



Purley CE Primary School

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Friday Bulletin

15th April 2016

New term, new challenges. Another exciting term ahead of us. The children have already settled into the new term and this morning Badger and Hedgehog class children experienced a lesson in a Victorian school! We have some events coming up where we get together with other schools. This month we have an Arts Festival where some of the choir will be singing at the Corn Exchange in Newbury and a Football tournament where we will play against other small school in West Berkshire. We will also be taking part in a chess tournament and hosting a swimming gala before the Summer holidays.

TOUR DE PURLEY, Sunday 15 May 2016

Don't forget to register for our next Tour de Purley on 15th May www.tourdepurley.org. It would really help us enormously to know in advance who is taking part so we can make sure we have enough food for everyone.....and it's cheaper if you register in advance (see the fees section below). We are also holding this year's school fete in Bucknells Meadow from 11am to 3pm, with many children's activities and fun for all the family to enjoy including tombola, tattoos, nerf gun game, football game, nail painting, hook-a-duck, raffle auction, coconut shy and lucky dip. Food on offer will be burgers, hotdogs, samosas and vegetarian versions plus tea, coffee, soft drinks and cakes.

Participants (both young and old!) are encouraged to raise sponsorship. Everyone is welcome with 4 cycle routes of varying lengths to suit all abilities and ages, and new this year by popular demand is a short scooter challenge for the little ones! The Tour de Purley is organised by a **small group of dedicated, hard-working, well-dressed and devilishly good-looking volunteers**. If you have any questions please email info@tourdepurley.org or visit www.tourdepurley.org Go on, get on your bike!

Routes: there will be plenty of choice, with 4 routes of varying lengths available.

- Kids Loop & Scooter Challenge - A very short and easy ride within Purley for younger cycle and scooter riders
- 5 Miles - A leisurely jaunt of just over 5 miles, aimed at families and beginners
- 15 Miles - Long enough to really stretch your legs and take in some picturesque Berkshire countryside
- 30 Miles - For the more adventurous and the serious cyclists. 30 miles of glorious, scenic West Berks and South Oxfordshire roads and lanes
- 60 Miles - Still feeling fresh after 30 miles? Go round again and see if a little familiarity will improve your Strava segments

Schedule:

08:30 - Registration opens for longer routes
09:00 - First riders set off
11:00 - Stalls & activities open
11:30 - Registration opens for kids loops
12:00 - Short ride begins

Fees:

Website prices are £5:00 for kids and £7:50 for adults.

Prices on the day will be £7:50 for kids and £10:00 for adults, so don't delay, book it today!

A family ticket admits two adults and up to three children and is £15:00 now or £20:00 on the day.

NSPCC



Another new total update: **£1339.96!** Thank you to Dugald and Jamie for raising £335. Well done.

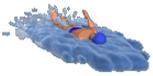
STAFF NEWS

Sadly, Mr Gibbens is leaving us this week. The children have really enjoyed his lunchtime clubs and PE lessons. We wish him all the best for the future.

YEAR 1 WOODLAND SCHOOL

The sessions will resume on Monday 18th April at Basildon Park.

YEAR 2 SWIMMING



The swimming lessons will start again on Monday morning. The children will leave school at 10.00 am.

CHOIR

Choir is restarting on Monday (3.00-3.30). New children are welcome to join. Please let Mrs Ham know.

HEXAGON TICKETS

Reminder – if you'd still like tickets for either Dirty Dancing or George's Marvellous Medicine, please return your forms by Friday 22nd April at the latest. Thank you.

BRAND NEW SPANISH CLUB!



Our after-school Spanish club starts on Wednesday, 4th May and will be running for 10 sessions this term from 3.00-4.00 pm. Booking forms are available from

the school office.

STARS OF THE WEEK



Hedgehog Class

Star of the week: Harry for making great strides with his phonics and high frequency words

Friendship Star: Malakhai for helping the teachers tidy up the garden and for generally helping classmates

Purley Paragon: Chloe

Badger Class

Star of the week: Alfie for trying so hard with his writing this week

Friendship Star: Olly for being a helpful member of the class

Paragon: Cypher

Owl Class

Star of the week: Lola for excellent contributions in English.

Friendship Star: Corey for helping his friends use their iPads

Purley Paragon: Ryan

Woodpecker Class

Star of the week: Erika for excellent homework over the Easter break and for hard work this week.

Friendship Star: Jamie for encouraging words and kind actions to other children in the class

Purley Paragon: Nathan

HEDGEHOG CLASS



The children in Hedgehog class have been exploring our new topic "Please Miss" through video clips, pictures, hot seating and our entry point Victorian morning. They had fun pretending to be Victorian children sitting in rows practising their handwriting, drills and having a hand inspection! They also learned about our own Victorian school building and compared the old features with more modern parts of the school. The children dressed up in Victorian costumes and had to look very serious for their photographs in true Victorian fashion. They will be making photograph frames for their photos in Art next week. In PE, we have started learning to skip and learning old skipping rhymes. Mrs Carr

BADGER CLASS



Badger class have had a very busy and exciting first week back at school. We have enjoyed starting

our new topic "Please Miss" and some children are already bringing in homework to extend their learning. There are lots of interesting writing templates on My Learning - purple mash and all sorts of interesting activities and facts on

http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/victorian_britain/children_at_school/

The children were fascinated to discover that Purley is a Victorian school and worked well as History detectives searching for Victorian clues in our old school building. We made detailed sketches of the school using charcoal and looked in non fiction books to research what it was like to attend school as a Victorian pupil. Today, the children took part in a Victorian school morning, where we experienced life in a Victorian school at first hand through drama. The children participated fully in the role play and have learnt so much already. In Maths, this week we have continued to learn to tell the time.

Next week we will be writing recounts of our Victorian morning. *Mrs Lyn-Jones*

OWL CLASS



The children have had a very exciting start to the summer term! Each child has now been issued with their own iPad as part of our project with the American school. The children enjoyed sending emails to each other and to me! They have experimented with the camera and had fun with selfies. In preparation of using our iPads to communicate with others we have also been thinking about keeping safe on the internet! In English, the children have written recounts of what they did during the holidays and have been self-editing them to improve their work. Money is the focus in Maths for this week and next. We have recapped on coin recognition, converting £ to p and vice versa and adding amounts. Next week we will be looking at giving change and problems involving money.

Next Monday we will be returning to Rushall farm, all children had a letter in their book bags advising what to wear and which dates they will be visiting the farm. *Mrs Pickering*

WOODPECKER CLASS



Wonderful to have the children back and looking much refreshed after

their Easter Break. I hope you've all had a good break too.

This term is very much split and the focus for the first part of the term is very much our Earth Day project in collaboration with Annunciation Catholic School in Denver.

Both schools are considering global environmental issues and children are investigating ways in which we are adding to the problem and researching possible solutions. This week, each child has been given a partner from Annunciation School and they are attempting to email each other.

In English, we have been finding out about what makes news and how a news broadcast is put together. The online homework was great and I have loved being able to see children's writing develop as they have shared stories with myself and with each other.

In Maths, some children are learning about the properties of 2D shape (which ones have right angles, symmetry, parallel lines etc) and trying to commit the names of 6 quadrilaterals to memory. Please ask your child if they can describe a square, rectangle, rhombus, parallelogram, kite and trapezium to you, using the terms parallel lines, symmetry and right angles. The MyMaths weekly homework will always be online by the weekend and is now compulsory for all children across the school. Please remind children to check their MyMaths homework at the weekend. *Mrs Archer*

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

21/04/16	Maths Information session, 2.30 pm & 6.30 pm
21/04/16	JDO Information session, 7.00 pm
27/04/16	Choir at Corn Exchange
28/04/16	Chess Tournament
15/05/16	Tour de Purley
27/05/16	End of Summer Term 1 at 3.00 pm
30/05/16-03/06/16	Half Term
06/06/16	Start of Summer Term 2
17/06/16	Sports Day
20/07/16	End of Academic Year at 1.15 pm
03/11/16	Fireworks Fiesta!

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