Pyrford Church of England Primary School

School Newsletter

26 September 2014

Good morning.

This week, just like any other, has been jam packed with things going on. Many thanks to those of you who came to the PTA AGM on Tuesday evening. We now have the year organised and each year group is taking responsibility for a fundraising event. We hope by doing this that it will encourage team spirit and if we each do our 'little bit' then together we can do great things, rather than one single person having to do everything. This year we will continue to raise funds for the minibus, brass lessons (and instruments) which we pay for Year 4 to have and to continue our drive for upgrading ICT in the school. We will endeavour to update parents on fundraising activities, how much has been raised and what the funds have been spent on in order to better the educational experience for your children. If ever you have any great ideas for raising funds of the school or have a skill to offer - please let us know by emailing info@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk

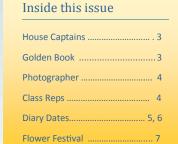
I was hoping by now to be able to update you all with news of the rebuild at the school but I'm afraid we don't have any updates. We are in the hands of the Education Funding Agency who are still interviewing contractors. As soon as I have any news I will put it in the newsletter.

This week we have had another data crunching week both of pupil data and school attendance. I am pleased to say that pupil attendance is classified as 'Outstanding', however there are still points we need to improve upon and will be monitoring closely. These are mainly appointments taken during school time and holidays. As always, we will monitor holidays taken during term time and as one of the only schools not currently fining, unless there is an improvement, we will be forced to fine parents. The pie chart shows the absence reasons at Pyrford for 2013/14 in comparison to all Surrey primary schools.

We said goodbye to Mrs Turner this week who is off to Bristol with her husband. Mrs Turner has been a real asset to Pyrford and she said some very touching words to staff and children when she left.

Thank you to those of you who kindly donated to the collection in memory of Mrs Dallow, we collected a total of £145 which we will pass on to the family.

Wishing you all a good weekend Kathryn Krynicki Headteacher

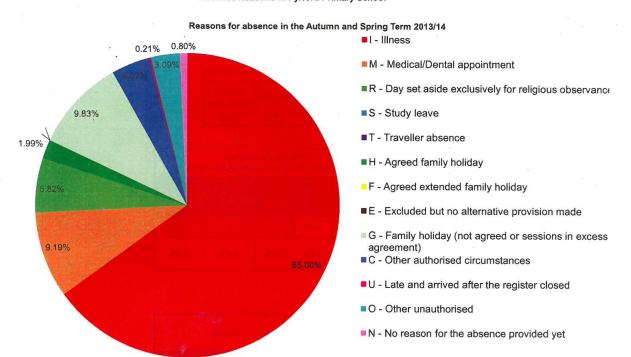




Please note that the church car park will not be available for drop off on Monday 29th. Sadly we are receiving many complaints about inconsiderate and dangerous parking particularly in driveways and keep clear zones. We have photographic evidence which we shall publish if this continues.

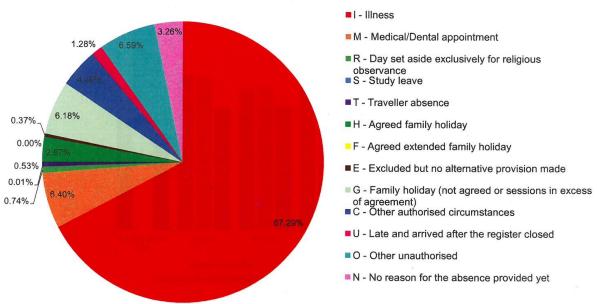
School Attendance Data for 2013/14

Absence Reasons in Pyrford Primary School



Absence Reasons in Surrey Primary Schools

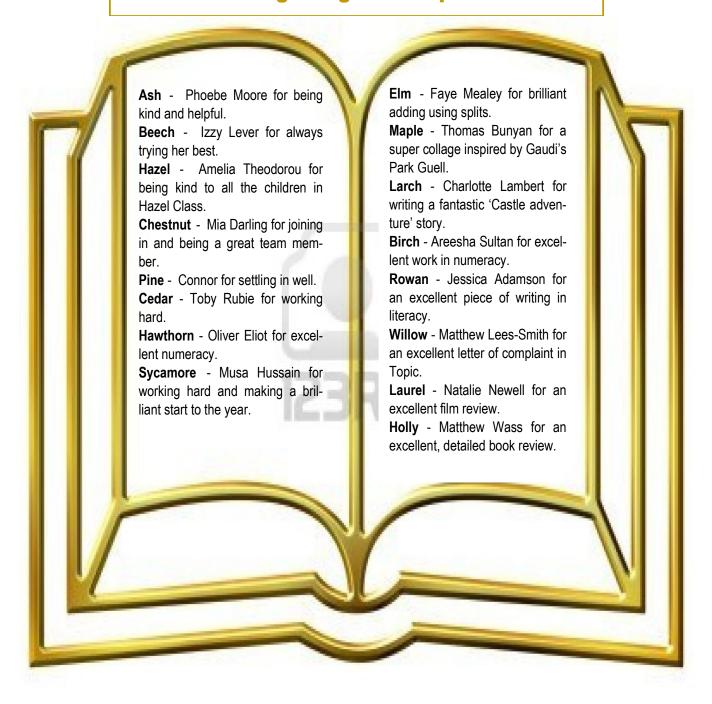
Reasons for absence in the Autumn and Spring Term 2013/14



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR HOUSE & VICE CAPTAINS FOR THE YEAR AHEAD!

ASHDOWN ATHOLL **BRECON Ava Petropoulos - HC Madeline Harrison - HC Genevieve Moller-Butcher -Mariya Mahmood - HC Harvey Balsdon - HC Joseph Monday - HC Alex Clifton - HC** Isaac Wong - HC Natalie Newell - VC Freya Daines - VC **Ashley Tipping - VC** Freya Clarke - VC **Alex Keane - VC Josh Shandley - VC Luca Elliott - VC Rafferty Scott - VC**

Congratulations to the Golden Book Winners Week beginning 22nd September



INDIVIDUAL PUPIL PHOTOS - WEDNESDAY 1ST AND THURSDAY 2ND OCTOBER

The photographer from Fraser Green will be in next Wednesday and Thursday to take photos of all the children on their own and in sibling groups. On the Wednesday we are planning to take only individual photos of the children in the school. On Thursday you are invited to come in from 8.20am to have a group photo of your pre-school age children along with their school age brothers and sisters. You will need to be in the queue for photos by 8.45am on Thursday.

As we've done in previous years, we will make arrangements for all the siblings in the school to have a photo together, but this will be done on o Thursday. Please make sure your children are looking their best on both days.

If you have any questions about the arrangements, please contact the office.

If your child attends one of the football clubs after school, they must wear shinpads with long socks to prevent serious injuries. They will not be allowed to play without them.





If you would like to book a stall at the Christmas Fayre on Saturday 29 November, please email Jo Attrill (joanneattrill21@yahoo.co.uk). Stalls are only £20.

CLASS REPS

The Rep(s) for each class are shown below. They will be making contact with all parents in the class soon.

ASH	Emily Kidd & Charlotte Snelgrove
BEECH	Mariam Altaf & Nadia Mughal
HAZEL	Karen Goodrich & Gemma Price

CHESTNUT Ellen Kolby, Sarah Price & Zoe Russell

Helen Cockburn & Pam Sadler PINE Mel Loades & Sarah Patrick **CEDAR HAWTHORN** Zoe Beal & Sasha Phillips **SYCAMORE** Lynsey Batten & Jenny Cuttle

ELM Ann-Marie Peasev

MAPLE Sara Hodges

Emma Abbott & Laura Cook BIRCH LARCH Sam Berry & Jacy Gorton

ROWAN Alison Mortlock

WILLOW Sioneni & Suzanne Lees-Smith HOLLY Anne Dean & Natalie Mandeville **LAUREL** Mandy Keane & Teresa Newell

SCHOOL DATES FOR 2014—2015 ACADEMIC YEAR

Description	Date	Time
School Photos	1 October	
School Photos	2 October	
Yr R to visit the Church of the Good Shepherd	7 October	am
Yr 6 to Marwell Zoo	9 October	
Harvest Festival	10 October	09:30 - 10:30
Tempus Fugit - Yr 4 Tudors & Yr 5 Victorians	20 October	
Autumn Half term	27—31 October	
Yr 6 Secondary Admissions deadline	31 October	
Maths Week	3-7 November	
Prospective Parents Tour	5 November	10:00 - 11:30
Prospective Parents Tour	6 November	14:00 - 15:30
Prospective Parents Tour	10 November	14:00 - 15:30
Yr 4 to Hampton Court	11 November	
Autumn Parents Meetings	11 November	15:30 - 19:30
Autumn Parents Meetings	12 November	15:30 - 17:30
Prospective Parents Tour	13 November	14:00 - 15:30
Yr 5 to Intech Planetarium	13 November	
Scholastic Book Fair	17—21 November	
Prospective Parents Tour	18 November	10:00 - 11:30
SEN Parents Meetings (Yrs 1 - 5)	24 November	
Mufti Day for Christmas Fayre	25 November	
SEN Parents Meetings (Yrs R & 6)	26 November	
Prospective Parents Tour	26 November	14:00 - 15:30
'The Wizard of Oz', Tickled Pink Productions	27 November	
Friends Christmas Fayre	29 November	
Assessment Week	1-5 December	
Christmas Tree Sale	6 December	
KS1 Christmas performance	9 December	14:00
KS1 Christmas performance	10 December	10:00
Yr R Christmas performance	11 December	14:00
KS2 Christmas performance	11 December	19:00
KS2 Christmas performance	12 December	14:00
Last Day of Autumn Term	18 December	finish at 13:30
INSET Day	19 December	
Christmas Holidays	20 December to 04 January	
INSET Day	5 January	
First Day of Spring Term	6 January	
Bikeability Course - Week 1	12 January	
Yr 1 to Windsor Castle	13 January	
Primary Admissions deadline	15 January	
Bikeability Course - Week 2	19 January	
o2 Young Voices Concert	27 January	
Spring Half term	16—20 February	
Yr 6 Ancient Greeks Play, Jr Hall	26 February	
Spring Parents Meeting	10 March	15:30 - 19:30
Spring Parents Meeting	12 March	15:30 - 17:30

Diary Dates continued		
Yr 5 to Fairthorne Manor	16—19 March	
Yr 2 to Brooklands Museum	17 March	
Yr 3 to Henley Fort	18 March	
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Reception to Ladyland Farm	20 March	
Yr 1 Special Assembly	25 March	afternoon
Last Day of Spring Term	27 March	finish at 13:30
Easter Holidays	30 March—10 April	
INSET Day	13 April	
First Day of Summer Term	14 April	
Yr 3 to High Ashurst	16—17 April	
Yr 4 to Hindleap Warren	20-22 April	
Yr 4 Urban Farm Roadshow	23 April	
Yr 1 to Nower Wood	29 April	
May Bank Holiday	4 May	
Reception Special Assembly	22 May	afternoon
Summer Half term	25—29 May	
INSET Day	1 June	
Yr 3 to Pizza Express	2 June	
Yr 3 to Pizza Express	4 June	
Yr 4 to Wisley, Henri Rousseau workshop	4 June	
Friends' Summer Fair	20 June	
Yr 6 to Osmington Bay	22—26 June	
Yr 2 Pedals Course	29 June	
Yr 2 Pedals Course	30 June	
Yr 2 Pedals Course	1 July	
Yr 2 Special Assembly	2 July	afternoon
Last Day of Summer Term	21 July	finish at 13:30



In the October issue of the parish magazine the following Year 4 children have had their prayers published - looking back on the things they did last year and what they're looking forward to this year: Christopher Batten, Kirsty Caruth, Harriet Cook, Fin Chandler, Edward Hastings, Thomas Joslin, Aisha Karim, Aishah Munir and Daniel Wass. Magazines are available from the church next door.







Thank you to Cameron, Genevieve, Evangeline, Chloe, Isabel, Madeline, Jamie, Ashley & Natalie for helping Mrs Munro with the school's display at the Flower Festival. Do pop along to the church to see it, and all the other marvellous displays.