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Friday Bulletin

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COLLECTIVE WORSHIP



In Collective Worship this week we looked at Christian baptism. To help us do this we looked at God's story in the Bible of John the Baptist. We learnt about Jesus own baptism in the River Jordan. I showed some pictures of what happens when an adult is baptised at St. Mary's and a baptism in the River Jordan today. We thought about the importance of baptism and the promises that parents make on behalf of their child at an infant baptism - of wanting to turn away from things that are wrong, of choosing to be a life-long follower of Jesus, and of becoming an active member of a local church. *Rev Archer*

FOPS UPDATE

Bags for Life: We still have a few bags for life left. Cost: £5 per bag. If you would like to purchase one, please let Mrs Ham know.

AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS

Confirmation of clubs is in your child's bookbag.

PE KITS



As the weather is getting colder, could you make sure that your child has named jogging bottoms in their PE kit at all times. Thank you.

DO YOU FANCY BEING A PUPPETEER?

Purley puppets is a group of young people who meet on Fridays from 6-7pm at St Mary's Church in Purley and use puppets to tell Bible

stories. We improvise our own interpretations of the stories, use our ideas to write scripts and make all our own scenery and props. Each term we aim to perform at least once. If you are interested in learning more, please email puppets@stmaryspurley.org.uk, or pop along to the church on a Friday evening and see what we're up to.

CHANNEL 4 PARENTING PROGRAMME

Liberty Bell is an independent television production company renowned for producing programmes such Kids With Cameras: Diary of a Children's Ward (ITV1) and Scrappers (BBC1). To find out more about Liberty Bell please visit our website www.libertybell.tv

We are currently producing a third series of Channel 4's The Three Day Nanny and we are inviting parents to apply to take part in the programme.

The Three Day Nanny is a six-part series for Channel 4, offering expert help to parents throughout the UK. The programme is fronted by childcare expert Kathryn Mewes. Kathryn has over 20 years' experience of working with children and families (14 Years as a Norland Nanny) and is a bestselling parenthood book author.

The show follows Kathryn as she offers to help families who are struggling with common parenting challenges. She deals with everything from fussy eating and toddler tantrums through to difficult bed time routines. Whatever the problem, Nanny Kathryn works closely with parents and children to offer bespoke trouble-shooting advice.

If anyone would like to know more about the show then please call 0207 598 7267 or email nanny@libertybell.tv

HELPERS NEEDED

Berkshire Scouts supports Scouting in more than a hundred communities across Berkshire providing fun, challenge and adventure for more than 8,500 young people age 6-25. The UK Scout Association is the UK's biggest mixed youth organisation (www.scouts.org.uk).

Locally, 1st Purley and Pangbourne Scout Group (www.1stpandp.org.uk) are looking for help with their hugely popular and ever expanding group. This group meets across multiple locations in Purley and Pangbourne and is active almost every night of the week! This gives plenty of opportunity to volunteer dependent on individual availability.

All our volunteering opportunities are flexible. Volunteers give as much or as little time as they can be it weekly, fortnightly, monthly or more occasionally. We can find convenient opportunities based on location, availability and preferences.

If you think you can support one of the local groups, please contact Betony Taylor, Local Development Officer, Berkshire Scouts
Email: betony.taylor@berkshirescouts.org.uk
Office 0118 978 8292, Mob: 07557 965 636.

VACANCY

We have a vacancy for a temporary Admin Assistant. Please see school website for details. Closing date is Monday 25th January at noon.

STARS OF THE WEEK



Hedgehog Class

Star of the week: Malakhai for improving his attitude to work.

Friendship Star: Jamie for helping several younger class members with making their rockets.

Purley Paragon: Daisy

Badger Class

Star of the week: Reid for trying hard to get started quickly and work with concentration

Friendship Star: Bailey for taking care of someone when they felt lonely

Purley Paragon: Brayden

Owl Class

Star of the week: Elizabeth for keeping focused and persevering with her problem solving

Friendship Star: Lola for helping others find equipment around the classroom

Purley Paragon: Niamh

Woodpecker Class

Star of the week: Dylan for his hard work and perseverance resulting in excellent progress.

Friendship Star: Natalia and Shannon for great working partnership

Purley Paragon: Madeline

Delightful dinners: Isabella, Emily, Jasmine, Ella, Abraham and Sydney.

HEDGEHOG CLASS



In English, the Foundation children in Hedgehog Class have been listening to rhyming stories and have been identifying rhyming words. They shared ideas with their learning partners and played some rhyming word games. All the children listened to a story about a little girl who went to the moon on a home-made rocket and the Y1 children then wrote their own middle and end of the story. All made rockets out of junk materials with some interesting designs and features.

In Science we looked at why we have seasons and identified the four seasons along with their characteristics. Y1 completed a seasons' wheel and made a model of the earth's rotation around the sun and Foundation participated in many puzzles, games and dressing up activities. The children discovered some ice hands and ice bottles outside which have now been frozen for four days! We are watching carefully to see if the temperature rises....

Mrs Carr

BADGER CLASS



This week in Badger class we have written our own space adventure stories with a beginning, middle and an end. We have tried to use different time words to move our stories on and use interesting adjectives to add description. We also worked hard on including connectives to join our sentences and make them more detailed. We have now all completed our space dioramas and they look great. We have designed aliens or rockets that will be made out of clay next week. In Maths we have been

working with multiplication and linking it to repeated addition.

Next week we are going to have a handwriting competition within the class so could all children please practise their handwriting skills over the weekend. *Mrs Lyn-Jones*

OWL CLASS



This week in English we have been looking at report writing with a focus on paragraphs and generalisation words; some, many, other, almost etc. We have also been thinking about tenses and changing present into past. On Wednesday, we started our maths focus on 'fabulous' fractions! We have identified the purpose of a denominator and finding $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{3}$ of a given shape or number. Next week we will continue to look at fractions counting in tenths and finding fractions of a set.

The children have had an introduction to computer coding, sending 'beebot' on an exploration of the galaxy. We have also researched British astronauts, Tim Peake and Helen Sharman and made fact files about them. Next week, we will be starting our art and DT project based around the work of Peter Thorpe. *Mrs Pickering*

WOODPECKER CLASS



We have been time-travelling, although not far, as we have researched the history of space travel. As we considered some of the catastrophic launches and malfunctions which have occurred in the pursuit of space exploration, we became increasingly aware of how incredible it is that Tim Peake and the crew of the ISS are working, and living their day-to-day lives up in space. In literacy we are looking at guide books and considering how to write a guide to the fictional resort, Astroland. We are continuing to strengthen our calculation skills in maths. Some mathematicians have been consolidating their subtraction techniques while others have been ordering and comparing increasingly complex fractions. *Mrs Archer*

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

10/02/16	Parents Evening (3.30-6.00)
11/02/16	Parents Evening (6.00-8.00)
12/02/16	End of Spring Term 1 at 3.00pm
15/02/16-19/02/16	Half Term
22/02/16	Start of Spring Term 2
25/02/16	Talent Show
03/03/16	World Book Day
23/03/16	Purley at the Palladium, 7.00pm (the Barn, Purley)
24/03/16	End of Spring Term 2 at 1.15pm
25/03/16-11/05/16	Easter Break
12/04/16	Start of Summer Term 1
15/05/16	Tour de Purley!
27/05/16	End of Summer Term 1 at 3.00pm
30/05/16-03/06/16	Half Term
06/06/16	Start of Summer Term 2
20/07/16	End of Academic Year at 1.15pm

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