



## Purley CE Primary School

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# Thursday Newsletter

Learn to love, love to learn

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### Headteacher's Update

I cannot believe that the time has come to write my last newsletter blog. I have wonderful memories of my time at Purley School. I say thank you for trusting me with your children. They are now a few pounds heavier, a few centimeters taller, hopefully a little wiser. They have always been loving. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to watch them develop and support them on their journey. We have lived, laughed, loved, played and learnt together.



Remember I will always be interested in your child's destiny. If you and/ or your child meet me on the street, please come and say hello. I have never liked my surname, but it is easy to find me to update me.

I have been a teacher for 40 years and the last nine years at Purley School have been extra special. I have said from day one that Purley is a very special school; it has that extra something, which is created by the staff, pupils and you the parents. Being the Headteacher at Purley has been so rewarding. Thank you and Good bye.

*Mrs Fakes*

### September Arrangements

School will return on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September. Gates will open at 8:50 and close for all year groups at 9:00. After this the child is marked as late, further details are in our Attendance Policy on the website.

#### Equipment

Every child needs a named refillable water bottle.

Children in years 1-6 need a pencil case. Please ensure their pencil cases are refilled ready for a new school year. These should remain at school and not be transported to and from the home. The pencil case needs to be an easily wipeable clear plastic one They will need to contain

Pencil and colouring pencils

rubber,

glue stick,

pencil sharpener



They will also need personal headphone buds or foldable earphones that can fit in their drawer (Y1-Y6) to use with the technology.

If you are in receipt of free school meals (or have received free school meals at any point in the last 6 years) and need support in purchasing these items, please contact the school office.

Wrap around care, Breakfast and Nutkin club, will restart in September. Booking can be made via the following link: <https://purley.childcare-online-booking.co.uk/>

### Goodbye from Mrs Hicks

Whilst I have only been at Purley for 2 years it has always felt very much like home. It's been a great joy to share in children's learning and see them grow and develop. Thank you to everyone for their support and encouragement – I will miss you all.

*Mrs Hicks*

## The Summer Reading Challenge is back!

This is an annual reading engagement programme delivered by The Reading Agency. It aims to tackle the summer reading 'dip' by encouraging children aged 4 – 11 to read for pleasure over the summer holidays by setting a reading target, reading their books and receiving rewards and incentives along the way. The theme for this year's Challenge is 'Gadgeteers'. Developed in collaboration with the Science Museum Group, the Challenge will show children that science is all around us every day and inspire them to unleash their curiosity and creativity! Visit the local library to get started and pick up their first set of rewards and borrowed books. A total of 6 books need to be read over the Summer holiday in order to complete the challenge and receive all rewards and a final certificate and medal. The books can also be borrowed from the library bus



The challenge will be a house competition. Children to bring their certificates back to school in September (deadline for completion is

15<sup>th</sup> September)

**Happy reading everyone and may the best house win!!**

## FOPS News

How can you support the PTA over the summer break, I hear you cry?!

### Easyfundraising

You can raise FREE donations when you shop online with over 6,000 retailers. It's simple and only takes 2 minutes to sign up! This will make a BIG difference to us. Sign up here:

[https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fopsreading/?utm\\_campaign=raise-more&utm\\_medium=clipboard&utm\\_content=cpl](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fopsreading/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_medium=clipboard&utm_content=cpl)

### My nametags

When buying labels for school uniform, please consider using [mynametags.com](http://mynametags.com) and put our school ID number **18975** on your order, by doing so, school will receive a donation from your total order.

## Amazon smile

Register our school as your chosen charity in your Amazon account by turning on the smile feature in the app or in your browser. Every eligible purchase after that will automatically generate a 0.5% donation to your selected charity - hopefully that's us!

## Your School Lottery

We hope you enjoyed your cash prize last week Mr Ham! If you too want to stand a chance to win the school's weekly cash prize, or even better the £25k jackpot, just head to [yourschoollottery.co.uk](http://yourschoollottery.co.uk), sign up and select Purley Primary School. From every £1 ticket sold 40p will go to Purley Primary.

## Hire the party box

Hosting a party soon? Did you know we rent out a party box of colourful plastic reusable cups, plates, jugs and platters in exchange for a donation? Contact Sarah McGowan 07872 316048 to book your hire in.

## Dates for the diary

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

**12/09/22 – Year 2 swimming starts**

**20/10/22 – End of Autumn term 1**

**01/11/22 – Start of Autumn term 2**

**06/11/22 – Fireworks**

**20 /12/22 – End of Autumn term 2 at 1:15**

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:

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**Karen Fakes (Head teacher)**

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