



Purley CE Primary School

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Friday Bulletin

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Thank you!

A big thank you to all parents, staff and children who have been so patient and understanding with our build. We are now approaching the end of the build and all children will be in their own classrooms by Monday morning. We will still have some finishing touches to do over the next few weeks including the outside space at the back and the new railings at the front.

We're hoping to go back to our full school dinner menu week commencing 28th September. We will send out the new menu with next week's newsletter.

See you all tomorrow at 11.30 for our grand opening. Please remember that the road immediately outside the school will be closed and parking will be very limited so walking is probably the best option.

GRAND OPENING FETE SATURDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER

The gate opens for the Grand Opening this Saturday 19th September at 11.30am. The events will then continue as follows:

- 11:45am School officially opened by Sue Briscoe, Chairman of Purley Parish Council and Peppa Pig
- 12pm Fancy Dress Parade and judging by Villagers of the Year
- 12:15 Live Band - Blue Velvet (30mins)
- 1pm Cheerleading Display
- 1:15pm Live Band - Blue Velvet (30mins)
- 1:45pm Raffle draw
- 2pm Auction closes
Gunge the Teacher

There are 10 external stall holders with a wide variety of products as well as food, drink, music, art & crafts, face-painting etc.

Come along and enjoy the fete with your family. The weather is looking fine!!!

You can also see the two new classrooms.
See you tomorrow
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MEET THE TEACHER WEDNESDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER

- 5.30 Hedgehog
- 5.45 Badger
- 6.00 Owl
- 6.15 Woodpecker

This is a great opportunity to have a look at your child's classroom, find out about homework, routines etc and say hello to your child's teacher. This is only meant as a brief introductory session. If you have specific queries about your child, our parents evenings are taking place in October (see diary dates). If you have a more urgent query, please make an appointment with the teacher via the office. Please note that no childcare will be provided and we would therefore ask that you make prior arrangements.

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

In Collective Worship, the theme was 'The Earth is the Lord's and all that is in it...'. To help us understand we looked at a series of stunning photos of God's creation – planets, stars, moon, the earth, animals and plants. The highpoint of God's creation being of course humans – you and me. We read from the Bible (Psalm 104) which is a beautiful description of God's creation. *Rev Archer*



WOODLAND SCHOOL



Ash group enjoyed an unexpected dry morning at Basildon Park.

After familiarising ourselves with the site and the Woodland rules we spent a morning building dens and looking for signs of seasonal changes.

We noticed leaves were changing colour and we literally watched some falling from the trees! Some children built dens whilst others went hunting for worms! They found quite a few. Another small group threaded leaves onto string. *Mrs Herbert*



BREAKFAST CLUB/ AFTERSCHOOL CARE CLUB

Both clubs will move to the hall from Monday.

STARS OF THE WEEK



Hedgehog Class

Star of the week: Samuel for enthusiastic participation in everything

Friendship Star: Chloe for being supportive to a new child

Purley Paragon: Abigail

Badger Class

Star of the week: Iona for being a great learning partner and creating a fun pirate poem

Friendship Star: Alice for supporting her partner with their spellings

Purley Paragon: Ben

Owl Class

Star of the week: Gracie for trying her best in everything

Friendship Star: Jasmine for helping a new member of the class feel welcome

Purley Paragon: Emily

Woodpecker Class:

Star of the week: Tyreese for working exceptionally hard all week

Friendship Star: Isabella for always having a kind word and reassurance

Purley Paragon: Madeline

HEDGEHOG CLASS



Welcome to all the new children who have started school in Hedgehog class this week!

We have had a busy week learning everyone's names, making friends and getting to know each other. The children have been learning about our school rules and routines and have nearly mastered their new seating plan. Some of our learning has focused on Pirates and the children have made 'Wanted' posters and treasure maps. We have also done some work in preparation for our visit to Ella's kitchen next week learning about different farm animals and where they live. In numeracy the foundation children have been counting up to and back from 10 and 20, matching and recognising numbers. Year 1 children have been learning number bonds with simple additions and number sentences using a variety of maths apparatus. We will be designing and making a variety of Pirate themed objects so please send in recycling materials for junk modelling especially tubes and small boxes. Thank you very much.
Mrs Carr

Message for new parents: Please use the black post box on the fence outside the office if you wish to send back replies, letters or dinner money etc. This is checked every morning. Thank you!

BADGER CLASS



This week Badger class have started their topic on Pirates. We looked at how they dressed and wrote labels to accompany our drawings. We worked as a class to create a pirate rap and then explored the ideas further with a partner before writing our own pirate poems. Using beebot, our programmable toy, we gave directions to explore routes on a pirate map. In small groups we looked at some pirate objects and decided which were the most important for a pirate. In Maths, we have continued to explore place value and consolidate our understanding of tens and units. Some of us have also looked at hundreds, tens and units. Next week we will continue to look at poetry and the use of alliteration. *Mrs Lyn-Jones*

OWL CLASS



This week, Owl class have launched into the new topic for this term; My Place, Your Place, Our Place. Throughout the topic we are looking at where we live in the wider world around us. With this in mind we had a DT day building some of the features around Purley. St Mary's Church, the school, some of the beautiful houses around the school, the parks and the lock have all been reconstructed by Owl class building team! In English we have started to look at stories that have a dilemma or an issue. The children have used drama to act out alternative endings to stories. In Maths, the focus was how numbers are made up and the importance of place value in our number system. Spellings have now been sent home and we will be testing and issuing new spellings every Monday.

Wheat group had a super afternoon at Rushall farm, where they went river wadding and caught a host of river creatures including river shrimps. Baby stickleback fish and may fly nymphs. *Mrs Pickering*

WOODPECKER CLASS



Woodpecker class have had a wonderful week in their beautiful new classroom. It has given the older children a real sense of

privilege to be working upstairs. Our class novel this term is, "There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom," by Louis Sachar and the children have enjoyed getting to know the troubled protagonist - Bradley Chalkers. In Maths, our focus has been consolidating our understanding of the number system, place value and using very large numbers. We have made a virtual tour of Purley during topic time in the afternoon and have been considering the 7 ingredients for life in Science.

Mrs Archer

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

19/09/15	Grand Opening, 11.30-2.00
23/09/15	Meet the Teacher 5.30 Hedgehog 5.45 Badger 6.00 Owl 6.15 Woodpecker
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>
05/11/15	Thameside Firework Fiesta!
26/11/15	Music Festival at the Hexagon
10/12/15 (am)	Foundation/KS1 Nativity Production at St Mary's