



Purley CE Primary School

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Friday Bulletin

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This week was SATs week for Year 6 and Year 2. Year 2 will continue next week. Thank you to parents and staff who have supported the children to get ready for these tests both emotionally and academically. It is a pleasure to see how well the children support each other and the way they are taking responsibility for their own progress and developing good studying skills. They are now ready for some down time and what better activity than to take part in Tour de Purley on Sunday!

We are so proud of our pupils who are showing such perseverance and resilience. We know that our pupils are more than a test score and we pride ourselves at developing the whole child who value the care, guidance and education they receive at Purley School.

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

Dare To Do What's Right!

In our society, being different is not something that is often viewed as being right. So when we opened the Bible and shared the story of Ruth, we were a tad surprised. Ruth dared to be caring and stayed with her mother in law, Naomi and she moved to Bethlehem with her. There, Ruth knew no one and being different, found it hard to get a job. So she collected leftover grain so she could care for Naomi. When reading the story on, we discover that everything works out well for Ruth. It made us wonder what amazing things we might achieve for those we love and those we see in need. It doesn't have to be big, but if we all dared to do what's right, what would our world be like...

Pam Slingsby, Foundation Governor

WEEK 6 – TALK HOMEWORK

Baa baa black sheep have you any wool? What will the little boy do with the wool?

FOPS

Tour De Purley: Sunday 19th May

It's Tour de Purley this weekend and we are looking forward to seeing as many of you there as we can. Please keep signing up and you can also pay online.

There will be lots of food, drinks, turbo trainer and colouring. If you can't cycle we would love you to come out and support.

More info on our website:

www.tourdepurley.co.uk

Justgiving page:

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/tourdepurley>

Summer Fete: Saturday 29th June

We're all getting excited for the Summer Fete on 29th June 11am - 2pm - make sure the date is in your diaries!

We have already received some fabulous prizes for the raffle and auction of promises but would still love to hear from you if you would like to make a donation. Please email us on askfops@gmail.com.

Sports Day: Friday 5th July

Don't forget that house points will be up for grabs in exchange for any stall contributions on the following dates:

- 22rd/23rd May - Chocolate and sweets for a variety of stalls ****next Wednesday and Thursday****
- 5th/6th June - Bottles of bubbles/bath stuff or drinks for the bottle tombola
- 13th/14th June - Nearly new toys & games
- 19th/20th June - Lucky dip prizes
- 28th June - Cake donations

And this year we're encouraging you to dress up and take part in our 'Parade of Purley P's'- we're promising prizes so let's get planning..! :)

Thank you so much for your support, we can't wait to see you there!

NEW! Crisp packet recycling scheme

As of Monday 20th there will be a box in school to recycle crisp packets. Please ask friends, family and fellow villagers if they would like to assist too. Once the box is full we send them off and TerraCycle will then donate money to the school!

It will teach our children about recycling while raising money. Once we get the hang of crisp packets we hope to move onto additional items



We are looking for a couple of people to help with refreshments on sports day please.

Key stage 1 in the morning and key stage 2 in the afternoon. It will just be setting up and making drinks. Please let Danni know. Thank you

WOODLAND SCHOOL - HEDGEHOG



Last week's rain meant lots of the logs were very damp and Freya, Phoebe Tovey and Poppy used sticks and fingers to examine the soft, spongy texture of the wood.

They also watched a wasp gathering wood pulp for its nest. Esme, Margaux, Cora and Phoebe Tigwell examined a range of insects with magnifying glasses and checked in the information books to see what they were called. Harry, Harry, Jacob and Zara made a dam on the ball run and watched to see what happened to the ball as it ran down the pipe. They altered the dam by adding leaves and twigs to see if anything changed. Phoebe Tovey gave her friends instructions on how to exercise with sticks. "Twenty seconds with your stick in front, 30 seconds with it behind you, and 10 seconds holding it up in the air."

Meanwhile Samuel and Casey used a range of sticks to hit different trees and branches, listening to the different sounds they made. The morning seemed to pass so quickly!

Although it was a beautiful, sunny morning, it was still a bit chilly and damp in the shade of the trees so we ask that children bring a waterproof jacket and wellies each week. Too many layers are better than too few! We would also ask that all children bring their plastic water bottles to the woods, as exploring can be thirsty work.
Mrs Burton





volunteer can be found on their website:
www.home-startwestberks.org.uk

END OF TERM - REMINDER

Summer Term 1 finishes at 3.00 pm on **Thursday 23rd May 2019**. The children will return to school on Monday 3rd June.

VACANCIES

We have 3 vacancies for September. Please look at the school website for further details. Deadline for application is 12.00 noon on Monday 3rd June.

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

If you would like hard copies of the information, please get in touch with the office.

HOME START

Home-Start West Berkshire supports families with young children with difficulties such as isolation, poverty, mental health and physical illness. They can only continue to do this work through the amazing support of their volunteers. Home-Start West Berkshire has a growing list of families waiting for support.

Due to the level of demand they are running an additional training course to recruit more volunteers to meet the need. Their volunteers, parents themselves, become a trusted friend and mentor to the family, offer support, guidance and practical assistance to parents experiencing hardship. They are looking for volunteers who can spare 3 hours a week and who are organised, calm and caring. The next training course runs from Monday 17th June for 6 consecutive Mondays from 9.30-14.30pm. If you are interested or would you like to discuss this further please contact us then on 01635 760310 or email office@home-startwb.org.uk More information on the charity and becoming a

HEDGEHOG CLASS



Fairy Buttercup had to fly back home to her family this week, but she left some bits and bobs for the children to make some fairy friends for her to meet next time she visits. The children also made some delicious fairy cakes, and they created a class graph to help them find out which was the most popular topping.

A series of very funny pictures inspired our writing this week...the children couldn't decide why the frog wanted to sit on top of a snail or who lived behind the fairy door! Our music time on a Friday is becoming very tuneful now as the children are getting more proficient at finding and playing the chosen notes on the glockenspiels – it's great fun being able to all play along together!

The children are very excited that it is our class leading collective worship on Wednesday and next week they will be preparing for their performance. *Mrs Burton*

BADGER CLASS



Badger class have enjoyed another animated story by Polish author Maia Walczak, "The Silent Blue Book." They thought deeply about the little girl's character and discussed what they felt the story was all about - loneliness, friendship, adventure.

With a partner, the children explored what the story made us wonder and wrote questions that the story made them think of. We then looked at how we could use a range of time words to write the story with a beginning, middle and end.

I have been encouraging the children to perfect their handwriting and this week we set up a handwriting competition in class. Results will be announced next week!

Our seeds have all started to grow now and we have transferred the new seedlings into the school garden. The class are all taking turns to look after them and remember the watering.

In Maths, Y1 have been learning to use number facts to add a 1 digit number to a 2 digit

number. The Y2 children have all worked so hard with their KS1 SATS this week and I have been very proud to see how confidently they approached the tests and worked with perseverance. *Mrs Lyn-Jones*

OWL CLASS



WOW! where has the term gone? It is flowing away like a river cascading into a waterfall! Not entirely all my own lyrical language, I must admit I have mag-pied it from some of the amazing poetic language the children have been creating in English this week. They are all working incredibly hard creating a River Poem; using similes, metaphors, alliterations, expanded noun phrases and personification, and drawing on their own experiences of visiting the river of what they could hear and see. We are hoping to publish these into a class book, which should be available next term.

Grid method multiplication has been the challenge for the Cubes. They are now beginning to understand the importance of knowing their times tables. Please do remind them to use Times Tables Rock stars to help them. Ten minutes a day is more effective than 1 hour per week! The Spheres are reading, writing and comparing 5 digit numbers.

In Geography, the children are doing further research on rivers of the UK and have started to make a Top-Trumps style game to record their findings. Raisins and fizzy water were the main equipment in Science, investigating why the raisin floats back up in fizzy water and hypothesizing if the same would happen in still water!

Please ensure PE kits are in school all next week.

We are hoping that the weather remains fine next week so we can have an art lesson by the river! *Mrs Pickering*

WOODPECKER CLASS



I couldn't be prouder of Woodpecker class this week. Whilst year 6 sat through one of the trickiest test weeks I can recall, year 5 were immensely supportive and gave up tables, chairs and teacher without demur. The week was very tough and yet every

child gave of their very best - nothing more can be asked.

We have been considering global goal 11 and thinking about ways in which city life is not currently sustainable. Children formed groups and created cities utilising sustainable energy, recycling processes and a greater awareness of looking after the long-term health of our planet.

On Wednesday, Charlie's mum came in to talk with the class about engineering and we considered how important engineers will be in changing our world for the better. She introduced the class to a range of engineering disciplines: mechanical, chemical, electrical and civil before setting the children off on an engineering challenge.

Year 5 have been carrying on their learning while Year 6 did their SATs. In Maths, they have been considering some transformations: revising coordinates and learning how to translate shapes and how to reflect them across the y-axis and other lines. In English they have been having a go at writing in the styles of different well-known authors: Michael Morpurgo, Jacqueline Wilson and Lemony Snicket.

In Science, we are continuing to learn about electricity. This week we have started learning how to represent electrical components using symbols and are thinking about designs for our own circuits to make a set of traffic lights or burglar alarm. *Mrs Archer*

STARS OF THE WEEK



Hedgehog Class

Star of the week: Freya for her enthusiasm in her story writing

Friendship Star: Casey for being considerate of others in class

Paragon: Cora

Woodland Star: Samuel for choosing to use sticks as instruments, banging them against trees and noticing the difference in sounds.

Badger Class

Star of the week: Henry for making such progress with his mental arithmetic

Friendship Star: Jessica for helping others without needing to be asked

Paragon: Theodore

Owl Class

Stars of the week: Jaihden B for his improved enthusiasm during Zumba

Friendship Star: Percy for being a supportive learning partner and looking out for friends in the playground

Paragon: Molly

Woodpecker Class

Star of the week: Grace as she has exemplified hard work, patience, perseverance and determination as she grappled with her SATs questions this week.

Friendship Star: Lizzie for looking out for everyone, always being aware if children are feeling sad, for baking cookies for year 6 and for making calming lavender bags for friends.

Paragon: Lizzie

Delightful diners: Phoebe Tigwell, Poppy, Zayneb, Layla, Samuel Miller, Ben R, Hayden, Corey

Reminders:

- Packed lunch for Woodpecker Class on Monday for river walk
- 22nd / 23rd May: Fete Donations: chocolate, sweets of any variety
- **End of term: Thursday 23rd May**

DIARY DATES

13/05/19-23/05/19	KS1 SATS
19/05/19	Tour de Purley
22/05-23/05	Fete Donations: Chocolate, sweets of any variety
23/05/19	End of Summer Term 1, 15:00
24/05/19-31/05/19	May Half Term
03/06/19	Start of Summer Term 2
05/06-06/06	Fete Donations: bottles of bubbles/bath stuff or drinks for bottle tombola
06/06-07/06	Year 4/5 camping at Rushall Farm
w.c 10/06/19	Year 6 residential trip to Swanage
w.c 10/06/19	Year 1 phonics screening
13/06-14/06	Fete Donations: Nearly new toys & games
19/06-20/06	Fete Donations: Lucky dip prizes
28/06/19	Fete Donations: Cakes
29/06/19	Summer Fair
w/c 01/07/19	Sports Week (incl Sports Day on 05/07/19)
15/07/10	Open Afternoon for parents, 13:30
17/07/19 18/07/19	Year 6 Production, 18:30
19/07/19	Year 6 Leavers Party (TBC)
24/07/19	End of Academic Year, 13:15

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

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Villager of the Year 2019

It is the time of year to nominate your candidates for Villager of the Year 2019.

This award is intended to recognise outstanding efforts by a villager or village group/organisation, in any capacity, which have benefitted the community of Purley on Thames over the previous year(s).

The nomination form is available in this edition of Purley Parish News, on the Parish Council website, and in the Parish Office.

The closing date for nominations is Wednesday 31 July 2019 and they should be posted or hand-delivered to the Parish Office or e-mailed to asstclerk@purleyonthames-pc.gov.uk.

This is an opportunity for you to thank those you feel have made a particularly valuable contribution, so please do get voting!

Tennis Coaching at Purley Tennis Club

Date: Tuesday 28th May to Friday 31st May.
Time: 10am-2pm
Open to: Primary school ages - Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

Day Cost: £10 Members/ £15 Non Members
Contact: sammills18@hotmail.com

Child membership to the tennis club is only £24 for the year.

Girls Cricket – looking for players

Purley on Thames Cricket Club have started running an under 10 girls team.

They are looking for a few more girls who were under 10 as of 31st August 2018.

Training is Friday evenings 6.30 to 7.45/8pm and girls are welcome to come along and give cricket a try.

For more information, please contact Martin Bishop, martin.bishop1158@yahoo.co.uk