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Friday Bulletin

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What a wonderful day on Sunday! The sun shone, families gathered and much needed money was raised for the school. The success of events like this will ensure that we continue to be able to provide all the additional opportunities for our children. Thank you to everyone who worked tirelessly to put it all together and all of you who supported the event. We had in excess of 200 riders taking part this year. It may only have been going for three years, but standing at my post at the entrance to Bucknell's Meadow, I see a big change in the attitude of so many riders as their confidence grow; children losing stabilisers, children moving up categories and we had two who did the 30km ride this year!

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP



In Collective Worship this week we looked at Pentecost - the Christian festival celebrating of the 'birth of the church.' In the Bible, the Day of Pentecost refers to the event when God's Holy Spirit was poured out in a dramatic and exciting way. The church was born and continues to grow rapidly throughout the world today. We thought about the different symbols used in the Bible to describe the Holy Spirit, especially the symbol of 'fire.' We talked about the Holy Spirit being 'a person' and 'not a thing' who is ready to be welcomed into the life of anyone who is sorry for the wrong they have done and who asks for God's forgiveness through Jesus. Christians understand that the Holy Spirit makes the Christian life possible and makes our lives new. *Rev Archer*

WOODLAND SCHOOL



The sun was shining on us at Woodland school this week. We have been looking at the story of Little Red Riding Hood. So our tasks were to draw a map of our woodland area for her with pictures and labels and then to build a shelter where Little Red Riding Hood could hide from the wolf. The children tackled these tasks with enthusiasm. Other independent

activities included den building, climbing and imaginative play. *Mrs Herbert*



SPORTS DAY

This year we will be holding our sports day both at the school field and in Bucknell's Meadow on **Friday 17th June**.

Morning: Hedgehog and Badger classes will use the school field. The event will start at 10.00 and aim to finish by 11.45.

Afternoon: Owl and Woodpecker will use Bucknell's Meadow. Their races will start at 1.30 and finish around 2.30pm.

At 2.30pm Hedgehog and Badger will join us at Bucknell's Meadow for the presentation of the cup to the winning house.

After the event we will be holding a mini '**Race for Life**' fun run in aid of cancer research. The entry fee to this event will be £2 per child/adult. Every-one who pays to take part will receive a 'Race For Life' medal. More details to follow. You may like to bring drinks and snacks for after.

SAINSBURYS ACTIVE KIDS

Deadline for bringing vouchers is Friday 27th May. We will put our order in for new equipment after half term.

OPEN AFTERNOON

As advertised in the diary dates you are invited to come into school between 1.30pm and 2.45pm on the afternoon of Tuesday 12th July to share your child's work over the past year. Please come to the classroom to collect your child and their work. You can then find a quiet spot around the school or grounds (weather permitting!) so your child can share their work with you and talk about what they have done over the last academic year and celebrate their successes. You may sign your child out with their class teacher and take him/her home after you've finished. If you can't make it, it would be great if a grandparent or another family member or family friend attends. The Open Afternoon is usually very well attended and the children really enjoy sharing their work.

STARS OF THE WEEK



Hedgehog Class

Star of the week: Charlie for sharing with another child and kindly giving them the book they wanted.

Friendship Star: Molly for her Red Riding Hood story writing and art work.

Purley Paragon: Ellie

Woodland Star: Abigail for drawing an informative map with pictures and labels. She gave it 100%.

Badger Class

Star of the week: Ayden for challenging himself with his work.

Friendship Star: Amy for being helpful

Paragon: Maegan

Woodland Star: Jessica for using sticks and string to make a secure shelter for Little Red Riding Hood. She put her all into the task.

Owl Class

Star of the week: Hayden for fantastic work on time in Maths.

Friendship Star: Caitlin for a caring attitude to everyone.

Purley Paragon: Ryan

Woodpecker Class

Star of the week: Tyreese for hard work, perseverance and excellent progress.

Friendship Star: Jamie for friendship and support offered to other children in class.

Purley Paragon: Sienna

Delightful diners: Jacob, Cypher, Lola G, Anya, Ben S, Jaiden

HEDGEHOG CLASS



In Hedgehog class this week, we have been further exploring traditional tales and looking at similarities and differences. We have looked at different versions of stories, especially Red Riding Hood and have discussed the setting of the story and the repetitive phrases with follow-up written work. In Maths, we have been investigating capacity and have been estimating, measuring and using the correct vocabulary of volume. In Science, we looked at differing materials and found out how glass was made. We identified the best

material for different uses and Y1 made posters describing various materials. PE was indoors due to the rain and FS explored different ways of travelling over, under and through apparatus. *Mrs Carr*

BADGER CLASS



Badger class had fun this week investigating how to make the strongest concrete for a new school wall. They explored making it with different mixes of sand, stones, cement and water. They have been left to harden and next week we will be testing which mix proves to be the strongest. In Literacy, we have continued to enjoy fairy tales and have described the setting of the wood using descriptive language. We have also thought about repetitive phrases within fairy tales and how stories are often written in the past tense. In Maths, we have been working on capacity and how liquids are measured in litres and millilitres. Some of us have handled different containers and estimated and measured how much liquid they hold. Others have been involved in accurately reading different scales. In Geography, the children have started to look at compasses and the points of the compass. *Mrs Lyn-Jones*

OWL CLASS



This week in English the children have been exploring newspaper reports in preparation for writing a newspaper article about Henry the Gnome. We have thought about a catchy headline and the language features often used to create them. The children have photographed both Henry and his uncaring owners, Sally and Pete Bumble. We have discussed how the text is laid out and what we need to include, including quotations from the people involved.

In Maths, we have been problem solving and looking at time using both analogue and digital clocks. We have discussed the importance of telling time and your help in supporting your children to learn this skill would be very valuable. Wearing an analogue watch helps! In Art, the children have started to explore the work of Giacometti and have started to replicate his ideas.

Don't forget we are having a showcase of our work next Thursday, 26th May 2.30- 3.00pm. I do hope you can join us. *Mrs Pickering*



Mr and Mrs Bumble

WOODPECKER CLASS



Woodpecker Class have been thinking about prayer in RE. What is prayer? Who prays? Why do we pray? Is anybody listening?

In English, we are exploring poetry and poetic devices. There is a huge amount of vocabulary to remember and the children have responded really well to the challenge. They are identifying and using: rhyme and rhythm, onomatopoeia, alliteration, metaphors, similes and personification. Some children have also started to learn favourite poems off by heart for recital in class.

In Maths, we have been using our understanding of multiplication and division to solve fraction problems: understanding that one fifth of 20 is the same as 20 divided by five ($= 4$) and then using that knowledge to work out that four fifths of 20 would be $4 \times 4 = 16$. All children have worked really hard and are fully engaged with their maths this week and enjoying the challenge. Some mathematicians have been solving puzzles using their mathematical knowledge to solve increasingly complex problems. These started with number problems but have progressed to shape problems: using knowledge of shape properties to calculate missing angles, lengths, perimeters and areas. Most children are growing in confidence in their times tables up to 6 so now we will be throwing the 8 times table in too. We have skipped 7 times table as

this is one of the hardest tables and we will save it for later. The 8 times table is easier, as children who know their 4 times table can simply double the facts they already know.

In Science, children have been learning about the heart: how blood is pumped through the heart to get to the lungs and then to the rest of the body. *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)

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

26/05/16	Owl Class Open Afternoon: 2.30-3.00
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
12/06/16	Choir singing at St Mary's
17/06/16	Sports Day
12/07/16	Open Afternoon (1.45-3.00)
14/07/16	Class Swap Afternoon and FS visit
15/07/16	Hedgehog/Badger School Trip
20/07/16	End of Academic Year at 1.15 pm
03/11/16	Fireworks Fiesta!

Check **www.purleyprimaryschool.co.uk** for all the latest dates.

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Purley On Thames Cricket Club



We are delighted to invite Purley C.C. Junior members and others to

Tuesday 31st May Get in2 Cricket 9:30am – 3:30pm
(year 2 – 4) £20

Wednesday 1st June Performance Academy 9:30am – 3:30pm
(year 5 – 8) £20



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