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Friday Bulletin

Learn to love, love to learn

24th January 2020



Are you aware of the "Place2Be" charity? It is a charity that we have benefited from in the past and is currently on our list of charities we would like to support. The charity supports the mental wellbeing of children and we are very proud that the Chief Executive is one of our parents. As our fundraising for the charity isn't imminent, I would be very grateful if we could support the charity by completing a survey for them. The survey is led by Royal Foundation and HRH Duchess of Cambridge. It is really quick and easy to respond. To access, please click on the following link:
<https://5bigquestions.org.uk/>

FOPS

Find us on Facebook
Purley Church of England Primary School
(@PurleyPrimarySchool)
Email: askfops@gmail.com

Quiz night – Fri 28th February 7 -10pm

Join us for a fun night of quiz questions and Fish and Chips! Tickets are now on sale and you should have received a form in the book bags to buy tickets! So pop the date in your diary and get yourself a team together!

Pamper & Prosecco Party - Wed 25th March 7-11pm

Plans are well underway for the Pamper & Prosecco Party with relaxation sessions, therapists, beauty stalls & raffle prizes already lined up! Make sure you get the date in your diary as it'll be a great night - tickets will be on sale soon!

Present Amnesty

If you have any unwanted presents that you have received for birthdays or Christmas and you don't know what to do with them, why not donate them to FOPS for raffle prizes? We are always looking at donations such as unopened smellies, candles or drink etc to raise money at our events for the school. If you would like to donate, please either let us know via email askfops@gmail.com or give them to one of the committee at school.

Class Representatives

We now have a full set of Class Reps! Thanks to the following for taking on the role, Hedgehog/Preschool Karen Holland, Year 1 Sarah Manning, Year 2 Danyelle Tovey, Year 3 Charlotte Allum, Year 4 Sarah Sinclair, Year 5 Emma Clarke and Year 6 Charlotte Maskell.

Party Crockery Hire

We had our very 1st party hire this weekend! Zara and Caleb held their birthday party at the Avenue school and used the Party Crockery Box to serve the food and drinks! What a success it was, many people commented on what a great idea it was! Natalie said "It was so convenient - everything you need is in the box and you can just pack it away at the end of the party and you are done. Much easier than remembering to buy everything and you get to do your bit for the environment at the same time." No waste and no washing up, just party fun!

If you would like to hire the box, please contact Catherine Series or email askfops@gmail.com



COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

In Collective Worship this week, we looked at the Parable of the Sower from Matthew's Gospel. In the parable, Jesus talks about the effect of sowing seed in different types of soil. The seed only grew well in the rich and fertile ground.

As we learn and grow as human beings, we need to let the seeds of learning grow in the fertile soil of our minds. We can't simply let the things we study and learn be forgotten or rejected. We need to give them the consideration they deserve so that the learning will be useful for our whole lives.

Rev Bailey

PARENTS EVENINGS

Thank you for booking the appointments so promptly.

Parents Evenings will take place on Wednesday 5th February (3.30 pm to 6.00 pm) and Thursday 6th February (6.00 pm to 8.00pm). Please make sure that you allow for 10 minutes prior to your meeting to see your child's tray with all their work.

SCHOOL WEBSITE

Have you ever wondered which club is on what day? How to order school uniform? What the lunch menu is for a particular day? What our school policies are? How to book Breakfast or Nutkin Club?

All this and much more can found on our school website that we re-launched in the Autumn.

On the front page on the website, you have a link to the school calendar, the parents section has all the day to day information.

www.purleyprimaryschool.co.uk

Please let Mrs Ham know if you think anything else would be useful to have on the school website.

SOCIAL MEDIA

We have become aware that some parents are using social media because they are concerned about a school issue. At Purley Primary, we have policies in place to help us to ask questions and

seek answers recognising that these may not always be available, by asking the class or Headteacher. These key staff are only too willing to support you and alleviate any concerns you may have. The Head and Governing Board have policies in place for escalating a concern or raising a complaint when we feel we are not being heard (<https://www.purleyprimaryschool.co.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=97&type=pdf>); we also have a policy regarding e-safety (<https://www.purleyprimaryschool.co.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=101&type=pdf>) which not only explores how the children are protected in their media use, it also states how we as stakeholders should reference the pupils, staff and school kindly in any social media engagement. Please email Pam Slingsby, Chair of Governors with your concern who can positively assist you. chair@purley.w-berks.sch.uk

AWARD



We are going for an award for all that we achieved during Aspirations week. I am currently gathering evidence to submit to West Berkshire Learning well. It would support our application if we had some feedback from parents. Did the week prompt any discussions at home? It certainly has at school, e.g. "I had never thought of becoming an architect, I'm good at maths and drawing so maybe....." "I want to join the police force, I didn't know that you can join the police cadets in Reading." "I didn't realise how expensive food shopping is and you need to earn a lot of money". Comments like this are extremely valuable to our bid.

HEDGEHOG CLASS



This week we have been thinking about why each dinosaur lived in a particular habitat: Wilf thought the T-Rex might have lived in the jungle as there would have been lots of other dinosaurs to hunt and eat, whereas Lucy suggested the Apatosaurus lived in the woods as his long neck meant he could eat leaves at the top of the trees. We listened to dinosaur music and we stomped and moved like hunting dinosaurs to inspire our writing. In Maths, we used Numicon shapes to help us find odd and even numbers, and we practised counting in twos.

Next week, we will be finding out about the Chinese New Year, and symmetry. Our focus children will be Zara and Scarlett. *Mrs Burton*

BADGER CLASS



Badger class have been looking at the features for writing instructions this week. Following on from watching the animation "A cloudy lesson", the children then had a go at writing interesting instructions for blowing a cloud.

In Maths, Y1 have continued to work with money and pay for items using 1p and 2p coins. Any practise counting up small change would be really helpful. Y2 have been adding and subtracting 10's numbers from 2 digit numbers. They have used this skill to solve missing number sentences.

In Science, the class have been investigating how wind is made and how we know it is there. They made wind socks to measure the direction of the wind and have used them to consider where is the windiest place in the school grounds.

Mrs Lyn-Jones

OWL CLASS



A ruckus of Romans has invaded Owl Class this week. The children have continued to explore the short animation 'Ruckus' in English and have been considering character descriptions. To support this, they enjoyed acting out sections of the story with a partner and then holding for a freeze frame photo. Subsequently, the photo was used as a stimulus to promote their thinking of what their character may have been thinking, feeling and what was motivating them. In the latter part of the week they created WANTED posters for their character using their descriptions and motives to identify them.

In Maths, we are still working on fractions for the Cubes and the Spheres are coming to grips with decimals.

Boudicca and her defeat by The Romans hit us on Wednesday. The difference in the Celts and Romans formation, armour and weapons were of particular interest as was the fact that Boudicca poisons herself. The Roman and Celt battle was re-enacted during our PE lesson on Thursday and I can confirm that the Romans were the winners!

The children have also enjoyed an introduction to coding, cracking some simple ciphers, starting to programme beebot and creating directional codes for others to follow. Next week we will be creating codes to send a Roman soldier around Rome and across Europe to defeat Boudicca.

Next week, we are also looking forward to learning more about Boudicca and re-enacting the story that the children will then use to make into short video using iPads.

Keep up with the reading, spelling and times tables. You will also see that I have set another project homework for the children. This does not need to be in until after half term. *Mrs Pickering*

WOODPECKER CLASS



The children in Woodpecker Class have worked really hard on their LEGO reports this week, drafting opening and closing paragraphs and planning the rest of the content. They have started writing and I am looking forward to reading the finished reports.

In Maths, the Y6 children have been focusing on understanding and ordering decimal numbers with three decimal places.

In Music, we have appraised a different style of song about being Happy: On Top of the World, by the Carpenters. Some liked it, while others found its laid back style a little too dull for their tastes! The children continued to learn about pulse and rhythm, taking part in call and response activities and playing along with glockenspiels as well as singing.

In Science, the children investigated what happens to a wooden spoon and a metal spoon when you put them in hot water. They discovered that the metal spoon is a conductor of heat, while the wooden spoon is an insulator.

In RE we have finished off looking at the story of Moses and how his faith helped him fulfil God's plan to lead his people out of oppression to freedom. The children reflected on how Christians believe that God has a plan for everyone and how that can be a comfort in times of trouble.

Mrs Jones.

STARS OF THE WEEK



Hedgehog Class

Star of the week: Hannah, for choosing to practise writing during Independent Learning

Friendship Star: Caleb, for making new friends in class

Paragon: Zara

Badger Class

Star of the week: Esme for trying hard to use her phonics when writing independently

Friendship Star: Harry C for being helpful in the classroom

Paragon: Zara

Owl Class

Stars of the week: Belle for her outstanding work on fractions.

Friendship Star: Darcy for showing maturity and kindness to all her peers even at challenging times

Paragon: Belle

Woodpecker Class

Star of the week: Lucas for working hard at every subject and always trying his best

Friendship Star: Jacob for supporting others in class

Paragon: Evans

Delightful Diners: Monty, Scarlett, Ella Ba, Lilly-May, Zayneb, Julia, Jacob Ba, Reid

DIARY DATES

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| 29/01/20 | RSE Parents Meeting, 6.30 |
| 05/02/20 | Parents Evening, 3.30-6.00 |
| 06/02/20 | Parents Evening, 6.00-8.00 |
| 07/02/20 | Woodpecker Class out PM – Maths Workshop |
| 08/02/20 | Owl Class visit to Silchester |
| 14/02/20 | End of Spring Term 1 |
| 17/02/20 21/02/20 | HALF TERM |
| 24/02/20 | Start of Spring Term 2 |
| 28/02/20 | FOPS Quiz |
| 13/03/20 | Talent Show |
| 25/03/20 | FOPS Pamper Evening |
| 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 |
| 30/04/20 | Purley at the Palladium |
| 22/05/20 | End of Summer 1 |
| 26/05/20 29/05/20 | HALF TERM |
| 01/06/20 | Start of Summer 2 |
| 07/06/20- 12/06/20 | Year 6 Residential - Sealyham |
| 22/06/20- 23/06/20 | Year 4/5 Camping Trip |
| 17/07/20 | End of Academic Year, 1.15 pm |
| 08/11/20 | Thameside Fireworks |

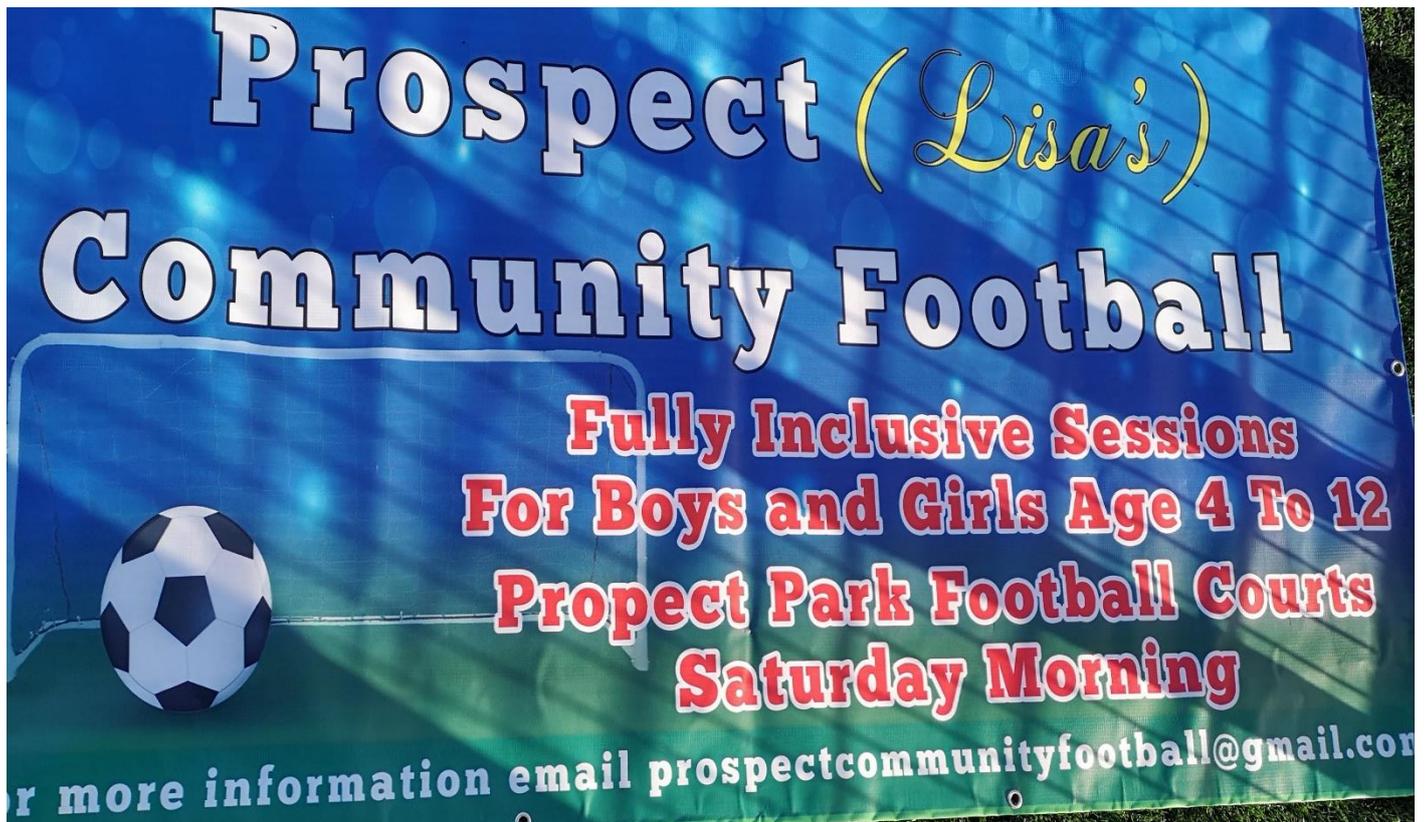
Reminder

- RSE Meeting on Wednesday 29th January at 6.30 pm. Please see Parentmail form for details.
- Deadline to return Quiz form is Friday 14th February

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



Prospect (Lisa's)
Community Football

**Fully Inclusive Sessions
For Boys and Girls Age 4 To 12
Propect Park Football Courts
Saturday Morning**

For more information email prospectcommunityfootball@gmail.com

Village Concerts

www.villageconcerts.eu
info@villageconcerts.eu

St Mary's Purley-on-Thames, West Berkshire

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| <p>Saturday 8th February</p> <p>Sam Kelly & Jamie Francis</p>  <p>Back by popular demand, this fabulous duo will be entertaining us with haunting harmonies, soaring tunes and melodies, charming anecdotes and instrumental performances of the highest calibre, all led by Sam's unmistakable vocals. This is a show not to be missed!</p> <p>"A captivating performer. Sam Kelly has one of the best young male voices in British acoustic roots music. Seriously...Check him out!" - Sean Lakeman</p> | <p>Saturday 14th March</p> <p>Ma Bessie & her Pig Foot Band</p>  <p>Ma Bessie (Julia Titus) will be accompanied by her Pig Foot band on guitar and saxophone to bring us a mix of classic blues and jazz tunes, as well as original songs and hand-picked covers from the last 50 years. Together they will bring style, class and excitement to Purley!</p> <p>"Reading's own Julia Titus (Ma Bessie) has such a rich quality to her voice - it's almost like velvet. She really does revive the great divas of jazz, blues and soul."</p> |
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All Concerts:
Doors and Bar 7pm, Music 8pm

Earlybird £12 Adult, £8 Youth Age 14-17
Full Price £15 Adult, £10 Youth Age 14-17