



Purley CE Primary School

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Friday Bulletin

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I love working at Purley Primary School! Every week someone says or does something to put a smile on my face and a glow in my heart. Last week I was overwhelmed by the generosity of one family.

Mr Bodimeade had supported with some of the technical elements of our Purley in the Palladium and was aware that we needed a speaker for the new music keyboard in the hall and were considering purchasing one when we had gathered together enough money. It was a wonderful surprise when the Bodimeade family turned up in school with an enormous box containing a new speaker, which will not only amplify the keyboard but can also be used with a microphone during events such as sports day. Three generations of the family had clubbed together to make the purchase, including the children with money from their money boxes. On behalf of the school and everyone in it, thank you!



Thursday 3rd November 2016

The Thameside Fireworks Fiesta went so well last year, we're doing it all again! It promises to be another fantastic not-to-be-missed event for all the family with tasty hot food, a licensed bar and glow novelties. Gates will open at 5.30 pm, with the Fireworks kicking off at 7.00 pm.

Once again proceeds are in aid of the school and if you book in advance we've kept last year's prices. So get your tickets beforehand and avoid the queue. You can get them online from **1st October** at www.thamesidefireworkfiesta.org or they will be available at various establishments in and around Purley including at School, the Post Office and Barn Owl Day Nursery to name but

a few (more details to follow but please ask in the school office for more information). Advance prices - Family ticket (2 adults and up to 4 children aged 5-12) £15, Adult £6, child £2.50. Under 5s go free. If you decide to buy at the gate, tickets are £25 Family ticket, £9 Adult, £4 Child. See you there!!

Do join us again for another memorable Firework Fiesta down by Mapledurham Lock and help us to raise funds for our school.

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP



This week in Collective Worship we looked at Joseph the Dreamer. Joseph is a famous person in the Bible - he was the great grandson of Abraham who we looked at last week. Joseph was hated by his brothers because he was Jacob's favourite son and had a beautiful coat decorated in many colours. More than that, he boasted about his dreams. They behaved really badly towards him and he was

carried off to a strange country and put in prison. We thought about how unfair life can seem at times and what makes us feel jealous. We asked God to help us not feel jealous, but to be thankful for all the good things we already have. *Rev Archer*

WOODLAND SCHOOL



Elm Group enjoyed a sunny but chilly morning at the 2nd base in the woods. They pretended to be squirrels and hid nuts (pasta) in the dry, crunchy leaves. At the end of the morning they tried to find them again and only a few squirrels were left hungry!

Now that the temperature is dropping, please make sure your child has appropriate clothes for the weather, and brings a named water bottle. *Mrs Burton*



YEAR 1, 2 AND 3 NASAL FLU VACCINATION

An information/consent form has been sent home via your child's bookbag. Could you ensure that the forms are returned by **Friday 11th November** at the latest. Thank you.

HALF TERM DATES REMINDER

The children finish school at 3.00pm on Friday 21st October at 3.00pm. They return to school on Tuesday 1st November.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

The photographer will be set up from 8.30 on Friday 21st October in the hall to take photos of non-school siblings (ie siblings that are at another school or nursery/home). Children who have siblings in school will have their photos taken together and separately too during the morning session.

POKEMONS



Disappointingly this week, some of the children bringing in the Pokémon cards did not play with them responsibly. Sadly we now have to ask for them not to be brought into school.

HARVEST FESTIVAL



It was lovely to see so many of you at our Harvest Festival this morning. Thank you to FOPS for organising refreshments.

ReadiFood

Thank you for all your generous donations. We will take them to ReadiFood next week.

STARS OF THE WEEK



Hedgehog Class

Star of the week: Belle for always trying to answer questions at carpet time

Friendship Star: Alfie for looking after a friend who was hurt

Purley Paragon: Macie

Woodland Star: Frankie for persevering when her fairy den got broken.

Badger Class

Star of the week: Mia for always trying her best in all subjects

Friendship Star: Chloe for always showing kindness to others

Purley Paragon: Sydney

Owl Class

Star of the week: Oscar for his amazing character description of a villain

Friendship Star: Maegan for her caring attitude towards everyone.

Purley Paragon: Alice Bodimeade

Woodpecker Class

Stars of the week: Rosemary for outstanding work in maths

Friendship Star: Elizabeth for being such a caring member of the class and always looking out for the well-being of others.

Purley Paragon: Elyssa

Delightful Diners: Harry H, Elliott, Isaak, Casey, Lola G, Grace, Nacho and Dylan

HEDGEHOG CLASS



This week the Foundation children were inspired by a book about a postman. They've been busy writing messages and cards to each other, posting them via Hedgehog Class mail. The children have been following instructions to make their own playdoh and have been trying out the new art boards in the garden.

Year 1 have been telling the time to o'clock and writing a recipe for the giant class pizza. They have also been providing the inspiration and man-power needed to create the small world zones in the tyres.

Next week Hedgehog Class will be thinking about harvest time, and investigating 2D shapes. *Mrs Burton*

BADGER CLASS



Badger class had fun this week reading and following instructions to make some Naan bread pizzas. It seems that most of the class enjoyed their take away and I would like to say thank you to Pizza Express for donating the pizza boxes. We looked at how instructions are written and then had a go at writing our own set of commands for making a Naan bread pizza. We have started to make some colourful Indian Elephants using the milk cartons and next week we will be decorating them fit for a Raja. In maths we have been

looking at solving word problems involving 1 more/1 less and tens and units. We have also been looking at how to write the numbers in words. *Mrs Lyn-Jones*

OWL CLASS



With the end of term lurking, life in Owl class is becoming very busy. We are now fully emerged in our Stone Age topic and have been researching how and why they created cave paintings and how these have helped us understand their lives during this period in history. The children have also been finding out about Stonehenge and how and why it was built. They have been thinking about how such large stones were transported from Wales to Wiltshire without cranes and lorries.

In English, we are starting to look at creating settings for an animated movie. Considering the language we need to use to help readers create images in their minds. In Maths, the Cubes have been exploring column addition subtraction and stealing tens. The spheres have been looking at fractions and equivalent fractions.

As a basis for our English we have been looking at the book 'The Boy with Bronze Axe' by Kathleen Fidler, based on the stone age village uncovered in the 19th century in the Orkney Islands. I am sure many of our more able readers would enjoy reading this to compliment their recent learning on this topic. It is available to buy on Amazon.

Mrs Pickering

WOODPECKER CLASS



Our Vicious Vikings have been preparing for attack this week and Woodpecker class have been learning about the Viking warrior.

In Science, we have been learning about microorganisms: for better and for worse! Which strains help us and which ones harm us.

In English, we have edited and improved our time-slip stories and are now concentrating on how to write an effective book review. Last week's comprehension homework was tricky

and many children struggled to answer some of the questions so we have taken time to go through this in class.

Our attention has turned to fractions in maths and Mighty Mathematicians have been learning about simplifying and comparing equivalent fractions. Mega Mathematicians have been estimating, measuring and calculating angles. They are much stronger at the calculating side of this and are finding estimating and measuring harder. The times table focus this week is still x8.

I look forward to meeting with parents and carers at 'parents' evening next week.

Mrs Archer

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

19/10/16	Parents Evening 3:30-6:00
20/10/16	Parents Evening 6:00-8:00
21/10/16	School photographs
21/10/16	End of Autumn Term 1, 3pm
01/11/16	Start of Autumn Term 2
03/11/16	Fireworks Fiesta!
13/12/16	ISS Christmas Lunch
16/12/16	End of Autumn Term 2, 1.15pm
04/01/17	Start of Spring Term 1
30/03/17	Choir singing at the Anvil
11/06/17	Tour de Purley

Don't forget to check all the dates listed in the school calendar on the front page of the school website <http://purleyprimaryschool.co.uk/>

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)

Learn to Love, Love to Learn