



# Purley CE Primary School

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## Friday Bulletin

24<sup>th</sup> June 2016

This week, the school cricket team took part in a Kwik cricket tournament. I was so impressed with the attitude of our players who were quite lost first thing in the morning but they lived our school values and **persevered**. Each member took **responsibility** for their own performance. They had **hope** even after losing their first three matches. After lunch, three more games were played, which they comfortably won! There was great **enjoyment**!



**Captain's Report:** The cricketers did very well; each and every one of them. We all felt excited but nervous but we eventually got the hang of it. Next year, we will come back and we will target a top six position. Everybody really enjoyed it and thank you to our mums and dads for taking us to the cricket ground and supporting us. *Josh*

### COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

What would life be like without any second chances?

What if there were no 'near misses', only 'if onllys'? There are so many life changing stories, good stories that make us smile and glad to be alive. This week we considered the little known story of Joel. He is one of the so-called minor prophets in the Old Testament. As we shared how the story would be so different if it ended with God being cross and the people being left to perish, we recalled how the Bible tells of God being the God of second chances, and how He not only provided for the people in Joel's time but today, too. Every day brings new challenges, doubts, fears and dreams, where does your hope come from?

*Pam Slingsby, Foundation Governor*

### AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS

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

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

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

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

### WOODLAND SCHOOL



Due to constant torrential rain on Monday this week, we made the decision to stay in school. We had three tasks. We discussed, then wrote down what we like about our weekly visits to Basildon Park. We drew and labelled pictures of mini-beasts. We also looked at non-fiction books about the woodland, trees and minibeasts. Finally we made some sloppy mud to paint some mud pictures.

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



### AFTERSCHOOL CARE CLUB

As mentioned in a recent newsletter, our afterschool care club will be run by **Get Active** from September. A variety of sports will be on offer along with arts and crafts etc. Mrs Mardeda will continue to be part of Afterschool Care Club with Get Active. All bookings will be taken by Get Active. Please see attached flyer for further information and to book your space for September. To register online, go to [www.getactivesports.com](http://www.getactivesports.com) and click on the yellow 'Find a club near you' button. In 'location' type Purley on Thames and the club will come up.

### 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 very well attended and the children really enjoy sharing their work.

### END OF TERM PARTY



The party will take place on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July. Look out for the form in your child's bookbag! Please return slip and money by 11<sup>th</sup> July at the latest. Thank you.

### ISS SCHOOL DINNERS

ISS have informed us of two changes to the advertised menu for the last two days of term:

- On Tuesday 19th July ISS will be providing a teddy bears picnic (Jam Sandwich, home-made sausage roll or vegetarian sausage roll, red summer fruit bag, teddy bear shaped shortbread).
- On Wednesday 20th July ISS will swap over the menu from the Friday of that week – fish fingers; Mexican rice wrap; jacket potato with cheese; chips, baked beans & peas; crispy cornflake cake.

### DENEFIELD SUMMER FAYRE

Denefield's Summer Fayre will take place on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July (5.00-8.00pm). Why not pop in before or after the end of term party.

### TIM PEAKE RETURNS TO EARTH!

We have been very excited this week to see Tim Peake land safely. Since KS2 carried out their own "soft landings" investigations, we know how hard it is to land softly, even when only falling from the balcony. A video of our "landing modules" in action is now available on <https://sites.google.com/a/purleyschool.net/tim-peake-grant-project/coming-home>

We were also very excited this week to submit our results from the nationwide Rocket Science experiment to the Royal Horticultural Society. For 5 weeks we grew rocket seeds in the classroom, not knowing which packet of seeds (red or blue) had been up to space. Following a very strict protocol, we counted how many seeds germinated, how many seedlings survived and how many leaves they grew and measured how tall the seedlings got! Our plants didn't grow terribly well, and our results

really showed very little difference between the "red" and "blue" seeds. However, overall the red seeds seemed to grow better! When we entered our results, we had to indicate which seeds we thought might have been up to space with Tim and so (on the basis that we thought seeds would grow better on Earth) we said we thought the seeds that did least well - the blue ones - had been up to space.

Yesterday, we watched a film made by Tim Peake when he selected which seeds should go to space! He chose the seeds on the flip of a coin and we were very interested to find out that the seeds that went to space were.....

### **THE BLUE PACKET!**

Now we are waiting to find out if the rest of the country had similar results and whether a trip to space really affects the way that rocket seeds grow on Earth. Our results can be seen <https://sites.google.com/a/purleyschool.net/tim-peake-grant-project/rocket-seeds>

### **STARS OF THE WEEK**



**Star of the week:** Charlie for writing a detailed list of what hedgehogs eat!

**Friendship Star:** Ben for enhancing everyone's learning with his interesting nature contributions.

**Purley Paragon:** Elliott

**Woodland Star:** Jamie for completing all the given tasks. His written work was neat, informative and beautifully presented.

### **Badger Class**

**Star of the week:** Bailey for being a reading champ.

**Friendship Star:** Jaihdn for being a big help when making an Andy Goldsworthy piece of artwork.

**Purley Paragon:** Oscar

### **Owl Class**

**Star of the week:** Ryan for working exceptionally well in all areas of his learning this week, particularly in English.

**Friendship Star:** Evelyn for giving positive words of encouragement to her friends.

**Purley Paragon:** Jisel

### **Woodpecker Class**

**Star of the week:** Jack for good concentration and hard work.

**Friendship Star:** Samuel for looking out for others in class and being supportive and helpful.

**Purley Paragon:** Tyreese

**Delightful diners:** Jack, Freddie, Somaya, Gracie, Chloe, Casey

### **HEDGEHOG CLASS**



In Hedgehog class, in Science this week, the children have been learning how to label minibeasts using correct scientific vocabulary. We have also started to find out about hedgehogs including where they live, what they eat and why they roll up into a ball! The children wrote long lists and also went on a plant hunt to spot and name different wild flowers. In Maths, we have been learning about money and have been practising coin recognition. The Y1 children went on to find different ways of making amounts and to solve practical money problems. In RE, we thought about a place that is special to us, the reasons why and drew pictures. In DT and Art we made ladybird houses and painted our own hedgehogs.

*Mrs Carr*

### **BADGER CLASS**



This week we have been busy researching information about the badger. We started off writing questions and then using non fiction texts we tried to find the answers. We worked in pairs to make notes and now we have started to make our own little woodland animals books. Having been inspired by the work of Andy Goldsworthy, we all tried really hard to make our own artwork using natural materials. We thought carefully about pattern, colour, symmetry and texture and were delighted with the end results. We took photos of our finished pieces and they are now displayed in our classroom as a Woodland gallery. In Maths, we have continued to explore money and making different amounts using a variety of coins. Next week, we will be researching other woodland creatures. If you have any useful books about woodland animals, fiction or non fiction, please send them in for the children to enjoy.

A big thank you to Holly Webb who visited the class on Monday and motivated the children to be creative writers. Her visit has already had a massive impact on them as writers and readers. *Mrs Lyn-Jones*

### OWL CLASS



This week, the children have been concentrating on writing a play script for the Greek Myth, Pandora's Box. In small groups they acted out the story to get a sense of what the characters might say and considered sound effects and actors' movements on the stage. Finally, they themselves became script writers and created their own version of the story, taking into consideration dialogue by each character, sound effects and stage directions. In Maths, we have revisited formal written method for multiplication and division and used this method to solve word problems. The children enjoyed an afternoon learning about democracy and how the Ancient Greeks influenced the democratic society we have in the UK today. They chose a leader to rule their empire, using a majority vote as a selection process and set punishments for slaves who had behaved inappropriately with in the Parthenon.

Wheat group had a fun afternoon at Rushall farm using natural materials to build a shelter. Many were very keen to stay there overnight!

Next week will be a French language week, and exploring further properties of 2D and 3D shapes. I will be in contacting the children regularly whilst I am away via Google classroom. *Mrs Pickering*

### WOODPECKER CLASS



On Monday, Woodpecker enjoyed meeting Holly Webb. She explained that even though she has recently had her 106th book published, she hadn't aspired to be an author as a child – she simply loved reading and this passion drew her into the world of publishing – and then writing. This was encouraging to many in Woodpecker class who, whilst being avid readers, don't always find translating this passion into writing, very easy.

Whilst our English work has taken us back in time as we study Ancient Greek mythology, our Maths has taken us back to Roman times. Mighty Mathematicians have been completing basic calculations using roman numerals. We have also been solving calculations involving negative numbers and numbers to two decimal places. Well done to all the children, and their families, who have been diligently learning their times tables. We are now focussing on the 8 X table.

During topic time, we have learned about Ancient Greek states, Athens and Sparta, and considered their different approaches to education, warfare, the arts and politics. We enjoyed investigating an Ancient Greek version of 'Wife Swap.' Both wives preferred their own way of life to their roles within the temporary swap. We also learned about the battle of Marathon from which our modern-day marathons get their name. Ask your children about Pheidippides, the unfortunate messenger.

Next week, we will be putting our new technology to good use as we stay in touch via facetime, email and google classroom whilst I'm away in Denver. *Mrs Archer*

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

27/06/16	Year 2 Interschool Swimming Gala
04/07/16	Year 2 last swimming lesson (parents invited to watch).
11/07/16	Foundation visit to Woodland School
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**



## Active Care Autumn Term



Dear Parent/Guardian

Get Active Sports are delighted to be running an extended after school club at Purley Primary School, starting from next term. We will be running our Active Care programme which consists of multi sports and activities. Your children will get the opportunity to participate in a variety of activities and sports such as football, cricket, basketball, arts and crafts, treasure hunts, creative time and much more. We will also dedicate specific time to help children with their homework and reading.

**Short After School Club: Monday – Friday 3.00pm – 4.00pm - £6**

**Medium After School Club (for children attending other school based clubs e.g. Cheerleading, gymnastics etc.): Monday – Friday from when your child’s club finishes – 6.00pm - £8**

**Full After School Club: Monday – Friday 3.00pm – 6.00pm - £12.90**

Children attending the short session will receive one snack which will include fruit, rice cakes, toast or crumpets. Children attending the medium session will receive a meal which will include a wrap, sandwich, fruit, chicken, ham or cheese. Children attending the full session will receive a snack plus a meal which will include a wrap, sandwich, fruit, chicken, ham or cheese.

**Autumn Term – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December**

**Please note for safeguarding reasons all sessions must be paid for in advance**



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