



Purley CE Primary School

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Friday Bulletin

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Wecome back!

Where did that holiday go? Or at least that is what the school staff are saying. It was lovely to welcome the children back to school this week. It is amazing how much they grow over the holidays. Might be all that inclement weather we had watering them!

The inclement weather has also had an impact on the progress of the build. Drying the plaster has been quite a challenge resulting in a delay. At the time of going to press, it is plan C as detailed below:

Sept 3-11th

All classes to remain in the classroom they were in last July. Mrs Lyn-Jones teaching in Hedgehog classroom, Mrs Pickering in Badger classroom, Mrs Archer in the hall.

Sept 14th- 18th

- Hedgehog class With Mrs Carr and Mrs King in Hedgehog class.
- Badger class with Mrs Lyn-Jones and Mrs Hodsdon in Badger class.
- Owl class with Mrs Pickering in hall.
- Woodpecker class in new Woodpecker class (upstairs) with Mrs Archer.

Sept 21st

All children in correct classrooms.

October

The rear of school should be ready by the end of September. Once the rear is open, Badger and Woodpecker will enter school through the hall door, Owl and Badger to enter through the playground door.

To ensure the children's safety, the work at the front of the school will take place during October half term. Railings will be installed and the path widened.

It is a very exciting as well as stressful time. I would like to thank you as parents (along with staff and pupils) for your understanding during this uncertain time. It will all be worth it in the end!

**GRAND OPENING FETE
SATURDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER**

11:30am to 2pm

FOPS are working hard on the plans for the Grand Opening Fete. We have been granted a road closure by the council and so the fete will be bigger and grander than usual. We have a bouncy castle, ice-cream van, a live band, Owens Animals (see letter in bookbags) and a variety of shopping stalls as well as our usual raffle, auction, tombola, hook-a-duck, lucky dip etc.

The theme is "**P is for Purley**" with purple featuring heavily including our sponsors of the event Purple Bricks. Hopefully you will have seen the advertising boards around the village. We will also be asking you next week to help distribute flyers to the village to let everyone know of our event. Please take a batch for your road or one nearby!

We will also have a fancy dress parade for the children where they must dress as something beginning with "P". This will be judged by the current Purley Villager of the Year.

The building will be officially opened at the fete by the Sue Briscoe, Chairperson of Purley Parish Council. We hope you will all come along with friends and family to support the school and to take a look at the new classrooms.

Thanks
Nicky, Chair of FOPS

RAFFLE TICKETS: Please could you return all your raffle ticket money to the school office. If you would like more raffle tickets to sell to friends and neighbours, please e-mail nicky.gibbens@gmail.com

FRENCH WEEK – 7th to 11th September



Whole school mini topic covering France and the French language. There will be a dress up day on **Wednesday 9th Sept.** Dress

in anything "French" e.g. beret, stripy top, red white and blue representing the tricolor flag. We ask for a donation of £1 for this non school uniform day which will be used to purchase resources for the teaching of French in KS2.

KS2 CHOIR – Year 3, 4 and 5

Choir for KS2 (Y3-5) only will start on Mondays from 7th September (3.00-3.30pm). 20 of the children will be selected to represent the school at the Music Festival which will be held at the Hexagon Theatre on Thursday 26th November. Priority will be given to the older children if they have learnt the songs.

If you're child has shown an interest in being in the choir, they have been given a permission slip to bring to school on Monday.

This does not count as an afterschool club. A list of clubs will be sent in due course.

YEAR 2 SWIMMING

The lessons will start on Monday 9th November. Further details will be sent nearer the time.

YEAR 1 WOODLAND SCHOOL

All the year 1 children will start weekly Woodland School sessions at Basildon Park from Monday 14th September (morning). Further details will be sent nearer the time. If you are able to come along and help, please let Mrs Ham know. It would be very much appreciated.

YEAR 3 RUSHALL FARM

The children will have fortnightly sessions at Rushall Farm starting Monday 14th September (morning). Further details will be sent nearer the time. If you are able to come along and help, please let Mrs Ham know. It would be very much appreciated.

KS2 SNACKS

Reminder – children in years 3, 4 and 5 can bring a piece of fruit as their mid-morning snack. The government funded fruit scheme is only available to KS1 children.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE



Did you complete your Summer Reading Challenge? Don't forget to show your certificate and medal to your teacher in September so they can see how well you have done.

There is still time to try to finish it. Also if any have not started there is still time, but you must hurry to your local library as soon as possible to make a start.

Children have also been given the opportunity to take part in the Arts Award with the reading challenge, by completing activities in a booklet. You also have to the end of September to complete this. Once done you gain "The Arts Award Discover" award. Initially the libraries were just giving these booklets to children who had completed the challenge, but they are now available to all the children though probably more suitable for 7 year olds and over.

BIBLES DONATIONS

We are very grateful to Ed and Marie Butler who kindly donated some money to go towards the purchase of new Bibles for the school.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

09/09/15	French Day dressing up!
19/09/15	Grand Opening, 11.30-2.00
26/11/15	Music Festival at the Hexagon
16/10/15	Harvest Festival at St Mary's (9.30am)
19/10/15 & 20/10/15	Parents' Evening
10/12/15 (am)	Foundation/KS1 Nativity Production at St Mary's

Term Dates 2015 – 2016	
Term 1	Thursday 3rd September 2015 to Thursday 22nd October 2015
Autumn Break	23/10/15 – 02/11/15
Term 2	Tuesday 3rd November 2015 to Friday 18 th December 2015
Christmas Holiday	21/12/15 – 04/01/16
Term 3	Tuesday 5th January 2016 to Friday 12 th February 2016
Spring Break	15/02/16 – 19/02/16
Term 4	Monday 22nd February 2016 to Thursday 24th March 2016
Easter Holiday	25/03/16 – 11/04/16
Term 5	Tuesday 12th April 2016 – Friday 27th May 2016
Summer Break	30/05/16 – 03/06/16
Term 6	Monday 6th June 2016 to Wednesday 20 th July 2016