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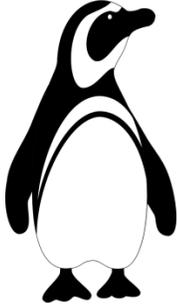
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Friday Bulletin

17th March 2017



Science Week!

We are so fortunate in our school to have a Science Expert on site - Mrs Jones. The quality of the science education provided is very high and I have heard quite a few children expressing an interest in becoming a Scientist. This week is Science week. Click on the link below for some interesting activities and competitions. The theme is change and there are activities ranging from changing colour to changing climate. This year, there is a plea to watch and count penguins from the comfort of your home - what fun! There is a link on the Science Week website

<https://www.britishecienceweek.org/plan-your-activities/activity-packs/>

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week in our journey through the Bible we reached the story of Jesus calling his special friends, or disciples. It involved an encounter with Peter - a fisherman - who having spent the entire night trying to catch fish without success, was amazed that with Jesus on board he caught an amazing catch of fish. Peter knew he had witnessed a miracle and so he began following Jesus and his life was changed forever! We talked, that although we cannot see Jesus today, Christians tell you they also follow Jesus, and knowing him changes their lives. *Rev Archer*

LET'S GET HEALTHY!

The focus next week will be **starchy carbohydrates** (bread, potatoes, rice, pasta). We've listed some great ideas to help you.

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 bread, rice, potatoes and pasta.	
Try all sorts of different breads including rolls,	REMEMBER: wholemeal and granary bread has a lot more goodness in the

flatbreads bagels and wraps.	then white bread.
Rice salads can be really tasty and a good way of using up cooked rice (but remember to store cooked rice in the fridge). Mix it up with vegetables, chopped fruit, raisins etc.	Couscous is very quick and easy to cook and also makes very good cold salads. 
Have you tried potato salad in your lunchbox? Cooked potatoes mixed with mayonnaise, yoghurt and herbs are delicious.	Cold pizza slices can be a great addition to a lunchbox. Even better if they are homemade pizza slices so you can control the amount of fat and salt. You might also want to add cooked meat like chopped ham or chicken.

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'.

VACANCY

Further to our communication about Afterschool Care provision, we're looking to recruit an Afterschool Care Club Leader for September 2017. Please see advert at the end of the newsletter.

Additional information including job description and person specification are on the school website:

<http://purleyprimaryschool.co.uk/current-job-vacancies.php>

If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

FOPS UPDATE

DATE FOR THE DIARY - Remember the TV game show 'Call my Bluff'? Well, FOPS are arranging a Wine Tasting Evening from 7.30pm-10.30pm on **Friday 12th May** at The Barn, Goosecroft Lane in the style of 'Call my Bluff'. Three 'experts' will describe each of the wines. Teams will then pick the definition which best describes the wine being tasted. The winning team will take home 6 bottles of wine.

Come along and enjoy a fun evening, tasting a selection of wines from around the world! No prior knowledge is required, just a liking of wine! **Form for tickets is attached.**

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.

CHOIR

There will be some additional Wednesday rehearsals leading up to the performance on

30th March. These rehearsals are for the movement/dance item.

22nd March and 29th March (3.00-3.45)

WOODLAND SCHOOL



This week Elm Group noticed that the woods were coming alive with sound and colour. Their hunt for signs of spring yielded purple flowers and yellow celandine growing low on the woodland floor, and Jaiden noticed birds with beaks full of twigs busily building in the trees. The children decided to make a new ladder and they tested branches to see if they were strong enough to take their weight, and measured the rope to tie them together.

Mrs Burton



STARS OF THE WEEK



Hedgehog Class

Star of the week: Davontay for always trying his best with English and phonics

Friendship Star: Casey for working well with her partners on the carpet

Purley Paragon: Darcy

Woodland Star: Frankie for her enthusiasm in studying the environment to see signs of spring

Badger Class

Star of the week: Ethan for making the most of his time in morning challenges

Friendship Star: Mia for always having kind

words for others

Purley Paragon: Alfie

Owl Class

Star of the week: Natalya for having a positive attitude towards new routines in her daily life.

Friendship Star: Leo for helping and supporting his learning partner in Science

Purley Paragon: Niamh

Woodpecker Class

Star of the week: Ella for greatly improved concentration and excellent progress

Friendship Star: Ronan for helping younger children play some games at lunchtime.

Purley Paragon: Jack

Delightful Diners: Bailey, Jaiden S, Callum, Freddie, Jessica HL, Hiba, Tiana and Alice Bodimeade.

HEDGEHOG CLASS



After listening to the story of Noah's Ark, the children demonstrated their creative skills as they retold the story through a variety of artwork and role-play. The children talked with their partners about the meaning of the story, and concluded that the 'bad people should have listened to God and then they would have been safe'. In Science, they were learning about how dinosaurs' teeth differed according to the foods they ate and the children explored how their own teeth are suitable for their healthy diet. The children have also been testing their fine motor skills with the 'One minute to pick up as many bits of spaghetti as you can with tweezers' challenge. They recorded and compared their results, and then tried again to improve their score.

Mrs Burton

BADGER CLASS



Badger class have been enjoying poetry this week and looking at how to write a successful poem. We worked with partners initially to gather and practise ideas and then had a go at writing our own Dinosaur poems. These were very successful and the children had great fun sharing them with their peers and giving each other feedback. As part of our History, we found out about the work of Mary Anning. The following

website is full of information for the children to explore further at home should they wish to do so:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/famouspeople/mary_anning/teachers_resources.shtml

There was a buzz of excitement in class on Tuesday afternoon as the children had their own dinosaur dig and worked like Mary Anning to chisel and tease out a buried, prehistoric creature! In Maths, we have been working with place value and sequencing numbers using the greater than and smaller than signs. Next week we will be looking at how to write a non-fiction report. *Mrs Lyn-Jones*

OWL CLASS



We ended last week with a virtual popcorn party with our friends in America to celebrate the completion of our reading challenge. We enjoyed reading the last chapter of our class story together.

This week, Owl class have been investigating mystery stories in English. They had the opening; "Ali stood silently, looking at the open door. With a slow creaking sound, it opened. Taking a deep breath, Ali walked inside ...". The children were then asked to create a picture of what they thought Ali would find. We had a large range of ideas spreading from candy land to haunted castles. Using the pictures as a stimulus, they then wrote the first chapter describing what they saw. We have also been looking at fronted adverbial. In Maths, the spheres have continued working on equivalent units of measure and have been applying their knowledge to solve word problems. The cubes have been investigating money and giving change. The children have all made weaving looms from cardboard and are now busy weaving prayer mats in the style of mats used by Muslims during prayer.

Next week we will be starting to work on our Easter production, please check you have the date and time in your diary!

Mrs Pickering

WOODPECKER CLASS



This week Woodpecker have been deepening their knowledge and understanding of what it might have been like in British towns (especially

London) during the blitz. We have been learning about spitfires and messerschmitts and the testosterone has been flying high (alongside the battle planes!). The topic has fully gripped the children's imaginations.

In Maths, children have been solving problems involving negative numbers and ratio and proportion. A few children have already passed their KIRF for the term: well done Anya and Evie and Ruby.

In Science, we have recapped on how flowering plants reproduce sexually, before going on to think about plants that have adapted to reproduce asexually. We looked at some bulbs and tubers and are now considering the advantages and disadvantages of a plant population that inherits its genetic characteristics from one parent, rather than two.

In RE, we have started to consider Easter, the resurrection and whether this is relevant for Christians today. *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

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), 9.30 am
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
12/05/17	FOPS Wine Tasting, 7.30pm @ The Barn
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 4/5 Camping Trip to Rushall Farm (TBC)
13/07/17	Year 3/4 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/>



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Required for September 2017

We are looking to appoint Afterschool Care Club Leader

Term time, 15 hours per week plus 1 hour Admin, 3pm – 6pm

- Are you fun, caring, enthusiastic and flexible?
- Are you able to deliver high quality childcare?
- Are you imaginative, creative and love working with children?
- Can you create a relaxed and sociable environment?

Then we might have the job for you!

We are looking to appoint an Afterschool Care Club Leader who will be responsible for providing a snack and suitable play activities for children aged 4 to 11.

Relevant qualification in childcare or playwork would be required with current Food Hygiene and First Aid Certificates desirable.

Pay Scale: D £16,772 pro rata

Closing Date: 1pm Tuesday 2nd May 2017

Interview Date: Monday 8th May 2017 1pm onwards

Further details are available from our website:

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or by contacting the school on 0118 9842384

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visits to the school are welcomed.

The school is committed to safeguarding the welfare of children and expects staff to share this commitment.