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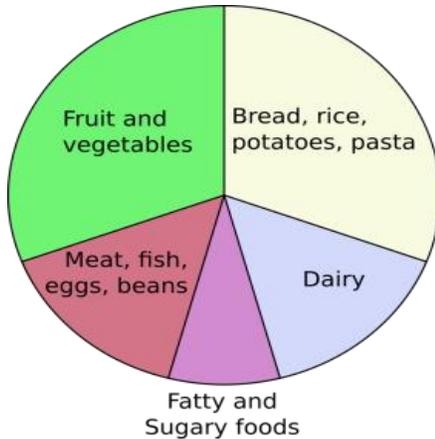
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Friday Bulletin

3rd March 2017



Lots about food this week as we launch our healthy lunches project. There is so much advice out there on what is good or not so good to eat! One thing however, is that everyone agrees that a good balance of food is essential, which is why we will be focussing on the Eatwell plate. We have already had positive feedback regarding the fridge magnet advice distributed before half term with suggestion of items for lunch boxes. Good luck with the challenge and is there a way you can bring the Eatwell principles into all your meals?

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week in our travels through the Bible, we read the story of Jesus in the Temple. It occurred when he was 12 years old. Every year, Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the Festival of the Passover. After the festival was over, while his parents were returning home, the boy Jesus stayed in Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it. When they realised, they began anxiously searching for him, and the story eventually ends well. It reminded us that Jesus was a child who grew up just like we all do. He had a family who worried about him, loved him very much, and cared about him being safe. We thought about what it is like to be 'lost' and to be 'found.' We thanked God for the people in our families who love us. We prayed for all children who don't have any family to care for them. *Rev Archer*

LET'S GET HEALTHY!

We are starting a new competition in school. Everybody will be given a Healthy Food Passport with four spaces ready to collect four stickers.

Each week we will have an area of the eatwell plate to focus on and during the lunch box check your child will be given that week's sticker if they have that week's focus item in their lunch box. We'll start next week by looking to see if the children have fruit and vegetables included in their lunch box. We've listed some great ideas to help you.

If your child has school dinners, they can still get their sticker if they eat the fruit and vegetables portion of their school dinner.

Your child won't need to take their passport into the hall, they can just put it on their jumper and stick it in their passport when they get back to class.

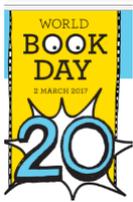
The checks will be done on a random day next week. This is totally voluntary. After the 4 weeks, the children who have managed to collect all 4 stickers, will receive a special prize.

Here are some ideas for how to include fruit and vegetables in your healthy lunchbox.

Any combination of: raisins, ready to eat dried apricots, dates or prunes.	Whole fruit - satsuma, apple, banana, pear, peach, plum, grapes
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	(whatever is in season)
Fruit salad pot - any combination of prepared fruit (strawberries, orange, melon, mango, kiwi etc.) or homemade apple sauce (you can add strawberry, peach, etc to it) or fruit jelly made with fruit pieces and pure fruit juice.	Salad pot - any combination of prepared raw vegetables (cucumber, pepper, celery, cherry tomatoes, carrot, mangetout, slices of avocado sprinkled with a little lemon juice etc.) or coleslaw
Try cutting fruit into chunks and threading it onto skewers or thin straws. Include dried fruit too - dried apricots in particular are rich in vitamins and minerals	Try different desserts, such as stewed fruit (without added sugar). You could add a spoonful or two of natural yoghurt to the fruit, or sprinkle some rolled oats and seeds on the top for extra crunch.

WORLD BOOK DAY



World Book Day was a great success this year and all the children had fun in school enjoying reading. The teachers started the day by going on a Reading Safari to read some of their favourite books to different classes. It was a total surprise to the children as to which teacher was going to visit them! Thank you to everyone that entered the WILD READING CHALLENGE - your photos are amazing and it will be an impossible task to select a winner. Luckily for us we have an independent judge who will have that difficult task and we shall keep you informed when a decision has been made. Some children were selected to go on a visit to WH Smiths in Pangbourne to exchange their £1 book tokens for a world book day book. Everyone else went home with their £1 book tokens yesterday to spend with their families.

The main aim of World Book Day is to promote a love of books and a passion for reading. What better way to do this than by joining your local library where there is a wealth of reading material to select from.

DIARY DATES



We have added some dates to both the list of events at the end of this newsletter and also on the electronic diary on the school website. The electronic diary is on the front page of the website as you scroll down to the end of the page. If you are using a mobile device, click on 'View full site' to see the calendar. Please keep checking these dates.

<http://purleyprimaryschool.co.uk/>

FOPS UPDATE

QUIZ – It was great to see so many of you last week. We made **£807** from the quiz. Thank you for your support.

PANTOMIME – The tickets have been ordered. We have made **£64.50** profit.

SCHOOL UNIFORM – Have you got unwanted school uniform that no longer fits? FOPS are setting up a second hand school uniform shop which will be open termly. The first shop will be open on Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th April. All proceeds will go towards the school and donations should be bought to school on the 3rd and 4th April.

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.

WOODLAND SCHOOL



The wet, cold conditions meant that the trees were too slippery to climb safely, but the children still found much to keep them busy. Sam and Ben spotted some chalk under the tree roots and, after mining some with sticks, they used it for mark-making. Frankie and Casey made a home for a rabbit, and then adapted it to encourage a squirrel to nest

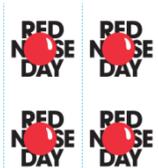
there too. Jaiden and Charlie worked well as a team to move a selection of logs to create a trail leading to 'X marks the spot', while Percy and Alfie tried to uncover the concrete bases, which were partially hidden by leaves and roots, to reveal their shapes.
Mrs Burton



ANOTHER PROUD MOMENT

I am often quite proud of the staff and children in the school. This week, our two KS2 teachers, along with their pupils, have been selected to take part in a JDO project (iPads). Only 6 teachers have been selected from the whole of the UK, and two of them from Purley School! They were nominated because of the excellent work and collaboration already achieved. Well done Mrs Archer and Mrs Pickering

RED NOSE DAY



We will be taking part in the Red Nose Day fundraising on **Friday 24th March** - £1 donation for wearing something red (non-uniform clothes for that day).

During the morning, we will be having a joke competition to 'make your laugh matter'.

EASTER PRODUCTION – OWL CLASS

Owl Class parents are invited to St Mary's Church to watch the children's Easter Production at 9.30 on Friday 7th April.

STARS OF THE WEEK 

Hedgehog Class

Star of the week: Lukas for solving the problem of runaway wheels by rolling them uphill instead of down

Friendship Star: Ollie for reminding his friends to use their kind hands

Purley Paragon: Macie

Badger Class

Star of the week: Ben S for coming in to school and settling to his work with such positivity.

Friendship Star: Milo for being a good friend to many children in the class

Purley Paragon: Sergio

Woodland Star: Jaiden for great teamwork and taking turns

Owl Class

Star of the week: Alice Barber for great application of maths skills.

Friendship Star: Lola M for being kind and helpful at breaktimes and in the classroom.

Purley Paragon: Oscar

Woodpecker Class

Star of the week: Nacho for working hard and being proactive in his learning.

Friendship Star: Natalia for great partnership work

Purley Paragon: Evie

Delightful Diners: Tanisha, Jack, Samuel W, Sydney, Abigail, Amy, Kira and Caitlin

HEDGEHOG CLASS



The children have been enjoying hearing a variety of dinosaur stories, learning dinosaur facts and finding out about when they roamed the Earth. They have been buying dinosaur masks and models from our dinosaur shop to use in their play, and they went on a hunt to find things that were alive or dead. The obstacle course outside has been extended and adapted as the children gain confidence in their creativity and balancing skills. They have been making up actions and using puppets to help them retell Where The Wild Things Are, and have used this book as

inspiration for their writing and artwork.
Mrs Burton

BADGER CLASS



Badger class have really been inspired by the topic of dinosaurs and many children are bringing in extra work that they have been doing at home to share with the class. It is lovely to see them so enthused about their learning! In PE we have been learning a dinosaur dance that is energetic and fun...the class have asked me to put the link on the newsletter so that they can practise more at home so here it is...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Imhi98dHa5w>

In English this week, we have planned and written some exciting adventures set in a world of dinosaurs. The children worked so hard on their stories and their writing targets and were very proud of themselves. We have started to learn about the different prehistoric periods and next week we will be making simple timelines to record some of the dinosaurs that ruled the land in those times and how the Earth itself changed. We have finished our clay dinosaur models and next week they will be ready for painting. In Maths, we have been continuing to investigate addition - the older children partitioning into hundreds, tens and units when adding 2 and 3 digit numbers. *Mrs Lyn-Jones*

OWL CLASS



We have had an exciting week in Owl class. On Monday, we had an amazing opportunity to hold a live link up with our partner school, Edgewood, in Madison, USA and the author Holly Webb. Holly read an extract from her new book (that has not yet been released!) to both schools. She took questions from both schools and explained what inspired her to write her stories. If you would like to watch the interview it can be reached via this link:

https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=KzOT_UhVRA&feature=youtu.be

In English, the children have continued to work on their oral storytelling of aboriginal stories and performed them to the rest of the class.

We have also been learning about the difference between a clause and a phrase and furthering our understanding of how to use inverted commas within a dialogue. In Maths, the spheres have been practising their column addition and subtraction skills and using them to solve word problems; the cubes have been investigating division through grouping and sharing.

To celebrate World Book Day, Owl class have started a Reading Around the World challenge. Each child has a reading passport and a map, they need to read stories from other countries/cultures and mark them off on the map. *Mrs Pickering*



WOODPECKER CLASS

This week, Woodpecker class have been investigating the sequence of events which pre-empted the Second World War. On Tuesday afternoon, the class walked to Denefield School where they were able to watch the school's musical production, Fame.

Maths has involved lots of fraction work, in particular, consolidating the ability to add and subtract fractions with different denominators. Nearly every child in the class learned a new KIRF skill last term and new KIRFS are in the process of being set - please help your child to practise theirs and maybe we can achieve 100% of the class passing their KIRF this term.

Our grammar focus this week has been using coordinating conjunctions in compound sentences: it would be very helpful to the children's learning if you could ask them to explain this to you (extra marks for any

children who remember FANBOYS!) Great fun was had on World Book Day with a Reading Safari, Oodles of Doodles book token challenge and the wonderful Extreme Reading challenge.

Mrs Archer

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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

03/03/17	KS1 Drama Workshop
08/03/17	Choir performance rehearsal at Calcot Junior School (am)
24/03/17	Red Nose Day
28/03/17	Class Photos
30/03/17	Choir singing at the Anvil
05/04/17	Second-hand uniform sale
06/04/17	
07/04/17	Easter Production (Owl Class) at St Mary's Church (parents invited)
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	Whole School Photo
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)
16/06/17	Sports Day (KS1 am, KS2 pm)
19/06/17	Year 2 interschool swimming gala
23/06/17	Sports Day Reserve Day
26/06/17	Year 2 final swimming lesson (parents invited to watch) 9.30-10.30
03/07/17 & 04/07/17	Year 3/4 Camping Trip to Rushall Farm (TBC)
13/07/17	Year 4/5 Legoland Trip (TBC)
21/07/17	Leavers' Assembly, 9.15am
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/>