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Friday Bulletin

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We are a good school with outstanding provision for the development, behaviour and welfare of our students!

Yes, the OFSTED report has now been published and distributed alongside this newsletter. This judgement is quite an achievement with all the changes both in education generally and specifically here at Purley. Every member of staff, every child and every volunteer has contributed to the success of the school. Thank you to everyone for your support in many different ways. If anyone would like to discuss the report - please make an appointment to see me or alternatively the governors will be on hand during some sessions of our parents evenings on Feb 8th and 9th.

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP



Wise?

Everyone has those little sayings that make you stop and think.

This week, we started

our time of worship exploring what we mean by wisdom and couldn't help but chuckle at the saying about tomatoes! We explored our understanding of what it means to be wise, how it is so much more than just knowing the difference between right and wrong. As we read the story of Solomon, of how he sought God's guidance and placed his trust in Him, we began to understand in a bigger way. How do you define wisdom? What wise choices can you make?

Maybe you would like to ask your child(ren) about their wise choices or who they consider to be wise, or follow along with the stories in The Lion Storyteller Bible.

Pam Slingsby, Foundation Governor

FOPS UPDATE

Would you like to test your general knowledge and have some fun? Fancy a night out with friends and family? FOPS are holding a quiz

night starting at 7.30pm on **Friday 24th February** at The Barn, Goosecroft Lane. Tickets are £10 per person and includes a fish and chip supper. Maximum team size is six. There will be a licensed bar and raffle and quiz prizes.

If you've got what it takes, look out for the form on ParentMail (or ask in the school office) and book your place by **Friday 10th February**. Food orders will not be placed until payment has been received. If you haven't got a full team, speak to a member of FOPS and we can put you in touch with others.

We look forward to seeing you on the 24th February!

The next FOPS Committee meeting is on Thursday 26th January. If you have any ideas or suggestions for fundraising or would like more information please contact a member of the Committee via the school office.

Easyfundraising: Don't forget to use Easyfundraising for when booking your summer holidays! Visit:

www.easyfundraising.org.uk (or the app which is available on the app store or googleplay)

Facebook: Don't forget to check/like our Facebook page - Purley Church of England Primary School. It's a great way to keep up to date with FOPS events.

DONATION

A big thank you to Making Impressions, our uniform supplier, who have kindly donated £100 to the school.

PARENTS EVENINGS

As mentioned in the diary dates, Parents Evenings will take place on Wednesday 8th February (3.30 pm to 6.00 pm) and Thursday 9th February (6.00 pm to 8.00pm).

Next week you will receive a notification inviting you to book your parents evening meeting with your child's teacher. Please make sure that you allow for 10 minutes prior to your meeting to see your child's tray with all their work.

EAT WELL FOR LESS TV SHOW

The show follows Masterchef's Gregg Wallace & award winning greengrocer Chris Bavin on a mission to prove that it is possible for families to save money on their food budget without scrimping on taste and nutrition. They hope that by analysing the shopping habits of UK families, they can help to show where we can source the best and cheapest quality food.

The producers are currently on the lookout for fun and lively families who would love to save some money on their weekly shop and eat more healthily. If you're interested, please get in touch direct:

Tel: 0117 970 7698
Or e-mail: eatwell@rdftv.com
www.facebook.com/EatWellForLess
Twitter: @EatWellForLess



STARS OF THE WEEK



Hedgehog Class

Star of the week: Jessica for persevering with her writing and using a purple pen to improve it.

Friendship Star: Toby for helping the younger children in class

Purley Paragon: Lukas

Badger Class

Star of the week: Malakhai for working hard with his fractions

Friendship Star: Jessica for taking the time to explain to her partner how to put words into alphabetical order

Purley Paragon: Bailey

Owl Class

Star of the week: Lola G for persevering in Maths.

Friendship Star: Oscar for super encouragement to his friends when they were finding their learning difficult.

Purley Paragon: Brayden

Woodpecker Class

Star of the week: Teyah for her growth mindset, hard work and incredible progress.

Friendship Star: Ruby for being very caring and considerate for people across the school.

Purley Paragon: Evie

Delightful Diners: Jaime, Hayden, Jacob, Olly C, Henry, Frankie, Ellie, Iqra

HEDGEHOG CLASS



This week we have been shaking our bones doing a skeleton dance and listening to lots of Funnybones

stories. We even made up our own ending for The Pet Shop story, thinking about which pet skeleton would be perfect for the big and little skeletons' house. We have also been learning about Florence Nightingale, looking for clues to her character and life in her old photographs and finding information online. If you would like to create a photo of yourself as Florence Nightingale, follow the link – we would love to see your photos!
<https://www.purplemash.com/site#app/mashcam/florencemashcam>

Next week, we will be thinking about what we need to stay alive, writing our own Funnybones style story, and exploring music suitable for a recuperating patient. In maths we will be investigating sorting, sharing and multiplication. We will also be beginning to look at funny poems – if you have any favourites we would love to hear them.

Mrs Burton

BADGER CLASS



Badger class have been enjoying more of the "Happy Family" books and this week they planned and wrote their own stories. They thought carefully how to develop their ideas and use different adverbs of time to move their stories on. In history, they conducted their own research on the life and work of Florence Nightingale and teamed up with others to share what they had found out. Studying paintings of Florence Nightingale also allowed them to find out more about life in those days. Next week, the children will use their findings to write fact files about Florence Nightingale. In Maths, this week we have been exploring fractions of shapes - halves, quarters and thirds.

Thank you to Reverend Archer who visited the class and answered their questions about what it is like to lead a church and his role within the community. *Mrs Lyn-Jones*

OWL CLASS



Life as an Egyptian is starting to fill the air in Owl class. On Monday the children turned their hand to a spot of Egyptian dancing and we will continue to

perfect our moves over the next few weeks. We have explored where the Ancient Egyptians come within the wider world history timeline. Egyptian Pharaohs has inspired our art work. Review writing has been the focus in English, considering the difference between facts and opinions and what influence an opinion can have on the reader. In Maths, we have been looking at multiplication and using written methods. Next week we will be looking at mummification and pyramids.

A date for your diary: Owl class will be having an Egyptian Showcase on Wednesday 8th February at 2.30. We do hope you may be able to join us. *Mrs Pickering*

WOODPECKER CLASS



Woodpecker Class are finishing their study of Cloud Busting by Malorie Blackman in English and are writing up their favourite poems.

Mighty Mathematicians have been consolidating their understanding of 3D shape, and in particular polishing their vocabulary. Please ask them about edges, faces, vertices, prisms and pyramids. They have also been considering the area and perimeter of rectangles and are learning ways in which to calculate these.

Mega Mathematicians have been consolidating their understanding of quadrilaterals, their properties, and in particular, angles involved. In Science children have been researching naturalists David Attenborough and Jane Goodall. Next week, they will be naturalists themselves and will investigate the life-cycles of some animals other than mammals.

We have also held our hustings for school councillors this week. The children all worked incredibly hard and their presentations were very sophisticated. *Mrs Archer*

Diary Dates



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

08/02/17	Parents Evening, 3.30-6.00pm
08/02/17	Owl Class Egyptian Showcase, 2.30pm
09/02/17	Parents Evening, 6.00-8.00pm
10/02/17	End of Spring Term 1, 3.00pm
13/02/17-17/02/17	Half Term
20/02/17	Start of Spring Term 2
22/02/17	KS1 Road Safety Show
24/02/17	FOPS Quiz, The Barn, 7.30pm
02/03/17	World Book Day
30/03/17	Choir singing at the Anvil
07/04/17	End of Spring Term 2, 1.15pm
10/04/17-24/04/17	Easter Holidays
25/04/17	Start of Summer Term 1
01/05/17	Bank Holiday
03/05/17	Year 5 Denefield Roadshow @ Long Lane Primary School, 7-8pm
w/c 08.05.17	Year 2 SATS (for 3 weeks)
w/c 08.05.17	Year 6 SATS (for 1 week)
10/05/17	Year 5 Denefield Roadshow @ Denefield School, 7-8pm
26/05/17	End of Summer Term 1, 3.00pm
29/05/17-02/06/17	Half Term
05/06/17	Start of Summer Term 2
11/06/17	Tour de Purley
w/c 12.06.17	Year 1 Phonics (for 1 week)
21/07/17	End of Academic Year, 1.15pm
05/11/17	Fireworks Fiesta!

Don't forget to check all the dates listed in the school calendar on the front page of the school website <http://purleyprimaryschool.co.uk/>

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