



## Purley CE Primary School

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Mrs K Fakes



# Friday Newsletter

Learn to love, love to learn

29th April 2022

### Headteacher's Update

I hope you have all had a restful Easter and a wonderful holiday. The sunshine has returned and we are all looking forward to our summer term.

As the weather is getting warmer, the children may wish to wear summer uniform. Don't forget the socks are part of the uniform! The link to the school uniform page on our website can be found here:

<https://www.purleyprimaryschool.co.uk/page/?title=Uniform+Information&pid=34>

I am sure that the lost property bin will fill quickly as children divest themselves. Please ensure all uniform has the child's name on it. If it is named, we always try to return it to its owner. The lost property bin is a black plastic bin kept outside Owl class.

Mrs Fakes



### Message from the Governors

#### Headteacher Update

We are really pleased to share that after a stringent recruitment process, we have appointed Mrs Amy Holland as our new Headteacher from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022. Earlier this week I asked Mrs Holland if there was anything she would like to share in this announcement:

*'I am passionate about learning; I'm always asking questions and am inspired by child-led enquiry, which is why I was so drawn to Purley CofE Primary's Learn to love, love to learn ethos. I have been teaching for 15 years and will be joining from a small village Church school that, like Purley, is at the heart of the community. Community is important to me as well; I grew up locally and attended Denefield. I look forward to getting to know every learner when I join you all in September.'*

In all of the excitement for the future, it is important to remember Mrs Fakes as she moves onto her new way of life and to say thank you for her leadership. As a keen learner, as the term progresses, Mrs Holland will be liaising with Mrs Fakes and she is hoping to spend some time at school so she can hit the ground running come September.

Thank you for all your support and patience throughout this process.

Mrs Pam Slingsby, Chair of Governors

## Collective Worship

This term's worship focusses on truthfulness. On Monday, we considered some dilemmas.



Should you hand in money you find? Should you compete in a competition you are too old for? On Thursday, Rev Aidan Jones led worship based on the story of the twin brothers, Jacob and Esau. Jacob tricked their father in order to receive Esau's birthright/blessing. Dear God, we thank you for the peace we feel when we are truthful.

*Mrs Fakes*

## Hedgehog class

The story of The Boy and the Rainbow inspired us to explore mixing powder paints to create our own rainbow pictures. Layne noticed that adding black to any colour made it much darker.



We used ten frames and glass beads to record our votes for the end of day story - Elmer and the Lost Teddy won by 10:4.

We have been fascinated with how changeable the spring weather is in April and we have been carrying out a weather watch, recording our findings on a daily chart. Darcie-Clare noticed that only two days had the same weather, and they had a mix of sun, cloud and wind. We already knew symbols to use to represent sun and clouds, and Sadie suggested lots of straight lines to represent the wind.

In maths we have been playing games to be the first to 20. We have been using Numicon to record how many children are in class each day, understanding that 19 is one full ten plus nine more.

*Mrs Burton*

## Badger class



It has been lovely welcoming Badger class back into school this week and they have thrown themselves into the new topic "Please Miss!" We have enjoyed being history detectives, researching Victorian schools and looking for clues that tell us which parts of Purley School are in fact Victorian. Their history learning really came to life on Wednesday when we set up the class as a Victorian classroom and had a Victorian Morning. The children entered into the role play brilliantly and learnt so much! Some said they would like to have a Victorian Morning every day! In maths Y1 have been exploring length and height and Y2 have been learning about fractions. We are trying

to make secure links with fractions and division, doubling and halving.



*Mrs Lyn-Jones*

## Owl class

I hope you had a lovely Easter and enjoyed the few days of sunshine that graced us with its presence.



This term our topic is 'Cool Composers', and as the name suggests, it is all about music! We have launched out topic thinking about our personal music choices, artists and bands we enjoy and instruments we like to hear or play and created a mood board to reflect this. In English we are exploring how music is used in films and how this impacts on our own emotions. The Cubes are working with money in maths, this has been very interesting as we handle coins and notes less in our everyday life. If you can give you child an opportunity to use 'real' money when they visit the shops, count their money boxes etc, this would support their ability to recognise the coins we use. The Spheres have been adding and subtracting fractions and are doing very well. What is sound? and How do we hear? has been the big question to consider. I am sure they can you all about it!

Just a reminder that PE kits need to be in school on Tuesdays and Fridays this term and every child should have a pencil case and book bag.

*Mrs Pickering*

## Falcon class

WIZARD: We had a WOW start to our new topic when we not only received a message from Professor McGonagall but also had a wand workshop led by Professor Trelawney! The children were all buzzing with excitement and there were some very practiced looking swishes of their new wands. We have started to use the first Harry Potter book as inspiration for writing in a range of genres. This week has seen us exploring a scene from the point of view of another character and writing a first-hand



account - ask the children about the snake. In Maths, Pentagons and Hexagons have both been busily extending their knowledge place value and fractions, whilst the Crystals have been showing off their calculation skills. In Science we are learning about how we see, how light travels in straight lines and we used a non fiction text in ERIC to learn about refraction and rainbows. The art topic is also linked to WIZARD and the class have thoroughly enjoyed 'researching' the Harry Potter film clips to analyse the portraits in preparation for designing and making their own...watch this space! It was good to see Y5 all ready and on time for swimming this week and Mrs Fakes reported that they all worked hard in their first lesson.

Please remember to hear your children read, practice their KIRFS, times tables and spellings each day - it make a significant difference to their learning and skills. Thank you for this.

Mrs. Hicks (aka Prof Trelawney)

*Mrs Hicks*

## FOPS News

### CHOCOLATE AMNESTY

We hope you all had a lovely Easter holiday and are looking forward to the summer term. We thought some of you may have been inundated with chocolate over Easter and if you didn't fancy eating it all yourselves (although we wouldn't blame you) we thought we would hold a Chocolate Amnesty. So if you do have any chocolate that you no longer want at home, please hand it in at the school office, who will pass them onto FOPS so we can use it in our chocolate tombola at the Summer Fete.

### FOPS SOCIAL

A reminder that our next social night will be on **Thursday 5th May** at the **Purley Sports & Social Club** from **7pm onwards**. It'll be very relaxed. Just a chance to have a catch up and meet other parents over a few drinks. We would love to see you if you are free.

### SUMMER FETE

Having been unable to hold a summer fete for the last couple of years, we have big plans for our Fete this year, which will be held at the school on **Saturday 9th July**. We are currently in the planning stage but if you would like to be involved or can offer some help running a stall or helping to

set up or pack away on the day please do let us know via our FOPS Lite sign up link - <https://bit.ly/FOPSLITE>

Any help you can offer will be much appreciated!

### SCHOOL LOTTERY

We are excited to announce the launch of a lottery for Purley School through Your School Lottery. You can enter via the following link

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/purley-ce-primary-school>

Tickets for the lottery cost just £1 per week. There is a guaranteed cash winner from Purley Primary every week and the chance to win the **£25,000** jackpot.

The draw takes place every Saturday & Your School Lottery will notify the winners via email. Match all 6 numbers and you win the **JACKPOT!** For every ticket you play, 76% goes to your school and prizes. If you sign up, there is also a chance of winning a £500 bike voucher. A really easy way to help raise money for the school, with a chance of winning something in return - Good luck everyone!

### Dates for the diary

**25/05/22** – Jubilee day -End of Summer Term 1

**26/05/22** – **Extra School Platinum Jubilee Holiday**

**06/06/22** – Start of Summer Term 2

**09-10/06/22** – Year 4/5 Camping

**09/07/22** – School fete

**21/07/22** – **End of Academic Year at 1:15pm**

**05/09/22** – **Start of the new Academic Year**

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

01189842384 or email:

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

**Karen Fakes (Head teacher)**

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# PURLEY PLAYERS

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## CORONATION FEVER

by Vince Jones

"With the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth the Second only a year away, the village of Wintercourse Frequent must prepare!

The Vicar calls together some stalwarts of the village to plan for the big event over two meetings."

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> & Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2022

8.00pm - Purley Memorial Hall, RG8 8DP

(Doors open 7.30pm)

Box Office opens: 9<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Tickets: £8 & £6 concessions

(seats numbered and limited so book early)

From Jean: 0118 942 4372 or

email: [tickets@purleyplayers.uk](mailto:tickets@purleyplayers.uk)

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