM

A fun packed day for all the family including

- ★ Bungee Run
- ★ Inflatable Castle
- ★ Candy Floss Machine
- ★ Face Painting
- ★ Limbo Pole
- ★ Photo Booth
- ★ Giant Jenga
- ★ Burger Van
- ★ Ice Cream

NO ENTRANCE CHARGE
1 voucher per child for free ice cream*



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