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Friday Bulletin



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Tour de Purley, Sunday 27th April 2014

<http://www.tourdepurley.org>

There's still time to register for the Tour de Purley! You can also register on the day....just come along to Bucknell Meadows from 8.30 for the 9 and 25 mile rides and from 11.30 for the short ride.

There are 3 routes to choose from.

Route 1 - The route is a simple ride round the block, starting near the middle of Wintringham Way and turning into Colyton Way, Brading Way, Chestnut Grove and back into Wintringham Way to finish at Bucknells Meadow.

Route 2 - A leisurely foray of just under 9 miles aimed at older children and the intermediate and occasional riders among us.

Route 3 - A longer, yet still very manageable 25.5 mile loop for the more intrepid and ambitious

Schedule

08:30 - Registration opens for 9 and 25 mile rides / 09:00 - First riders set off

11:00 - Registration closes for 9 and 25 mile rides / 11:30 - Registration opens for short ride

12:00 - Short ride begins

There will be a medal ceremony between 1 and 1.30pm when all the children who took part will receive a medal!

There will also be a raffle...prizes include Afternoon Tea for 2 at Regency Park Hotel Thatcham, 5 tickets Delta Force (Paintball) worth £100 each ticket and many more. Please see the full list displayed at school. Raffle ticket will cost £1 each.

OWL CLASS



In Numeracy the Year 2 children worked on their 2x tables and they applied their skills into problem solving activities. They looked at rounding 2 digit numbers to the nearest 10 and 3 digit numbers to the nearest 10 or 100.

The Year 3 children worked on a commutative law solving mathematical

problems involving 4 and 5 x tables and division with remainders. They consolidated their understanding of multiplication being the inverse of division and used this to solve number problems. They explored how to multiply by 10 looking at how the place value changes.

In Literacy we have been looking at how to write an exciting beginning to a story that hooks the reader. We found out about why we celebrate St George's Day and made posters to show what we had learnt. Through

discussion we explored the qualities of St George and tried to find some open ended questions that arose from the discussion.

We also began to listen to the rainforest sounds, thinking about how it makes us feel, what we can see, hear and what adventures may occur.

HEDGEHOG CLASS



It was lovely to see the children back and energised after their Easter break. We shared all our news (and haircuts) with the class during circle time. Our challenge was to draw or write a sentence about our Easter holidays during independent learning. It was clear that they have been working hard on their writing. The children remembered to sound out in order to spell words when spelling and some remembered to use a capital letter and full stop.

Before the Easter holidays, the children enjoyed any activity that involved using water and getting messy outside! We therefore decided to focus our learning this week on all things water related. We have recapped the language of capacity in maths. We experimented with filling different containers and using the lines on measuring jugs to work out how many millilitres they held. We were able to estimate how many more millilitres of water we would need to make it a litre. We listened to the story 'Commotion in the ocean' which is a lovely rhyming story about all the creatures that live in water. We listened to lots of nursery rhymes and practised a nursery rhyme to recite to the class off by heart. Please ask your child to tell you one of them!

In dance we performed a short piece which was set on a beach, with some relaxing music which the children worked with a partner to create suitable movements to.

We thought about the different uses of water and the need to use clean water to drink and wash in. We have been using the dolls to give them baths and dress them. We created our own pond with twigs and mini beasts. Today we created our own water scene from the craft materials. Examples included a harbour scene as we read 'The Lighthouse keeper's lunch' as well as beach scenes with shells and underwater scenes with treasure chests and shipwrecks.

BADGER CLASS



The children have been working really hard this week; I do hope there are not too many tired children!

In Literacy the children are looking at traditional tales and the special features that appear in them. I am sure the children could tell you how most start and finish and the type of characters they have in them. They were all very good story detectives at the beginning on the week. The main tale we are focusing in is Jack and the Beanstalk. This week the children have been thinking about writing the settings that appear in the story. In numeracy they have been exploring how digits in a number represent different values: hundreds, tens and units. In numeracy, they also have been learning about halves and quarters of shapes and numbers.

Our topic for this term is "The Rainforest." With this in mind, we have discussed why they are called rain forests and why they are important to the ecology of the Earth. We investigated the world by using globes and atlases and identified where the rainforests are located. The children linked the location of the rainforests to the different type of climate.

In P.E, our Year 1 children are putting the ball skills they were learning last term into practice, together with developing team game skills playing bench ball! I am sure they will soon realise they need to pass the ball to other team members to score goals!

STARS OF THE WEEK



Hedgehog Class

Star of the Week: Olly for remembering that we need to use a full stop at the end of a sentence.

Friendship Star: Lola for being a good partner in dance and demonstrating moves to others.

Badger Class

Star of the Week: Somaya for trying really hard with her writing.

Friendship Star: Rosemary for being so kind to a friend in distress and doing her best to look after them.

Owl Class

Star of the week: Nacho for making a beautiful poster about St George's Day.

Friendship Star: Natalia for helping her friend to practise her maths targets.



Delightful Diners: Tyreese, Ryan, Jasmine, Lola M, Jaime, Jacob, Elyssa, Anya

PE KIT - Reminder

Could you also make sure that your child has his/her PE kit in school every day. We will be using the field next term so **trainers and spare socks** are advisable. Thank you.

TOP TIPS OF THE WEEK!



Broken record technique Method

Are you fed up of your child asking for the same thing many times despite being told no? When the other person repeats their request to you, simply repeat the same words of refusal. You may have to do this a number of times, but eventually they will get the message.

Example

No, it is too late

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You can add other words of acknowledgement,

No, I know you want to go, but it is too late...No, it is too late...

No we are not having chips tonight..... I know you like chips but we are not having chips tonight

When you repeat the same words, the pattern-recognition ability of the brain eventually notices that something is being repeated here and the other person starts to take notice of what you are saying. When they realise they are bashing their head against a brick wall, they will eventually give up and it will save the escalation of the argument – (hopefully!)

FOREST SCHOOL

Birch and Oak will start their forest school sessions next week on Wednesdays.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS – YEAR 1, 2 & 3

Gym Club will start next Monday and Cricket

will start next Wednesday. Please return all the forms and money by Monday at the latest please.

Cheerleading will start on 6th June.

FOPS – WINE TASTING



FOPS wine tasting event is taking place on Friday 16th May, 7.30-10.30pm at the Barn. Come along and enjoy a fun evening tasting a selection of wines from around the world. In the style of 'Call my Bluff', three 'experts' will describe each of 8 wines. Your team picks which of A, B or C best describes the wine to try to win. To reserve a table, please email FOPS (Askfops@gmail.com)

STAFF NEWS

We are pleased to announce that Mr Paul Barker has been appointed as our new caretaker.

PURLEY PRE-SCHOOL

Purley Pre-School are having a table top sale on 3rd May (10.00 – 12.00) at the Purley Memorial Hall

PURLEY IN THE PARK

Saturday 14th June
Bucknell Meadows

Don't forget to put the date in your diary!

OPEN DOOR

As always, please remember our doors are open, should you wish to discuss any concerns, ask questions or celebrate successes regarding your children.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

27/04/14	Tour de Purley Bike Ride
01/05/14	Foundation Open Morning (8.50-9.15)
05/05/14	Bank Holiday
16/05/14	FOPS Wine Tasting
26/05-30/05	Half Term
02/06/14	Start of Summer Term 2
04/06/14	Foundation Open Morning (8.50-9.15)
14/06/14	Purley in the Park
01/07/14	Year 2 Swimming Gala (am)
01/07/14	Foundation Open Morning (8.50-9.15)
07/07/14	Sports Day (am)
16/07/14	Open Afternoon
18/07/14	End of Year Assembly (Year 2 & 3) 9.30 am
23/07/14	End of Academic Year at 1.15 pm

Please note: further details will be sent out nearer the time of events and some dates may change though we will try and avoid this.

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