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Friday Bulletin

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Thameside Firework Fiesta
Thursday 5th November
Gates open 5.30pm.
Fireworks 7pm
In the field next to
Mapledurham Lock

Can you believe that it's nearly a year since the firework display at the lock? Well it's time to get your tickets for this year's fiesta which will be bigger, better, more food outlets, pre-show music, glow novelties and a bar! Once again proceeds are in aid of the school and if you book in advance we've kept last year's prices. So get your tickets beforehand and avoid the queue. You can get them online from 1st October at www.thamesidefiesta.com or at school (we'll let you know when they'll be on sale there) or at Purley Post Office. Advance prices - Family ticket (2 adults and up to 4 children aged 5-12) £15, Adult £6, child £2.50. Under 5s go free. If you decide to buy at the gate, tickets are £20 Family ticket, £8 Adult, £3 Child. See you there!!

CAN YOU HELP?

Jam Jars: As last year, we would like to use jam jars with tea lights to light up paths and edge of the water. Could you start collecting wide top jam jars (like Bonne Maman) rather than narrow top ones. There will be a box in the playground from 19th October.

Gazebos: have you got a gazebo or two that we could borrow for the evening?

Helpers: we're looking for helpers on the day to set up and clear up the following day.

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP



This week in Collective Worship we were thinking about how much Jesus loves us. To help us do this we watched a beautiful animation about the

Parable of the Lost Sheep. It tells of a shepherd who when he realises he has lost one of his sheep goes looking for it until he finds it. When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and returns home rejoicing and tells all his friends and neighbours. It is a picture of how Jesus is like the good shepherd and wants no one to be lost. Instead Jesus wants everyone to be a part of God's kingdom and to experience all the good things that God intends for us.

Rev Archer

HARVEST FESTIVAL



It was great to see so many of you today at our Harvest Festival. We hope you enjoyed all the singing!

ReadiFood

Thank you for all your kind donations. We will send them to ReadiFood on Monday.

WOODLAND SCHOOL



This week it was dry and sunny at Basildon although rather chilly in the woods. Time to start thinking about bringing gloves and an extra pair of socks!

The adults were all impressed how engaged the children were in their little groups of Independent learning. These activities included hide & seek, balancing and climbing trees. We also searched for fungi on the forest floor. All the children remembered we can look at it but on no account must we touch it. Hiba found some chalk so we measured each other's heights and drew the findings on an old tree trunk. Jessie and Malakhai were the tallest.



Daisy remembered we had been finding suitable small logs to make into instruments last week. So a few of us found some more and we made a band. Sergio had two pieces of Flint to tap together and Jess and Hiba made a large guitar type instrument! *Mrs Herbert*

LOST UNIFORM

Could you please check this weekend that your child is wearing their own jumpers/cardigans. We have a number of named jumpers/cardigans that have been lost over the last few weeks. Thank you.

PE KITS - REMINDER

PE kits need to be in school daily and should include: black shorts, white t-shirt, black jogging bottoms (especially as the weather is getting colder), trainers and/or pumps and socks (if your child usually wears tights with their school uniform). Everything should be clearly labelled with your child's name and kept in a small drawstring bag or small bag. Please avoid

rucksacks as they take too much space. Thank you.

YEAR 1 AND 2 NASAL FLU VACCINATION

An information/consent form has been sent home via your child's bookbag. Could you ensure that the forms are returned by 11th November at the latest. Thank you.

ISS NEW MENU

A copy of the new menu is in your child's bookbag. The menu will be effective from 3rd November.

HALF TERM DATES - REMINDER

The children finish school at 3.00pm on Thursday 22nd October. They return to school on Tuesday 3rd November.

STARS OF THE WEEK



Hedgehog Class

Star of the week: Elsie for great phonics work and for trying hard with her writing.

Friendship Star: Ellie for taking care of her friends

Woodland Star: Jamie initiated the task of making a tunnel for the balls to go through on the ball run. He listened to others ideas and let them help him. He proved to be a good leader and coordinator.

Purley Paragon: Toby

Badger Class

Star of the week: Hiba for being a maths champ and counting on using a 100 square

Friendship Star: Ethan for always listening to his class friends when on the carpet

Purley Paragon: Lola

Owl Class

Star of the week: Leo for his positive and enthusiastic attitude to his learning.

Friendship Star: Jisel – her happy smile always lights up our classroom.

Purley Paragon: Ryan

Woodpecker Class:

Star of the week: Teyah for excellent work throughout the week.

Friendship Star: Samuel for always looking out for other people.

Purley Paragon: Callum

HEDGEHOG CLASS



This week in Hedgehog class, the Foundation stage children started the week with the story of The Little Red Hen. We linked it to harvest and discussed the journey of the wheat from the seed to the ripened crop and then the milling of the flour. They acted out the story and wrote some of the character words. We then embarked on a design and technology project. The class received a message from a pirate captain asking for help to make a good boat to rescue his treasure. The children investigated which materials were waterproof and which floated to help us with our designs. We made our boats using recycled materials and took photographs of our finished models. In Maths, the Y1 children have been using 100 squares to help with addition, counting on in ones and tens. The Foundation stage children have been counting up to 20 and making repeating patterns. Next week, we will finish our topic with a Pirate Party! *Mrs Carr*

BADGER CLASS



Badger class have been finding out about famous pirates this week. We worked with a partner to write some notes about Blackbeard and Anne Bonney and then used these notes to make some wanted posters. In geography, we learnt about the different continents and oceans of the world. Using a 100 square we have continued to explore addition by counting on in tens and then units. Next week, we will finish our topic with a Pirate Party! *Mrs Lyn-Jones*

OWL CLASS

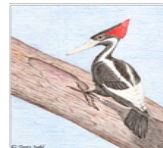


We have had a change of focus in English this week. We have moved from fiction writing to non-fiction writing. The children have been researching the architect Sir Christopher Wren and St Paul's Cathedral and have made a fact sheet to record their information. Keeping with the theme of great architects, we have explored the works of Gaudi especially the Parc Guell in Barcelona. The children have enjoyed making

mosaic animals in a typical Gaudi style. In Maths, we have been looking at multiplication and the three times table. The children have used their understanding to solve multiplication equations together with puzzles and problems incorporating multiplication. Next week in Maths we will be using our knowledge of multiplication to support the operation of division. The children have worked extremely hard writing and learning their very own versions of 'The 12 Days of Harvest' - we do hope you enjoyed our performance.

This week at Rushall Farm the children the children explored the woodland areas looking at the wildlife and fauna. *Mrs Pickering*

WOODPECKER CLASS



Woodpecker Class have been stretching their mathematical skills with fraction problem solving this week. Some have been using fractions with different denominators and finding equivalents in order to add or subtract them. Others have been finding fractions of an amount or quantity. In English, we've been on a 'Clause Hunt' to discover what has been happening around the school and then considered how we could join two clauses with a conjunction to create compound sentences. We have also been developing our persuasive language with imperative verbs, alliteration and superlative adverbs. PE at the field was lovely with a bright sunny day. Our topic work has taken us to London as we consider some of our Capital's landmarks and iconic buildings. We have continued to consider life processes and living things in Science and there are lots of exciting activities and links on 'My Learning' for children to use - please do check these out. Next week, in Maths we're going to learn about measure, converting units and how to solve problems involving measures. In English we're going to develop our final persuasive argument. *Mrs Archer*

Diary dates are overleaf



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

20/10/15	Parents' Evening 6:00-8:00
21/10/15	FOPS AGM, 7.30
23/10/15- 02/11/15	Half Term
05/11/15	Thameside Firework Fiesta!
10/11/15	Individual school photos
12/11/15	Assessment information evening (6.30pm)
16/11/15	Year 1 and 2 Flu Immunisation
26/11/15	Music Festival at the Hexagon
10/12/15 (am)	Foundation/KS1 Nativity Production at St Mary's
15/12/15	ISS Christmas Lunch for the children
21/12/15- 04/01/15	Christmas Break

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 0118 9842384 or email: headteacher@purley.w-berks.sch.uk

Karen Fakes (Headteacher)

Learn to Love, Love to Learn