

# Purley CE Primary School

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## Friday Bulletin

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### End of Academic Year is on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July at 1.15pm

This week I have spent any free hours watching the tennis at Wimbledon. At the time of writing, it is after Andy Murray was knocked out and Jo Konta was getting ready for the semi-final. What fantastic mental attitude both have shown. That perseverance and resilience. Our children in years 4 and 5 demonstrated these values on their recent camping trip. Many faced their anxieties and committed to an overnight away from home. Thank you to those parents who encouraged their children despite having a few anxieties themselves. The experience will have a positive impact on the children's academic and life skills. Thank you to staff and volunteers that made this trip possible.

#### WOODLAND SCHOOL



For our last woodland visit this summer term, the children voted to go to the ladybird site where they had great fun rearranging the various dens left behind by other groups. They remembered to safely move the long branches by dragging them along the ground, or by carrying them with a partner. The children also practised using a peeler to strip bark from smaller branches to make magic wands, which they decorated with felt pens and wool. I wonder what changes will happen in the woods during the summer? *Mrs Burton*



#### FOPS UPDATE

##### END OF TERM SUMMER PARTY - REMINDER

The Summer Party is on Thursday 20th July. Do not forget to return the reply slip that was sent out in book bags last week by Monday 17th July to book your child's place! Another copy is attached.

##### WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Without the help and support of parents, grandparents, carers and local volunteers, we cannot continue to raise the much-needed funds to enrich the education of our children at Purley School. With parents stepping down

from the FOPS (Friends of Purley School) Committee as their children leave the school, we are looking for new Committee members. At our AGM on **Thursday 28th September** we will be, amongst other things, electing the Committee for the forthcoming academic year. If you are interested in joining the FOPS Committee or are able to give some time to be on an event sub-committee (for example, the School Fete Sub-Committee) or just want to know a little bit more about it, please contact Nicky Gibbens or Amelia Bell or ask Mrs Ham and she'll point you in our direction!

## SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

### A Chance to Win a Golden Medal for Your Reading!

- If you are not a library member, it's easy to join the library and it's FREE!
- Visit your local West Berkshire Library to collect your Animal Agents Summer Reading Challenge Reading Log. Come soon and beat the rush, if you need to join the library.
- Borrow books from the library which suit your age, interests and reading ability. Read them and rate your views on your Animal Agents Reading Log.
- Go back to your library to borrow more books and to collect your rewards.
- For every book rated on your Animal Agents Reading Log, you will receive a sticker to put in your Log. Please bring your Log each time you visit the library.
- After reading 3 books you receive a wristband.
- Your Challenge is complete when you have read six library books. The library staff or volunteers will give you your final stickers, a Certificate, a Golden Medal and a FREE voucher for a child visit Beale Park.
- Show your Certificate and Medal to your teacher when you return to school in September.
- The Summer Reading Challenge runs from 1st July to 30th September.

## SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDER

As we near the end of this academic year, I would like to remind you of the expected

school uniform so all the children are ready for September.

- Purple sweatshirt with a round neck and school logo or purple cardigan with a school logo
- White polo shirts for the Infants
- White shirts/blouses for the Juniors (Year 3 upwards)
- Grey trousers or shorts for boys
- Grey skirts, trousers, shorts or pinafores for girls
- Purple gingham summer dresses
- **Grey** tights or white socks for girls
- **Grey** socks for boys
- **Shoes** should be black as they are easily available for both boys and girls and for Health and Safety reasons these should fit securely and have a low heel. Trainers, open toed sandals or boots will not be allowed.

**For PE:** white t-shirt, black shorts and black jogging bottoms. Black pumps and/or trainers.

Long hair (girls and boys) should be tied back. No extreme hairstyles.

Sweatshirts, cardigans and bookbags with logo can be purchased from Making Impressions: 07917 625 402 or [orders@makingimpressions.co.uk](mailto:orders@makingimpressions.co.uk). Making Impressions also sell PE bags, fleece/reversible coat and water bottles. All other school uniform items can be purchased from any retailer.

## STARS OF THE WEEK



### Hedgehog Class

**Star of the week:** Frankie for her focus when doing her Maths

**Friendship Star:** Layla for reminding everyone to stay safe on the trip

**Purley Paragon:** Mason

**Woodland Star:** Lukas for his careful focus when peeling the bark.

### Badger Class

**Star of the week:** Malakhai for representing our school so responsibly during our school trip

**Friendship Star:** Amy for being understanding of others

**Purley Paragon:** Sam

### Owl Class

**Star of the week:** Lola M for putting worries behind her and participating on a ride she felt nervous about.

**Friendship Star:** James for a caring support to friend who was not feeling too well during our day at Legoland

**Purley Paragon:** Lola M

### Woodpecker Class

**Star of the week:** Ruby for excellent perseverance in maths

**Friendship Stars:** Sara for excellent teamwork

**Purley Paragon:** Dylan

**Delightful diners:** Josh, Nathan, Teyah, Ella, Ronan, Madeline, Tyreese, Tanisha

### HEDGEHOG CLASS



Our summer trip to 4 Kingdoms in Headley was a great success! Although the day started off a bit damp and we had to negotiate the puddles on some of the rides, the children had great fun competing against each other on the mini tractors, go-karts, and racing down the bumpy slides. The indoor soft play area and the bouncy air pillows outside proved to be very popular too! The tractor train took us around the fields where we could see the cows, donkeys and llamas roaming free, and then we met and held some baby animals in the barn. The children had lots of fun and their behaviour was impeccable – we were very proud of Hedgehog Class. On the coach journey back, a very sleepy Mason said "It's the best school trip ever!" *Mrs Burton*



### BADGER CLASS



Badger class thoroughly enjoyed their day out with Hedgehog class at 4 Kingdoms. They were so responsible and well behaved it was an absolute pleasure to take them out. Highlights of the day included handling the different animals in the pets corner and seeing Mrs Smith bounce of the trampoline pillows!! It was a great end to our topic where we have learnt so much about animal groups and looking after pets. Thank you to Sergio for bringing in his pet hamster last week and to Oscar for bringing in his bearded dragons this week. May I please remind everyone that library books need to be gathered in before the end of term. Thank you to Mrs Thom for all of her help running the library sessions this year. Should anyone wish to help out with the library next year we would be very grateful. Please see Mrs Hodsdon or myself to discuss further. Thank you  
*Mrs Lyn-Jones*

### OWL CLASS



Once again we have had a very exciting week in Owl class. It was lovely to see so many of you on Monday afternoon to share all the amazing work your child has done this year. The children have made catapults and have had great fun launching them and exploring what improvements they could make to increase accuracy and performance. I am sure you have also seen them in action! In Science, we explored circuits and investigated which materials conduct electricity.

The highlight of the week was our trip to Legoland. The purpose of our visit was to enhance our learning and understanding of gears, pullies and levers and our map reading

skills. The children had a workbook with relative questions to engage their thinking throughout the day. Each ride we went on we thought about which mechanisms made them work. The children also attended a workshop making Lego rides using gears and pulleys. In addition, they had all the fun of riding some of the rides. I think the most popular one was The Ninjago, however, I think Mrs Keegan would disagree.

We finished our day with a ride on the Viking boats around the water rapids. All the children were a credit to Purley School and I believe they all had an excellent day. Check in your child's bookbag for a voucher to return to Legoland a voucher for a reduced cost of £6 per child and £21 per adult!  
*Mrs Pickering*

### WOODPECKER CLASS



This term has involved a literacy week, a science week and rehearsals week... so... this week, our focus has been mathematical. Some children have had extension opportunities with Mrs Browning, exploring algebraic formulae and how these can be used within spreadsheets to efficiently generate patterns. Other mathematicians have revising area and perimeter; fractions, decimals and percentages; using and calculating with roman numerals and finding factors and multiples of a number. We will be culminating all our consolidation with our PUMA Maths assessment.

Children enjoyed sharing their work with parents on Monday - a huge thank you to all those who were able to come in.

In Science, children learned that with a carefully positioned fulcrum, they have immense power to lift even the heaviest weights.

Our computing work has involved creating iMovie films of favourite picture books which we will share with the younger children in the school.

*Mrs Archer*

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

20/07/17	FOPS End of Year Party
21/07/17	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly, <b>9.15am</b>
<b>21/07/17</b>	<b>End of Academic Year, 1.15pm</b>
06/09/17	Start of new academic year
20/09/17	Greet the teacher evening
23/09/17	School Fete
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!

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)

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