



Purley CE Primary School

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Friday Bulletin

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COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

What is easier, playing Monopoly or Simon Says? I think we'd all agree it would be Simon Says. It's the difference between remembering loads of rules and just one or two. This week, we heard about how the Israelites were losing sight of how to live a life that was kind and considerate to each other, and pleasing to God. We recalled how Moses was given the Ten Commandments and we thought what they might mean in our lives today. But it would be true to say that most of us thought following so many rules might be a tall order. We thought about how Jesus shared a simpler set of rules to remind us how to live our lives more lovingly and compassionately: Love God, love people. Let's face it, two are easier to remember than ten. But is it always easy to do? Pam Slingsby, Foundation Governor



WOODLAND SCHOOL



It was a lovely dry morning this week after a seriously wet few days. The ground was perfect for our activity. We mixed woodland soil with a little water to make mud paint. The children then painted some amazing Autumn pictures. They were all very engaged during the morning. We spent some time climbing the tree then looked for things in the wood that we could match to some colour charts. There are so many shades of green, brown and yellow particularly at this time of year. We also tried to catch some falling leaves. Firhan caught nine!!



ASSESSING YOUR CHILD

Thank you to those parents/carers who were able to come along last night and for your complimentary feedback. A copy of the presentation will be put on the school website shortly

(<http://purleyprimaryschool.co.uk/teaching-and-learning.php>). A hard copy your child's learning objectives is in your child's bookbag. Electronic versions for all year groups will also be available on the school website.

HELPING YOUR CHILD WITH READING



There's a note in your child's bookbag. Could you confirm your attendance by Wednesday 17th November. Thank you.

CHARITIES

We are aware that we are often asking for donations. Apart from swimming, Rushall farm etc, we have had the collection for French resources and the Foodbank this term. We have also committed to doing a sponsored event for the NSPCC in the New year in return for some workshops at the school. Bearing this in mid we decided not to take part in the Children in need appeal this year.

SCHOOL PHOTOS



The proofs/orders forms for the photos will be in school by the end of next week.

BISCUIT WRAPPERS WANTED!

Woodpecker Class are collecting biscuit wrappers, tins and or boxes and would appreciate any wrappers people could save for us. For example, kitkats, mcivities, hobnobs Penguins, clubs, biscuit assortments etc. Thank you.

YEAR 2 SWIMMING



The children did very well at their first lesson. To speed things up and get in the pool on time, the children will go straight on the bus rather than come in to school. Mrs Hodsdon will take school dinner orders and send them to the office. Could we also suggest that the children wear their swimming trunks/costumes under their uniform.

TABLE TOP SALE

If anyone is interested in hiring a table at the Table Top sale to be held on Saturday December 12th at Purley Park

Social Club Wintringham Way please contact westberks.wardens@sovereign.org.uk or call 0118 945 5286. Table hire is £5.00, sale is 12-2 and set up is from 11.15.

UNIFORM

We have been informed by Making Impressions that the school jumpers/cardigans manufacturers have suffered a factory fire and won't be able to supply new stock until January 2016. Making Impressions have a certain amount of stock (mainly small sizes) available.

STARS OF THE WEEK



Hedgehog Class

Star of the week: Sydney for his amazing general knowledge in science and maths.

Friendship Star: Alfie for taking turns and respecting his peers and adults

Purley Paragon: Abraham

Badger Class

Star of the week: Cypher for taking such care with his seasons picture

Friendship Star: Jessica for lending her cardigan in a moment of need.

Purley Paragon: Hiba

Woodland Star: Alfie - he was very engaged in the mud painting activity and carried on when others had finished. He was heard to say, "There's just no stopping me. I am a Woodland artist!" And he was.

Owl Class

Star of the week: Anya for always trying her best in everything she does

Friendship Star: Jaime for being a good role model both in class and in the playground

Purley Paragon: Evelyn

Woodpecker Class:

Star of the week: Natalia for giving her best in class and for being helpful.

Friendship Star: Teagan Allen for an amazing transition into Woodpecker Class and quickly making lots of friends.

Purley Paragon: Dylan

HEDGEHOG CLASS



The Foundation children in Hedgehog class listened to the

story of The Three Billy Goats Gruff and then acted it out in drama, made bridges in construction, in maths ordered the goats in size and in phonics looked at words containing ff, ll, ee, ss! In Science the whole class have been learning about materials and have been on a materials hunt around the school. In Maths we have been learning about 3D shapes with the Y1 children finding out about the properties of 3D shapes. Y1 children have also been writing captions and using speech marks. *Mrs Carr*

BADGER CLASS



Badger class this week have been looking at different materials and their properties. They went on a material hunt to look for familiar and different materials around the school building. We all had great fun designing a celebration cake and the Great Badger Bake off was a real success! Thank you for the many cake decorations that arrived in school. They were greatly appreciated. As the children cooked they also discussed the changes that take place when mixing ingredients together. In English we have been looking at reading and how to write useful instructions and we enjoyed the story, "Kippers Birthday." We also had a go at helping Kipper to write clear invitations, thinking carefully as to what information needed to be included. In maths we have looked at the months of the year and the four different seasons. We made a pictogram to show when our birthdays were and which season they were in.

Next week we will be looking at the story, "Handa's surprise" and how the story has a repetitive structure. *Mrs Lyn-Jones*

OWL CLASS



This week in English we continued with our Remembrance Day poems in the style of Flanders Fields by John McCrae. The children watched a video about why we wear poppies and what life was like for the soldiers in the trenches. The poems they created were considerably powerful and very reflective of what they thought it would have been like. We have also started work on our new topic, Bake a Better Biscuit and have been looking at instructions. The children had to guide each other to build Lego models. It was a lot trickier than they had imagined! In Maths, the children

have been looking at data handling using pictograms, tally chart and frequency tables to discover which is the most popular type of biscuit enjoyed in Owl Class. Next week we will be continuing with instruction writing, and following simple instructions to make biscuits. In Maths, we will be continuing with data handling and moving on to measuring, weight and length. *Mrs Pickering*

WOODPECKER CLASS



Woodpecker class have continued to develop their instructional writing using time connectives, imperative verbs and creative adverbs. In maths we have considered the properties of equilateral, isosceles and scalene triangles. We shall be moving onto using factors in our calculations. Our science has taken us into space again, as we have considered all that an astronaut would need to stay healthy and the challenge this represents during a long period in zero gravity and without access to routine provisions. In topic work, we have learned about the 4 Rs which Reading is famous for (ask your children if they remember) and we have conducted a very entertaining survey to find out which biscuit is number one in the charts whilst enjoying the testing process enroute. *Mrs Archer*

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

16/11/15	Year 1 and 2 Flu Immunisation
18/11/15	Reading information, 7.00 pm
23/11/15	Reading information, 9.00 am
26/11/15	Music Festival at the Hexagon
10/12/15 (am)	Foundation/KS1 Nativity Production at St Mary's
14/12/15	Owl/Woodpecker open afternoon (2.15-3.00)
15/12/15	ISS Christmas Lunch for the children
17/12/15	FOPS Children's Christmas Party
18/12/15	End of Autumn Term 2 at 1.15pm
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

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 Learn to Love, Love to Learn