



## Purley CE Primary School

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# Friday Bulletin

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Education is about igniting young minds enabling them to attain their fullest potential. If igniting a young mind is like a firework then social media can be a bonfire! Please be aware that the lower age limit for a Facebook account is 13 years.

Did you see the BBC article on the impact of parents putting their children's photos on social media? The first people to have had their photos put on line as a child are now reaching adulthood. You can read the article by following this link. <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business-37834856>. Meanwhile, we at Purley will continue to ignite young minds.



Another wonderful evening! Thank you to everyone who supported this event. We've had some really positive feedback. A big thank you also to FOPS and many members of the local community who have worked tirelessly over the last few months to put this event on.

### FOPS CHRISTMAS CARD PROJECT



The children have been busy designing personalised Christmas cards. The sample card will be sent home w/c 14<sup>th</sup> November. You will then be able to order packs ready for Christmas.

### YEAR 1, 2 AND 3 NASAL FLU VACCINATION

Please ensure that the forms are returned by **Friday 11th November** at the latest. Thank you.

### CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS LUNCH



The date for our School Christmas lunch is Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December. The cost will be £2.65 for KS2 children (Year 3 upwards) which is payable in advance by 1st December at the latest. Payments can be made online or by cash/cheque (made payable to ISS Education). Whichever payment method you choose, could you please still return the special Christmas Lunch envelope which you will find in your child's bookbag today and ensure that your child's choices are clearly marked. If your child is in Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2, the meal will be free but you still need to return your envelope with your child's choice of food. Thank you.

### POPPY APPEAL



The school will be selling poppies to support the work of the British Legion. Poppies and wristbands will be available from Monday morning in the back playground. Suggested minimum donation for wristband is £1.

## FOUNDATION, YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2 NATIVITY PLAY

The first performance will be on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 1.45 pm in the school hall. You may bring younger siblings to this show. The second performance will be on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30 in the hall once again. This performance is for adults only.

## CHILDREN IN NEED



**BBC**  
**Children**  
**in Need**

In response to parental requests, we will be supporting Children in Need this year on November 18<sup>th</sup>. The national theme is 'Spotacular'. Children should come to school with spotty faces wearing their school uniform. This could be rosy cheeks, colourful spots or an attack of the measles! In return, we would be grateful if you could send in a monetary donation which we will use to cover as many spots on the school hall floor as possible. All money received will go directly to Children in Need.

## STARS OF THE WEEK



### Hedgehog Class

**Star of the week:** Molly for working hard with Mrs Bolland

**Friendship Star:** Frankie for helping the younger children

**Purley Paragon:** Belle

### Badger Class

**Star of the week:** Milo for trying so hard to write a clear explanation about why we celebrate bonfire night.

**Friendship Star:** Lucas for helping someone out when they needed it without being asked.

**Purley Paragon:** Ben R

### Owl Class

**Star of the week:** Caitlin for learning her 3 and 4 times tables.

**Friendship Star:** Tiana for supporting her friends when they are finding things challenging.

**Purley Paragon:** Jaime

### Woodpecker Class

**Stars of the week:** Sara for excellent progress in writing and hard work across the curriculum.

**Friendship Star:** Nacho for working well with different partners in class.

**Purley Paragon:** Sienna

**Delightful Diners:** Layla, Darcie, Elsie, Toby, Evans, Reid, Sara and Natalia W

## HEDGEHOG CLASS



The children have enjoyed a wonderful week exploring an explosion of colour and sound as we began our new topic "What's that light?". They created firework images on the computers and by scraping thick paint and taking prints. Our classroom is still sparkling from all the glitter! As a class we made up our own firework rap and the children used instruments to make the firework sounds. In Maths, we have been practising adding and taking away.

Next week we are looking forward to another colourful week as we think about Diwali, and begin our history investigations on the Great Fire of London. *Mrs Burton*

## BADGER CLASS



Badger class have come back to school eager to learn and start their new topic "What is that light?". They were very interested in finding out about why we celebrate bonfire night and then wrote explanations. Using IT, we created colourful firework pictures and we also explored fireworks through movement and dance. In Music, we have composed a class firework rap and expressed our ideas further using a variety of percussion instruments. In Maths, we have been working on addition by counting on from the larger number. Some of us have looked at how to add tens onto a 2 digit number by using 100 square and how to add two 2 digit numbers together by adding on the tens and then the units. We had an exciting entry day for our topic where the children worked in mixed age groups across the key stage and explored light through science and art.

A reminder that our library day is every Wednesday afternoon. Please ensure that your child returns their library book each week in order to choose a new one.

Next week we will be finding out about the fire of London. *Mrs Lyn-Jones*

### OWL CLASS



Well done to everyone for working on their KIRFs (key instant recall facts) last term.

Nearly everyone has achieved their target. New ones were put in books bags before half term, these are times table linked.

It has been really interesting hearing about all the exciting things you have been doing over the half term. In English, the children have been doing recount writing about their half term break. In Maths, the cubes have started investigating fractions whilst the spheres have been working on the 6 times tables and looking at how the 3 times table can support us with this.

We have started out new topic "What's 'peaking' out of the Earth?". The children had a fun filled afternoon on Thursday making model volcanoes and making them erupt. Diwali was the focus for RE this week, thinking about dark and light and what it means to us.

*Mrs Pickering*

### WOODPECKER CLASS



Woodpecker class seem well-refreshed after a hard-earned week off. We have begun our new Big Writing Challenge: writing a

persuasive news report about orangutans. The Big Writing Agency have forwarded information to us regarding these amazing apes and how, without urgent intervention, we will lose the species altogether. Our writers are charged with the job of creating reports to warn listeners that the species is facing extinction and to encourage people to engage with the problem and help save the orangutans.

Science has involved challenging vocabulary as we considered properties of materials:

malleable, brittle, opaque, transparent and translucent to name a few. How many can your child remember and explain to you?

In Maths, Mega Mathematicians have been solving problems involving metric measures and Mighty Mathematicians have been learning to convert between improper fractions and mixed numbers. Every child has been assessed and given new KIRFs for the term (key instant recall facts). These range from the year 3 KIRFs (to know x 3 table), the year 4 KIRFs (to know x 6 table), year 5 KIRFs (to know all tables to x12) and year 6 KIRFs (to be able to recall factors, common factors and highest common factors of numbers up to 144). Some children have been given KIRFS for a year group below their actual age but, if supported, can learn these and progress to age related maths.

Our topic for the term is Maya Mahem and we had a wonderful entry point creating mini replicas of Mayan temples. *Mrs Archer*

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

13/12/16	ISS Christmas Lunch
14/12/16	Nativity Play (Foundation, Year 1 and 2) – 1.45pm. Parents with young children may come along to this performance.
15/12/16	Nativity Play (Foundation, Year 1 and 2) – 9.30 am. Adults only
14/12/16	FOPS Christmas Party, Memorial Hall (timings to tbc)
16/12/16	End of Autumn Term 2, <b>1.15pm</b>
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](mailto:headteacher@purley.w-berks.sch.uk)

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**Learn to Love, Love to Learn**