



# Purley CE Primary School

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## Friday Bulletin

*Learn to love, love to learn*

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Did you see the news report on secondary school children not being able to read an analogue clock? In this digital age, children really struggle with reading a clock with hands on. If children wear watches to school, we would really encourage analogue watches. Watches can do so many things these days, including recording voice and pictures, I'm sure that you will agree that this is not appropriate at school. Should your child bring a watch with this facility into school, they will be asked to remove it and take it to the office in order for us to safeguard everyone. Thank you for your co-operation.

### FOPS

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

### Quiz night – Friday 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 - Wednesday 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!

### Pre-Loved Uniform Shop

If you have any school uniform that has been grown out of, but still has plenty of wear left, we will happily accept donations. Not only does this option save parents' pockets but, it also helps the environment whilst raising funds for the school. Win Win! We are looking for dresses, skirts, trousers and shorts, as well as jumpers and cardigans. If you do have any uniform you would like to donate, please see Sarah Clarke (Darcie's mum in Hedgehog). There is some uniform available currently, please contact Sarah if you

have any requests. The price list is as follows: Jumpers/ Cardigans £3 each, Dresses (summer or winter), trousers or shorts 50p each.

### Cake Sale - 14th February

To celebrate Valentine's Day, we are holding a cake sale at school on the last day of term. If you feel like baking or buying something for the sale, we will welcome all donations!  
More information to come next week.

### COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week in collective worship we looked at the story of Daniel and the lions' den. We thought about the way that God cares for those who try to follow his ways. Daniel trusted God to look after him even though he and the rest of his people were in exile. By keeping to the standards and directions of God, he was kept safe from the lions and became a trusted advisor to King Nebuchadnezzar. *Rev Bailey*

### RSE INFORMATION MEETING

Thank you to all the parents who attended the information evening on Wednesday. Your support was greatly appreciated. Your questions and viewpoints are valued in helping create an updated RSE policy. For parents who were unable to attend and would like to know what was shared please find a link to the powerpoint presentation, curriculum overview and to a FAQs sheet.

<https://www.purleyprimaryschool.co.uk/page/?title=PHSE&pid=56>

We will be adding more content over the next few weeks. If you would like any other information please contact us. *Mrs Hodsdon*

## CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING EVENT

Wow! What a fantastic performance from all our runners on Thursday at Elstree School for the cross country competition. Each and every one of our runners competed wholeheartedly and with much determination.

Last year, 6 teams were entered and we came 4th and 6th. This year there were 17 teams and I am so proud to say that we achieved 2nd and 11th place!

My heart goes out to Olly C who was pipped at the finishing line by a fraction of a second, it was almost a VAR decision, out of gaining first place for his team.

I would also like to congratulate Louis Ho who displayed true Purley values, when he stopped to help a fellow runner from another school who had slipped on a wet bridge. He waited until he knew he was ok before carrying on. A final shout out to Henry who completed a fantastic run; overtaking competitors to secure a very respectful 11th place for his team and all that from the youngest entrant of the competition. Great work Henry!

We are now looking forward to our next race with Downsway School next Thursday. This is open to all members of running club, details will follow.

*Mrs Pickering*



## HEDGEHOG CLASS



Our classroom sparkled with lucky yellow glitter as we decorated our awesome paper dragon puppets for the Chinese New Year. We listened to the story of the Chinese Zodiac and used the animal masks to hold races around the track in the garden. We had great fun creating symmetrical patterns with a range of resources, both inside and outside.

Next week we will be investigating why the Three Little Pigs chose to use straw, sticks or bricks to build their homes as we explore materials. Our focus children will be Jake and Wilf.

*Mrs Burton*

## BADGER CLASS



In Badger class this week we have been continuing our work on writing instructions. We have designed some amazing weather machines and used our plans to help us write instructions to explain how it works. In Maths, Year 1's have been counting on and back from a 2-digit number. Year 2s have been measuring in centimetres and metres. We have continued learning about the weather in science, finding out about the sun.

*Mrs Hodsdon*

## OWL CLASS



Talking, talking and more talking has been the biggest activity in Owl Class this week! However, I am pleased to add that this has been in a productive form: using speech marks/inverted commas to add dialogue to written work and creating video voice overs to

## STARS OF THE WEEK



retell the story of Boudicca, together with freeze frame images, in History. Bee has been on his travels again, this time through Rome, taking in some of the sites; crossing Roman Britain, keeping out of Boudicca's sight and crossing Europe to invade Britain.

In Maths, the Cubes have been consolidating fraction work and practising their 3 and 4 times tables, whilst the Spheres have been revising column addition and rounding of 4 digit numbers.

The children are enjoying our novel study book, *The Secret of Platform 13* by Eva Ibbotson and have made lots of plausible predictions and comparison of characters with those in other texts they have previously read.

Just a reminder that next Saturday, 8th February, it'll be our informal class visit to Silchester and that during the first week after half term we will be having a Roman dress up day. Children may come dressed as Romans or Celts, day to be confirmed, but I thought you may like to start thinking about it! *Mrs Pickering*

### WOODPECKER CLASS



This week, Woodpecker Class have been using the book *Cosmic*, by Frank Cottrell Boyce, to inspire their writing. We read about Liam Digby, age 12, who is so tall he is mistaken

for a grown up at the amusement park and spends a highly enjoyable afternoon riding on 'The Cosmic'. His Dad's afternoon was less pleasant as he and the rest of the school party hunted for Liam and he was definitely not amused when he finally found him! The children imagined themselves in Liam's and Dad's positions and wrote a dialogue between the two, focusing on accurate punctuation of direct speech. The children have also been learning about the difference between the simple, progressive and perfect present and past tenses and when they are used.

In Maths, year 6 have been practising written and mental methods for multiplication of decimals, while year 5 have been looking at place values of 6 digit numbers: ordering, rounding and carrying out place value additions.

In science the children have planned and carried out investigations into which material would best insulate a beaker of hot water, while in RE they have been considering the Ten Commandments, their implications for the Israelites and their relevance today. *Mrs Jones*

### Hedgehog Class

**Star of the week:** Caleb for persevering with colouring and cutting out a Chinese dragon

**Friendship Star:** Namgeet for inviting friends to play with her

**Paragon:** Darcie

### Badger Class

**Star of the week:** Ella being helpful around the classroom and for being an enthusiastic learner

**Friendship Star:** Lewis for being a good role model to others

**Paragon:** Phoebe Tov

### Owl Class

**Star of the week:** Darcy for her outstanding engagement in all learning. Keep it up Darcy!

**Friendship Star:** Ciara for always being there for her peers and making us all smile with her jokes and witty words.

**Paragon:** Layla

### Woodpecker Class

**Star of the week:** Sergio for trying really hard with his joined up writing, with great success.

**Friendship Star:** Brayden for working wonderfully in his friendship group, demonstrating how to use an electronics kit.

**Paragon:** Bailey

**Delightful Diners:** Jake, Caleb, Harry V, Harry C, Molly, Casey A, Amy, Abi

## Reminder

- Parents Evenings next Wednesday and Thursday.
- Deadline to return Quiz form is Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February

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

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](mailto:headteacher@purley.w-berks.sch.uk)

**Karen Fakes (Headteacher),**  
**Learn to Love, love to Learn**

## DIARY DATES

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	FOPS Valentine's Cake Sale
14/02/20	End of Spring Term 1
<b>17/02/20</b> <b>21/02/20</b>	<b>HALF TERM</b>
24/02/20	Start of Spring Term 2
28/02/20	FOPS Quiz
06/03/20	Class Photo
13/03/20	Talent Show
25/03/20	FOPS Pamper Evening
03/04/20	End of Spring Term 2, <b>1.15 pm</b>
<b>06/04/20</b> <b>20/04/20</b>	<b>EASTER BREAK</b>
21/04/20	Start of Summer 1
30/04/20	Purley at the Palladium
22/05/20	End of Summer 1
<b>26/05/20</b> <b>29/05/20</b>	<b>HALF TERM</b>
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
<b>17/07/20</b>	<b>End of Academic Year, 1.15 pm</b>
08/11/20	Thameside Fireworks

# Community Page

West Berkshire LIBRARIES

## Dyslexia, Dyscalculia and Dyspraxia help

Friday 21 February 1.30-4.30pm

Theale Library

Drop in between 1.30pm and 4.30pm to talk to local dyslexia specialist Jacqui Fisher. Find help and advice on:

- dyslexia in the workplace
- how to claim Disabled Student's Allowance
- obtaining a formal assessment for dyslexia
- the 37 characteristics of dyslexia
- the dyslexia thinking and learning style
- what schools should be doing to help

If you are accompanied by children they can read, play or colour in the library while you are talking with Jacqui.

For more information: 0118 930 3207 / thealelibrary@westberks.gov.uk or ask in the library

West Berkshire COUNCIL

## Message from Thames Valley Police

### Please register your bikes

Thames Valley Police no longer accept bikes that have been found by a member of the public or take reports of lost bikes. If a person has had their bike stolen this needs to be reported online to TVP or by calling 101. A lost or stolen bike needs to be reported with all details and serial numbers online to [www.bikeregister.com](http://www.bikeregister.com). It is important for all bike owners to register their bikes on this website, as besides helping to get your bike back if stolen and found abandoned, it also helps with finding out your identity if you are involved in an accident on your bike.

TVP have access to search this site so they can check if a stolen bike has been found providing the owner knows the serial number. The finder of a bike can go to this website to check if the bike has been reported stolen and if it has, it needs to be reported to the Police. If the found bike has not been recorded on [www.bikeregister.com](http://www.bikeregister.com) as lost or stolen, the finder needs to make reasonable attempts to locate the true owner via social media pages such as Lost and Found in our area. Best practice for finders of bikes would be to hold on to them for a period of 4 weeks to give the owner chance to come forward but after this period the finder can decide how to dispose of the bike and would suggest giving to the Community Furniture Project.