



Purley CE Primary School

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Friday Bulletin

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PARENT EVENINGS

Confirmation of appointments is in your child's bookbag. A parental survey will be left in your child's tray for you to complete either while you wait or to return to school by Friday 26th February. We appreciate your views to help us celebrate our successes and identify areas we need to develop.



Recently staff at school received some training from the charity Place2Be, we are very grateful to Catherine Roche (Louis' mum) for taking part in a fundraising event to fund the training.

Below are some tips for parents to support their children build resilience to cope with difficult times. Every child and family's circumstances are different, but here are four simple tips that we hope you may find helpful to build your child's resilience:

- Let them know it is perfectly normal to feel upset or angry sometimes. As a parent, you can be an emotional role model for your children by showing them how to behave when you're frustrated or upset – although we know this isn't always easy!
- Make time for fun and "down time" with your children to help keep some balance. This is also a great opportunity to enjoy some time listening and playing with your child.
- Allow your child to learn from their own mistakes with support. Giving them age appropriate freedoms will help them learn their own limits, and show you trust them to make appropriate decisions.
- Get advice and support – if you're worried that something has changed with your child, talk to your GP or someone at your

child's school. There is also great advice available for parents online, for instance on MindEd (www.minded.org.uk).

PURLEY PRIMARY BAKE OFF Monday 22 February 2016



Anya, Evelyn, Elyssa, Evie, Elisabeth and Jasmine are organising a 'Bake Off' competition to raise money for a new school cooker. £1 to enter. There will be 3 categories: Parents/Carers, Children and Teachers. A medal and prize will be awarded to the winner. Cakes and cupcakes welcome. Cakes will be sold off after school.

Please bring your cakes and entry fee in to school on the morning of 22nd February (the first day back after half term). Judging will take place at lunchtime. Happy baking!

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS, FRIENDS, PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS AND NEIGHBOURS....



Tour de Purley Sunday 15th May 2016

Plans are well under way for our next Tour de Purley! We're looking for more volunteers to help with marshalling and setting up on the day. If you could spare some time or you know someone who can, please get in touch with Danni Tovey (danyellet511@gmail.com) or Anne Bolland (anne.bolland1@btinternet.com). Thank you for your support.

TALENT SHOW AND PURLEY AT THE PALLADIUM

All the children will have the opportunity of showcasing their many talents in our own school talent show on 24th February. We will then select some of the acts to take part in our 'Purley at the Palladium' alongside the school choir on Wednesday 23rd March at 6.30 pm at

the Barn. Tickets will be on sale after February half term. Proceeds will be used to fund the evening as well as funding other music opportunities.

SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS



As in previous years, we will be collecting the vouchers which will then be exchanged for

equipment for the school. Vouchers are being issued between now and 3rd May. **Please also ask family and friends to collect the vouchers.**

It's easy to collect vouchers for Active Kids 2016. Simply shop in Sainsbury's stores and online at sainsburys.co.uk and you will earn Active Kids vouchers on your shopping.

In Sainsbury's Locals, you will get one voucher for every £5 you spend. You'll notice these vouchers are larger than the ones you receive in Sainsbury's supermarkets and have a photograph on them.

In Sainsbury's Supermarkets you'll receive 1 voucher for every £10 you spend. So if you spend £40 you'll get four vouchers, but what's new is that they'll all be printed on one piece of paper. These vouchers are white and smaller in size, with no photograph on them.

Once you've collected your vouchers, please bring them to school and pop them in our collecting box which is located by the glass door in the back playground.

ACCESSIBILITY PLAN YEAR 4 AND 5 PARENTS

Please see below a message from Denefield School:

Denefield School is in the process of reviewing its Accessibility Plan which sets out the school's proposals to increase access to education for students with physical impairments in the three areas required by the planning duties in the Disability Discrimination Act:

1. Increasing access to the curriculum by increasing the extent to which students with physical impairments can participate in the school curriculum.
2. Improving the physical environment of the school to increase the extent to which students

with physical impairments and their parents and carers can take advantage of education and associated services.

3. Improving the provision of information to students with physical impairments and their parents and carers.

As part of the accessibility plan we are consulting with a range of stakeholders to evaluate how accessible the school curriculum and environment currently are and to assess what alterations may be needed to improve the accessibility to the curriculum and the school's building and facilities.

If you are a prospective parent of our school and would like to take part in the consultation, please complete the survey before the 12 February using the following link, <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/L3ZMGSY> or by visiting our website, www.denefield.org.uk and clicking the survey link for prospective parents.

GYM CLUB

Congratulations to Niamh, Teagan A, Nacho, Jaime, Somaya, Ruby, Anya, Elizabeth, Evie, Evelyn and Elyssa who have all passed their gym badges this term.

FACEBOOK

Reminder: don't forget, the PTA has set up their Facebook Page called Purley Church of England Primary School. Look out for updates about forthcoming events. Remember to share with friends.

STARS OF THE WEEK



Hedgehog Class

Star of the week: Daisy for working very hard on memory games

Friendship Star: Casey for playing kindly at playtime

Purley Paragon: Harry

Badger Class

Star of the week: Oscar for really challenging himself with his space report

Friendship Star: Bailey for supporting his friend with his writing in a caring way

Purley Paragon: Ben

Owl Class

Star of the week: James for continually persevering with his work even when he finds it difficult

Friendship Star: Gracie for helping lots of people within the classroom.

Purley Paragon: Anya

Woodpecker Class

Star of the week: Madeline for excellent self-motivation, great teamwork and outstanding maths.

Friendship Star: Callum for working well with any partner and for being nominated as one of the kindest children in Woodpecker Class.

Purley Paragon: Teyah

Delightful dinners: Jamie W, Toby, Jessica, Evelyn, Teyah and Callum

HEDGEHOG CLASS



All the children in Hedgehog class enjoyed watching 'The Cosmic Classroom' on Tuesday where different schools posed questions for Tim Peake live from the ISS. We did lots of exercises and then watched the difference when Tim did them in space! Following this, the foundation children drew and labelled pictures of Tim in his space suit. The Y1's worked hard on their non-fiction reports, writing lots of interesting space facts. All the children have tried hard to do their best handwriting for our class competition.

In Maths, the Y1's carried on with multiplication and the foundation children learnt about ordinal numbers. In Science, we looked at the length of day and night and the four seasons of the year. The children painted trees to show the seasonal difference, played games and completed puzzles. *Mrs Carr*

BADGER CLASS



This week in Badger class we have written detailed reports celebrating everything we have learnt about space. We included a heading, sub-headings, labelled diagrams and fact boxes. We tried to make our writing exciting for the reader and included questions. Then, with our learning partners we assessed our own work and gave each other feedback. We painted our clay alien models and they look amazing on display in the classroom. We joined

in with many schools across the country and linked up live with Tim Peake on the International Space Station. It was fascinating to hear him talk about his experiences and to watch him do some amazing tricks in space. We were given the challenge of sorting a set of aliens using a Carroll diagram. In Maths, we have also been exploring division through grouping into equal sets and we will continue to work on this next week. *Mrs Lyn-Jones*

OWL CLASS



This week we have continued with fractions in Maths. The children have been investigating how to find a fraction of a group of objects. I am sure the use of smarties was a great incentive for this one! Last week in Science the children looked at how fossils were formed and made some of their own. This week we were able to complete the fossil process, removing them from their cast moulds. On Tuesday afternoon we joined other schools across the UK to watch a live link to the ISS and an interview with Tim Peake. Tim showed the children how water molecules react differently in space, without gravity. He demonstrated how he could play ping-pong with two bats and a water bubble. Next week we will be writing an adventure story titled 'The day Tiger met the Aliens'. The children have been doing lots of preparation for this big writing activity over the last few weeks.

Mrs Pickering

WOODPECKER CLASS



Woodpecker Class had a smashing time on Wednesday afternoon - literally! We smashed plaster of paris rocks to find dinosaurs encased within and then examined the casts left behind. All this, to better understand the process of fossilisation. We then made fossils by pressing shells into plasticine and pouring pva glue in to take the shape from the indented cast. The class have been really creative with their writing this week and completed their guide-book entry for Astroland. In maths, some children have been solving complex puzzles and calculating missing angles, while others have been mastering short multiplication. Everyone has worked really hard. *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
24/02/16	Talent Show
03/03/16	World Book Day
23/03/16	Purley at the Palladium, 6.30 pm (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