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## Friday Bulletin

17<sup>th</sup> June 2016

I am very proud of all the work our pupils and teachers in KS2 have put into the JDO project (iPads). We will soon be having teachers from other schools in to see what we have achieved and some of the pupils will be speaking at the Headteachers' forum next month.

Mrs Archer and Mrs Pickering have had to complete some intensive training online and w/c 27<sup>th</sup> June, they will be going to America to access further training. In September, we will receive some more iPads from the same organisation. The school has benefitted greatly from being a part of this project. I wonder what exciting opportunities are in store for us next year?

### COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

In Collective Worship this week, we explored the Christian understanding of 'hope'. To help us do this, we looked at one of God's promises found in the Bible and which is for those who trust in Him, "For I know the plans I have for you declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." We thought about how hard it can be at times in our life when our hopes and dreams don't come to pass. We thought about the security that can be found by putting our trust in God. *Reverend Archer.*

### AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS

Please check the dates below as some of them are different to those originally set.

**Choir:** last session is on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June

**Chess Club:** last session is on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June.

**Print Making:** last session was this week

**Cheerleading/Gardening:** last session is on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June

**Cricket:** last session is on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July

**First Aid:** last session Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June

**Gymnastics:** last session is on 7<sup>th</sup> July

**Netball:** no session on 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> June.  
Final session on 1<sup>st</sup> July

### WOODLAND SCHOOL



We were lucky with the weather this week - only a light shower when we arrived. This week's task was to make a woodland animal collage using natural things from the environment. The children worked in twos and threes to create some great art. All of them were enthusiastic and gave it their best shot. The independent activities included climbing trees and balancing along the tree trunks.

**Please note that Year 1 Woodland School will finish on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July.** *Mrs Herbert*





## SPORTS DAY

Due to wet weather being forecasted we took the decision to postpone Sports day until **Friday 24th June**. Times and venues remain unchanged: KS1 (Hedgehog/Badger) 10.00am at the field, KS2 (Owl/Woodpecker) 1.30pm Bucknell's Meadow. **All children** to be collected from Bucknell's Meadow at 3.00pm. KS2 Parents you may like to bring a chair.

FOPS will be selling hot and cold drinks at Sports Day plus holding a small raffle.

## END OF TERM PARTY



FOPS' End of Term Party will be held on Friday 15th July in the school hall, with separate parties for Key Stage 1 and 2. Details to follow - form in book bag next week.

## GIRLS FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

A massive well done to all the girls who took part in the football tournament last week. You all played your socks off and against children older and bigger than yourselves. I was so proud of the great sporting attitude you all had and the encouragement you had for your team.

Well done to you all!! *Mrs Pickering*



## SCHOOL PHOTOS

All orders need to be in school by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you.

## NETWORK RAIL

Network Rail came to school on Tuesday to do a whole school rail safety assembly as we are near a railway line. The children learnt a lot of useful facts about how to stay safe. A wrist band has been given out to all the children.

## STARS OF THE WEEK



### Hedgehog Class

**Star of the week:** Alfie for working hard on repeating patterns in maths

**Friendship Star:** Harry for thinking of others and helping his learning partner

**Purley Paragon:** Davontay

### Badger Class

**Star of the week:** Firhan for trying so hard with his phonics

**Friendship Star:** Louis for helping his friends to make the right decisions

**Purley Paragon:** Alice

**Woodland Star:** Firhan - he knew exactly what he wanted to make and independently collected his resources and worked quickly and with care. He made an entrance to the enchanted woods. He then went on to make a second woodland collage.

### Owl Class

**Star of the week:** Leo for being honest and making right choices.

**Friendship Star:** Lola for being kind and helpful in the classroom.

**Purley Paragon:** Jaime

### Woodpecker Class

**Star of the week:** Jaden for contributing during class discussion and working to the best of his ability.

**Friendship Star:** Teagan because she only has kind words and kind actions for other children.

**Purley Paragon:** Callum

**Delightful diners:** Ruby, Callum, Ryan, Grace, Iona and Ayden

### HEDGEHOG CLASS



The children in Hedgehog class have been busy learning about minibeasts this week. In Science, we went on a minibeast hunt, FS children made their own minibeast books and Y1 wrote woodland poems based on their den building. Also in Science, we looked at the growth of a bean and compared the stages to the beans we planted. Both beans and sunflowers are doing well despite the lack of sun and heavy downpours! All the children drew a woodland map following our visit to Pikeshaw Woods last week and Y1 added a key. In Maths, FS have been looking at solving problems and pattern. Y1 have been continuing work on subtraction. In Art, we looked at the work of Andy Goldsworthy and the amazing structures he builds using natural materials and will be making our own natural art creations next week. Following our visit to the field for athletics practise, please ensure that your child has suitable PE shoes/trainers that fit in readiness for Sports Day next week. Thank you. *Mrs Carr*

### BADGER CLASS



Badger class have been keeping a diary to record the changes that are taking place with the seeds they planted last week. They have discussed reasons as to why certain seeds have grown quicker than others and why

some have not germinated at all. We have been looking at writing commands this week in English and discussing where we might see these types of sentences. We looked at recipes and followed the instructions to make edible conkers! We then wrote some instructions using clear commands on how to make a mud pie. To make our sentences more exciting to read we tried to add interesting detail.

Following on from our trip to the woods, we have also written a recipe for an "Enchanted Woodland." In Geography, we made our own maps of Pikeshaw Woods and included a key and the points of the compass. This week in maths we have investigated money and making different amounts using the coins. Next week we will be looking at the work of Andy Goldsworthy and making our own masterpieces using natural resources. Please could you help the children gather some natural materials (pebbles, stones, leaves, petals, conkers, pine cones, twigs etc) that they could use for their artwork.

We have started a library session on Wednesday afternoons. Please help your child to enjoy the books that they bring home and remind them to return it on the following Wednesday in order to select a new book. Thank you. *Mrs Lyn-Jones*

### OWL CLASS



In English, the children have continued to explore the Greek myth, Pandora's Box. They have added speech to a cartoon strip of the story and split the story into 4 scenes. Our goal for next week is to write the story in play script format. In Maths, the children have been practising their mental maths skills to see how many calculations they can complete in a given time. We have also revisited column method for addition and subtraction. The children have subsequently used this method to solve word problems. Alexander the Great has been our focus in history, following his journey of the lands he conquered. Linking with Geography, we have located modern day Greece within the continent of Europe and discussed how and why it is now much smaller than it was in the reign of Alexander the Great.

Barley Group had a challenging afternoon at Rushall Farm, being sheep-dogs and herding

the sheep. After a lot of perseverance and teamwork, they managed to get 6 sheep into the pen. Before half term, Wheat group did an amazing job of herding the sheep under the guidance of our amazing shepherdess, Emily.  
*Mrs Pickering*

and how this gives us night and day.  
*Mrs Archer*

## WOODPECKER CLASS



In English this week, Woodpecker learned all about Perseus who turned his grandfather to stone with Medusa the Gorgon's, head, Persephone, who was kidnapped and forced into an arranged marriage with Hades, Lord of the Underworld, Hephaestus, who was such an ugly baby that his mother, Hera, chucked him off Mount Olympus. Truly, the Ancient Greek Gods were a dysfunctional bunch of immortals and Woodpecker class seem to be loving their gory adventures.

Mighty Mathematicians have been working very hard to understand clocks. Being able to read the time in minutes past the hour and minutes to the hour (9:50 can be read as 50 minutes past 9 but is more commonly referred to as 10 minutes to 10). Many children are finding this really hard and any home consolidation would be appreciated. Children in year 4 and above need to be able to read the time using digital, analogue and 24 hour clocks and solve time problems such as, 'Harry's bus journey is 35 minutes long and drops him outside his school. School starts at 9:45 so what time would Harry need to get on the bus?' Mega Mathematicians have been solving calculations involving square numbers and cube numbers and have been working out the area of composite shapes. This has involved some big multiplying and is consolidating their multiplication skills too.

In Science, the children are learning about the movement of the earth in relation to the sun

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

22/06/16	Parents Information Evening for New Foundation children, 7pm
24/06/16	Sports Day
27/06/16	Year 2 Interschool Swimming Gala
04/07/16	Year 2 last swimming lesson (parents invited to watch).
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
15/07/16	FOPS end of Term Party
20/07/16	End of Academic Year at <b>1.15 pm</b>
05/09/16	Start of New Academic Year
08/09/16	New Foundation children starting
03/11/16	Fireworks Fiesta!

Check [www.purleyprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.purleyprimaryschool.co.uk) for all the latest dates

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)

**Karen Fakes (Headteacher)**

**Learn to Love, Love to Learn**