



## Purley CE Primary School

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# Friday Bulletin

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Children receiving feedback at the Corn Exchange

On Wednesday this week the choir and violinists took part in an Arts festival at the Corn Exchange in Newbury and both items were complimented by the Arts mentors. I was again very proud of them. On Thursday for the first time, children at the school took part in an inter-school chess competition. The chess club has only been running for half a term and the children held their own at a very tense tournament! Thank you to the parents that support the school with such events, preparing their children and providing transport. We would not be able to take part in so many exciting opportunities without this

support. There is mounting excitement at the school regarding the Tour de Purley with children discussing which ride they will be doing.

## TOUR DE PURLEY AND SCHOOL FETE Sunday 15 May 2016

Only 2 weeks to go to the third Tour de Purley ([www.tourdepurley.org](http://www.tourdepurley.org)) and this year's school fete. FOPS have all been working hard organising the event and now we need your help with donations for our tombola, chocolate, cakes, filled Lucky Dip bags and an hour of you time to help on a stall.

Each Friday, there is a donation box outside school.

**Today (29<sup>th</sup>) is Bottles - any bottle you like - wine, beer, bubble bath, lemonade....**

**Next week (6<sup>th</sup>) is Lucky Dip bag returns**

**Final week (13<sup>th</sup>) is chocolate or cakes (home-made or bought)**

Members of the FOPS team will also be in the playground encouraging parents to sign up for an hour to help on a stall. A rota will be up on the notice board outside school so please spare a bit of time and help out.

This year we have:

Raffle, Auction, Bottle tombola, children's tombola, chocolate tombola, football game, coconut shy, nail painting, tattoos and face painting, hook-a-duck, adopt a duck, nerf gun game, Lucky Dip and several external stalls.

There will be food available from 8:30am with pastries for breakfast before you cycle then burgers, hotdogs and samosas for lunch including plenty of vegetarian options. We will also have a cake stall and tea/coffee and soft drinks.

So bring along your family and friends to Bucknells Meadow; Cycling starts at 8:30am for the longer 5, 15 and 30 mile courses and at 11:30am for the kids loop. All stalls are open from 11am.

See you there!!!!  
FOPS Committee

## SAINSBURYS ACTIVE KIDS

### LAST CHANCE TO COLLECT VOUCHERS

There are just a few days left to collect your Active Kids vouchers. The last day to collect vouchers in store is 3 May. Help collect as many vouchers as possible so we can give the children some fantastic new equipment and experiences. Find out more about Active Kids at [activekids.sainsburys.co.uk](http://activekids.sainsburys.co.uk)

## WOODLAND SCHOOL



Another dry morning at Basildon Park. Thankfully the weatherman was wrong! An industrious morning of climbing, constructing and collaboration amongst the children. We made weavings and catapults whilst others did leaf rubbings. *Mrs Herbert*



## NEW ELECTRONIC DIARY!

We've added a brand new electronic diary on the front page of our school website ([www.purleyprimarieschool.co.uk](http://www.purleyprimarieschool.co.uk)). We have listed term dates, clubs, woodland school visits etc. They are different views available (week, month or agenda). The calendar can also be

printed or added to your own google calendar. This calendar is updated regularly so please keep checking. If you think an event that has been omitted, please let Mrs Ham know. We hope that this new facility will help you keep track of school activities.

## AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS

A list of afterschool clubs for the Summer Term is in your child's bookbag.

## PURLEY CRICKET CLUB

Purley on Thames Cricket Club has spaces for 5-7 year old Starters (boys or girls) on a Tuesday evening from 6.30-7.30pm at Goosecroft Recreation Ground. Cost £25 for the cricket season. Any queries, please contact Martin Bishop on 07903831808.

## STARS OF THE WEEK



### Hedgehog Class

**Star of the week:** Samuel for super reading and writing

**Friendship Star:** Daisy for organising a game with a group of children.

**Purley Paragon:** Sergio

**Woodland Star:** Malakhai for producing a lovely weaving using different strings and wools.

### Badger Class

**Star of the week:** Lola for taking such care with her still like art work

**Friendship Star:** Alice for teaching 2 members of the class how to improve their art work in a supportive way

**Paragon:** Jessica

### Owl Class

**Star of the week:** Emily was so keen to solve her maths puzzle involving coins and bags that she finished it home in her own time and then emailed Mrs Pickering her answer!

**Friendship Star:** Jasmine, for making sure that everyone is included in games and activities, both in class and at break time.

**Purley Paragon:** Evelyn

### Woodpecker Class

**Star of the week:** Shannon, who works extremely hard in class and who will often request extra work too.

**Friendship Star:** Madeline, who is always willing to help other children, both in class and in the playground.

**Purley Paragon:** Callum

**Delightful diners:** Iqra, Chloe, Daisy, Oscar, Louis, Ollie

## HEDGEHOG CLASS



In Hedgehog Class this week, we have been looking at pictures of an old Victorian schoolroom and have been gathering ideas for our writing. The children talked about Victorian classroom and Victorian punishments with their learning partners and the Y1 went on to write sentences using interesting adjectives. In Maths, the Y1 children have been learning about the difference between two numbers and all the class have had an introduction to odd and even numbers. In Science, we looked at Victorian artefacts, the materials they were made from and about the life of John Dunlop and the pneumatic tyre. We were able to dodge the showers and go outside for PE where everyone tried hard with their skipping. We have also started country dancing, counting the steps and working with a partner. In Art, the children thought carefully about a design for a birthday card for the Queen's 90th birthday and completed their work for a competition. *Mrs Carr*

## BADGER CLASS



Badger class have been writing explanations this week and thinking about word types: nouns, adjectives, verbs and adverbs. They have tried really hard to include these different types of words in their sentences to make them more interesting to read. We researched more about Victorian schools and wrote explanations about how Victorian children may have been punished in school. We also looked at how glossaries are used in non fiction and wrote our own glossaries linked to Victorian school punishments. In art we have been looking at still life and making detailed sketches. The children are very proud of their observational drawings and really challenged themselves to improve their ability to observe and record what they see. In science the class looked at identifying materials old and new and describing their properties. In maths we have been learning how to find the difference between 2 numbers by counting on from the

smaller number. Next week we will be looking at traditional stories. *Mrs Lyn-Jones*

## OWL CLASS



This week in Owl class we have started thinking about this terms topic; 'what's inside me?' The children have had great fun making life-size skeletons of themselves. They had to measure all the different parts their body and then cut corresponding strips from paper to construct a skeleton. You may have noticed them hanging in our class window.

In English, we have started to look at adding quotations to explanation texts and creating a bank of alternative words to 'said'. In Maths, the children have consolidated their learning about money by solving some problems and puzzles. We are now moving on to division. This week we have been refreshing ourselves with what division means and dividing 2 digit numbers by a digit number using array and knowledge of times table. Next week we will be moving on to using the formal written method for short division, often referred to as the bus-stop method.

The children are doing exceptionally well with their violins and have now progressed to using the bow. I am sure we may be able to give you a short concert before the end of the academic year. *Mrs Pickering*

## WOODPECKER CLASS



Woodpecker Class have been finalising their JDO video projects and researching aspects of our impact on the world around us. We have learnt about climate change and have considered ways in which we can help reverse the problem.

In Science, we have continued to learn about our bodies and what makes them healthy.

Some mathematicians have been investigating fraction problems whilst others have been learning how to calculate the area and perimeter of different 2D shapes. The times tables focus is still the 6 times table - please do encourage children to practice their 6 times tables whilst still remember to practice 1-5 times tables too.

Our English work this term involves the convicted Dr X. We have been commissioned to argue his innocence and the children have been reading witness statements to help them prepare their case.

The children have enjoyed another excellent tennis lesson in PE and will have cricket next week. *Mrs Archer*

## WE NEED YOU!

We are so pleased and proud that as a small school we are able to offer so many opportunities. This is only possible if we are supported by FOPS. Please sign up for a slot to help on the day of the Tour de Purley. I realise you all have children to look after and would be grateful if you help each other so that you could be released to help on a stall. It would be a great shame if these events could not be organised and we would need to curtail what the school can offer.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

15/05/16	Tour de Purley & School Fete
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 <b>1.15 pm</b>
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](mailto:headteacher@purley.w-berks.sch.uk)

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**Learn to Love, Love to Learn**