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Friday Bulletin

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Hooray! This week was the last week of external testing at the school with the Year 1s being assessed on their phonics. Final teacher assessments will be completed by July 6th. Even if your child is not in Woodpecker Class, have a look at the class first paragraph!

As the school year draws to the exciting few weeks of this school year, the children have been speculating about which class they are in next year. You will have official notification with your child's school report on July 7th but I can say that all Year 5s and 6s will be in Woodpecker class in September, all Year 3s and 4s will be in Owl, all Year 1s and 2s will be in Badger and Hedgehog will consist of FS1 and FS2 making it a Foundation Stage unit.

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP



In this week's Collective Worship we continued looking at the Bible, coming to God's Story of The Great Parade. In it Jesus enters Jerusalem on a donkey and everybody starts praising him! It was even predicted that this would happen many years before Jesus actually did this. We thought about the good example Jesus left his followers to live by. *Rev Archer*

WOODLAND SCHOOL



This week the children continued to practise safe climbing and den building. Ciara and Jessica decided to use one of the dens as a café, writing down orders with twigs on pieces of bark, and serving sausages and salad on bark plates. The children looked carefully at the patterns they could see on the natural materials in the woods, and made rubbings to compare them. Harry noticed a piece of bark with worm holes looked like the night sky when he held it up to the sun. *Mrs Burton*



What a successful day we had on Sunday! After a wet week, the sun shone for the 4th Tour de Purley. Thank you to everyone who supported in any way. We had 217 riders who took part. Julia's family (Hedgehog Class) currently hold this year's record for sponsorship money raised with £192.

My favourite part of the day is still seeing the young riders on the 1 mile loop. This year especially, it was such a pleasure to see children who had previously done shorter routes setting off on a more challenging ride and the satisfaction in their achievements on their return. It also struck me on how many

participants we had with no connection to the school making this such a community event. There are some photos of the event on the desktop version of the school website.

YEAR 2 SWIMMING

Four of the children have been selected for an inter-school swimming gala taking place next Monday. The other Year 2 children will stay in school. The following week, on 26th June, all Year 2 parents are invited to come and watch the last lesson. We hope to see you there to show you how much progress the children have made since September! More details to follow.

NEW COOKER

The new cooker was installed during half term thanks to the fundraising efforts of Evelyn, Evie, Jasmine, Anya, Elizabeth, Elyssa and Mr Allum (Ollie's dad in Foundation). The money also enabled us to fit new storage unit in the kitchen. Thank you for their support!



GIRL FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

A huge thank you to all the girls who represented the school in the football tournament last week. You all played exceptionally well and showed great team

work and sportsmanship. I was so proud of each and every one of you and you demonstrated that you are all Purley Paragons. I would also like to say thank you to Mr Bell, Mr Gibbens, Mr Adamski, Mr Bodimeade and Joshua for being great team managers. We couldn't have entered teams without your valuable support.

Looking forward to doing it all again next year!
Mrs Pickering



FOPS UPDATE

Easyfundraising!

We were pleased to receive a cheque for **£131.90** in commission from Easyfundraising. Thank you for your support. It all adds up!

Don't forget to use Easyfundraising for when booking your summer holidays! Visit: www.easyfundraising.org.uk (or the app which is available on the app store or googleplay)

STARS OF THE WEEK



As we won't have a celebration assembly this week because of Sports Day, all our stars will be celebrated next Friday.

HEDGEHOG CLASS



What an exciting start to our new topic 'Do we have paws or claws?'

The children enjoyed spending the entry day working in groups with Badger Class as they took part in a variety of challenging activities! They also enjoyed meeting the friendly pets who visited our class this week – the children thought hard about questions to ask the owners, and carefully recorded the findings to add to their research into how to look after a pet. *Mrs Burton*

BADGER CLASS



Across KS1 we had a fun and busy entry day for our new topic "Do I have paws or claws?". The children were involved in exploring camouflage through art work, making animal masks, constructing bug hotels in the garden, making bird cages and mixing ingredients to produce tasty bird cakes. We have also learnt so much about having pets by listening to different pet owners, meeting their pets and asking them questions. Thank you to Jaihdn who introduced us to his pet snake, Ethan and Lucas who let us meet their pet dogs and Iqra and Firhan who brought in their budgerigars. In Maths, we have been studying statistics and gathering information about animals and pets. We used tally charts and produced bar graphs and pictograms to present our data. Next week we will be listening to the music "Carnival of the animals" by Saint-Saens and exploring it through dance and movement. *Mrs Lyn-Jones*

OWL CLASS



This week in Owl class, we have started our new topic, 'Which Direction?'. The children have explored compass points and followed navigational instructions to land a helicopter. In English, the children are designing characters, a setting and a background story, all based on a medieval theme, to create a board game. I am not sure I would like to meet the knight who may slice off my head with his blood stained sword! Both groups are continuing with statistics in Maths, creating bar charts for data collected and analysing their findings. We are also starting to use google

sheets as a way of creating bar charts in digital format. Electricity is the focus for Science and the children had fun creating circuits to make a buzzer work. *Mrs Pickering*

WOODPECKER CLASS



Our week started with a huge high: a moderator arrived on Monday to inspect year 6 writing. She was overwhelmed with the creativity and the control of language evidenced in their writing and was extremely affirming about the teaching and learning of writing at Purley Primary School.

We have been trialling a new approach to the teaching and learning of maths this week using Abacus. We have been learning about multiples, factors and prime numbers and have also been learning about counting in fractions, comparing fractions and adding fractions.

We have been learning what the bible has to say about the creation of the world and have read this account from the book of Genesis. We are considering how this compares with scientific theories of creation and have been investigating what other religious beliefs about creation are.

Preparation for our summer production has begun and auditions have taken place. By the end of the week, all Woodpecker children should know what role they have and should be learning lines. Time is very tight this term and they have been challenged to attempt to have lines learnt by the end of the weekend (no extra homework will be set).

Dates for your diary: Parents are invited to attend the Woodpecker Class Production on Thursday 6th July or Friday 7th July at 6.00pm in the school hall. More information to follow.

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

19/06/17	Year 2 interschool swimming gala
20/06/17	Year 5/6 interschool kwick cricket tournament
26/06/17	Year 2 final swimming lesson (parents invited to watch) 9.30-10.30
27/06/17	Friendly Netball matches with Long Lane, 3.30-4.30
03/07/17 & 04/07/17	Year 4/5 Camping Trip to Rushall Farm
06/07/17	Woodpecker Class Production to parents, 6.00pm
07/07/17	Woodpecker Class production to parents, 6.00pm
07/07/17	School reports sent home
10/07/17	Open Afternoon (1.30-2.45)
12/07/17	FS, Year 1 & 2, 4 Kingdom Trip
13/07/17	Year 3/4 Legoland Trip
14/07/17	Wine Tasting (TBC)
20/07/17	FOPS End of Year Party
21/07/17	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly, 9.15am
21/07/17	End of Academic Year, 1.15pm
06/09/17	Start of new academic year
20/09/17	Greet the teacher evening
28/09/17	FOPS AGM
18/10/17	Parents Evening, 3.30-6.00
19/10/17	Parents Evening, 6.00-8.00
20/10/17	Harvest Festival at St Mary's
05/11/17	Fireworks Fiesta!