



# Purley CE Primary School

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## Friday Bulletin

11<sup>th</sup> September 2015

### Reminder

Things are progressing! We are on target to meet the dates set out below.

#### 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. Access will be via main school for a week)

#### Sept 21st

All children in correct classrooms.

#### Sept 23rd Meet the teacher

See timings at the end of the newsletter

**GRAND OPENING FETE  
SATURDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

11:30am to 2pm

**Gunge the teacher - Mr Gibbens, Mrs Lyn-Jones or Mrs Archer?** Who will it be?

The children can cast their vote all week by placing 50p into the jars at school to vote for which teacher they would like to see gunged at the end of the Grand Opening Fete. Voting continues through the week and right up to the gunging!

#### Cakes

Please bring in cake donations on Friday 18th (for shop bought) or Saturday 19th (home-made) for our cake stall at the fete. Our theme is purple so if you can please theme your cake with lilac or purple!!

#### Lucky Dip Bags

In your book bag is a fete newsletter and a polybag for filling. These will be sold at the fete for £1 in a lucky dip tub. You can fill them with anything the children would like - stickers,

sweets, pens/pencils, small car etc - but no chocolate (so it doesn't melt). Some examples are at school if you need ideas.

#### 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](mailto:nicky.gibbens@gmail.com)

#### Owen's Animals

Don't forget to return your requests as soon as possible. The 11.30 slot is full up but there are still spaced at 12, 12.30, 1 and 1.30? £3 for one adult or child and £5 for two.

Thank you for all your support.  
*Nicky, Chair of FOPS*

### COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

We all remember feeling like 'the new kid on the block' and hopefully, we can all recall that person who befriended us or that activity that joined a group together as fast friends. We started this week with the story of Ruth and Naomi; looking ahead to the term and the year ahead, we reminded ourselves, we all have a part to play in building relationships to love and support one another.

*Pam Slingsby, Foundation Governor*

### AFTERSCHOOL CARE CLUB

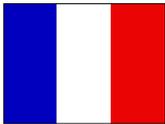
Our brand new club has had a fantastic start. The feedback has been great. Due to its popularity, we're now looking to recruit an additional member of staff on Wednesdays and Fridays. Hours: 3pm till 6.00pm. If you would like some more information, please speak to the office.

## SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

There is still time to join the challenge but you must hurry to your local library as soon as possible to make a start. If you have already registered, finish it quickly!

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.

## FRENCH DAY!



Our French Day raised £88.80 so far. If you haven't brought in your £1, you can still do so. Thank you for your support.

## STARS OF THE WEEK



**This year, we have started a new award at the pupils' request. The children themselves vote for the Purley Paragon in their class. (More information at the end of the newsletter)**

### Hedgehog Class

**Star of the week:** Tianna for being a maths champ

**Friendship Star:** Amy for taking care of her friend when she was upset

**Purley Paragon:** Bailey

### Badger Class/Owl Class

**Star of the week:** Lola M for consistently working hard.

**Friendship Star:** Natalya HB for helping Mrs Pickering and Mrs Street settling in to the classroom.

**Purley Paragon:** Maegan

### Woodpecker Class:

**Star of the week:** Erika for hard work and conscientious presentation.

**Friendship Star:** Jamie for looking after new children in school and demonstrating extreme kindness

**Purley Paragon:** Joshua

## HEDGEHOG CLASS/BADGER



This week in Hedgehog class we have enjoyed finding out about France and learning some simple phrases, words and songs. The children looked fantastic on Wednesday for the dress up day so thank you all for participating and contributing £1 towards purchasing new French resources. The class enjoyed listening to stories set in France and finding out about the Eiffel Tower. We had fun investigating structures and how to make them stable and explored making an Eiffel Tower with marshmallows and spaghetti. Not an easy job! We also enjoyed making French crepes and setting up a creperie in our classroom. They were delicious.

In Maths, we have been looking at patterns in the number system and place value. We explored what each digit in a 2 digit number represents using different tens and units apparatus.

Next week we will be starting our topic "Land Ahoy". Mrs Lyn-Jones

## BADGER/OWL CLASS



All the children have settled back into class very well following the summer break. This week we have been learning all about France. On Monday the children made passports and travelled to France using different modes of transport; plane, boat and the channel tunnel. On arrival, we looked at where France is in the world, what continent it is in and which countries border it.

The children have found the capital city and researched some of the famous landmarks and buildings including The Louvre and the Eiffel Tower. On Wednesday we tried our hand at baking French Baguettes! I am sure you all got to have a taste. In Maths we have been counting in French and solving simple number sentences in French. We have also revisited time and investigating adding and subtracting an hour to understand the time difference between England and France.

Next week, the year 3 children will be starting their topic for this term. For our entry day on

Tuesday we will need cardboard boxes, no larger than a cereal box. Please can you send in any that you may have. Thank you.

Mrs Pickering

## WOODPECKER CLASS



Woodpecker class have enjoyed French week. In particular, we took a tour of Paris, visiting the Eiffel Tower, the Lovers' Bridge, the Musée du Louvre and l'Arc de Triomphe. Having studied the amazing architecture of the Eiffel Tower, we turned our brains to designing our own Eiffel Towers using spaghetti and marshmallows. In Computing, we have utilised Google Sketchup, a free educational 3-dimensional modelling app to design sculptures which could be exhibited in the Musée du Louvre. Google Sketchup is a great app for young architects and it is free and easy to download at home so feel free to ask the children to show the skills they have learnt using this app. Mrs Archer

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

19/09/15	Grand Opening, 11.30-2.00
23/09/15	<b>Meet the Teacher</b> 5.30 Hedgehog 5.45 Badger 6.00 Owl 6.15 Woodpecker
05/11/15	Thameside Firework Fiesta!
26/11/15	Music Festival at the Hexagon
14/10/15	Parents' Evening 3:30-6:00 <i>More details to follow</i>
16/10/15	Harvest Festival at St Mary's (9.30am)
20/10/15	Parents' Evening 6:00-8:00 <i>More details to follow</i>
10/12/15 (am)	Foundation/KS1 Nativity Production at St Mary's

## ARE YOU A PURLEY PARAGON?

I can increase my intelligence if I work hard and put in a lot of effort

I enjoy challenges and really throw myself into them.

I don't give up quickly. I tell myself to keep going

I take my time and try to work things out for myself



It's better when work is hard because it probably means I am learning new things.

Being smart means working hard to improve your knowledge and skills

