



Pyrford Church of England Primary School

15 December 2017

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Good morning and welcome to what will be our last newsletter of 2017. We are most definitely fully into the swing of Christmas here at school and the children are enjoying all the festivities and activities. By the end of today we will have completed six out of our seven productions/concerts. Many thanks to those of you who have come and supported the children by watching, practising lines and providing costumes. It is very much appreciated. Please enjoy some of the pictures overleaf which we have taken.

We have this morning, hot off the press, some great Christmas news. Ms Burningham gave birth yesterday 7 weeks early to Emily Ann weighing in at 4lb 3oz. Ms Burningham has had a very difficult pregnancy and has spent months in hospital so we were thrilled to hear the great news. Little Emily is currently in the NICU unit and is doing well, and hopefully all will be home for Christmas.

Next week as we hit the last few busy days we have a number of events taking place including, Good to be Green afternoons, Tea Party, Christmas lunch, parties and disco. Teachers will let children and parents know exactly what is needed and when. The last day of term is Thursday 21st December. The whole school (including some of the older Nursery children) will be attending the church service at 9.30am on the 21st. Parents are warmly invited to join us. School will close at 1.30pm on the 21st. We will do our very best to get children out to you promptly on this day as I know many of you have mentioned that you are starting your Christmas travel arrangements.

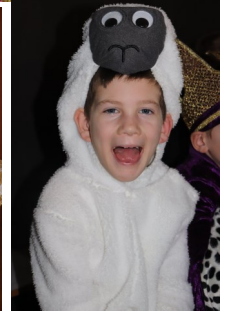
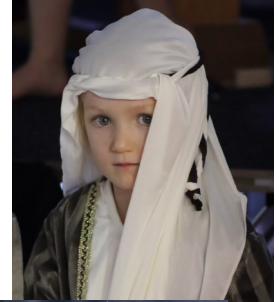
Children return to school on Monday 8th January and staff on Thursday 4th January. You should have received school lunch menus by the end of this week in readiness for next term along with Treetops menus for those of you who use the After School club. We are also trying to finalise with our outside providers the clubs that are being offered next term. We are desperately trying to offer as much as possible but as you can imagine, almost every inch of space both indoors and out is taken up every night after 3.15pm with all that goes on. We will get a comprehensive list to you as soon as possible.

Wishing you all a wonderful Christmas, I hope that you enjoy spending time together with friends and family and we look forward to welcoming you all back in 2018!

Best wishes.

Kathryn Krynicki
Headteacher

*Merry
Christmas*
& **HAPPY NEW YEAR**



Congratulations to our Golden Book winners

Squirrels - Amelie Regueiro Russell for developing her independence skills.

Hazel - Ellie Rowlands for being a beautiful angel dancer.

Beech - Fleur Cobbett for writing her name so beautifully.

Chestnut - Aliona Cottrell for always trying her best and doing it with a smile.

Oak - Annie Whyman-Taylor for wonderful writing to Father Christmas.

Cedar - Laila Parsons for singing so enthusiastically during all our Christmas productions.

Hawthorn - Eadie Chandler for great behaviour and always being helpful.

KS2 not awarded this week as no KS2 assembly



In assembly next week we are thinking about the Christmas story



JUNIOR DISCO

Wednesday 20th December

6:30 pm - 8 pm in the School Hall

£3 on the door

Price includes crisps, sweets and a drink

(no need to bring any extra money)

Drop off at Coldharbour Road entrance only.

Entry through main school entrance. Parents to take their children's coats home.

Collect at hall double doors.

SCHOOL DATES FOR 2017—2018 ACADEMIC YEAR

Description	Date	Time
Yr 1 Movie Night	Fri 15 December	18:15
Choir sing at Church Carol Service	Sun 17 December	18:30
Christmas Around the World Day	Mon 18 December	
KS2 Carol Concert in church	Mon 18 December	19:00
Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day	Tue 19 December	
Christmas Lunch	Tue 19 December	
Reception & KS1 Christmas Parties	Wed 20 December	14:00
Junior Christmas Disco	Wed 20 December	18:30 - 20:00
School Christmas Service at CoGS	Thu 21 December	09:30
Last Day of Autumn Term	Thu 21 December	finish at 13:30
Christmas Holidays	22 December to 3 January	
INSET Day	Thu 4 January	
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First Day of Spring Term	Mon 8 January	
Primary Admissions deadline	Mon 15 January	
Maple class to Pizza Express Weybridge	Tue 16 January	
Juniper class to Pizza Express Woking	Wed 17 January	
Elm class to Pizza Express Cobham	Thu 18 January	
Yr 5 to Shah Jahan Mosque	Thu 25 January	morning
o2 Young Voices Concert	Tue 30 January	
Spring Half term	12 - 16 February	
Yr 6 Greek workshop	Thu 22 February	
Yr 5 to Warner Bros Studio tour	Tue 6 March	
Yr 4 class to Synagogue	Wed 7 March	
Yr 4 class to Synagogue	Thu 8 March	
Yr 2 to Brooklands Museum	Wed 14 March	
Yr 5 Residential to Fairthorne Manor	Mon 26 - Thu 29 March	
School Easter Service at CoGS	Thu 29 March	09:30
Last Day of Spring Term	Thu 29 March	finish at 13:30
Easter Holidays	2 - 13 April	
First Day of Summer Term	Mon 16 April	
Yr 1 to Nower Wood	Tue 17 April	
Reception to Ladyland Farm	Fri 20 April	
Yr 5 Viking workshop	Mon 23 April	
Yr 4 Residential to Hindleap Warren	Mon 23 - Wed 25 April	
Yr 3 (part) Residential to High Ashurst	Mon 30 April - Tue 1 May	
Yr 4 Tropical Zoo	Wed 2 May	
May Bank Holiday	Mon 7 May	
Yr 3 (part) Residential to High Ashurst	Tue 8 - Wed 9 May	
SATs Week	14 - 18 May	
Yr 4 Bikeability Course	Wed 23 - Thu 24 May	
Summer Half term	28 May - 1 June	
Yr 6 Bikeability Course	Mon 4 - Fri 8 June	
Yr 2 to The Lookout Discovery Centre	Tue 12 June	
Yr 4 to Wisley	Wed 13 June	
Yr 6 Residential to Gaveston Hall	18 - 22 June	
Yr 1 to Chessington	Thu 21 June	
PTA Masked Ball at Brooklands	Fri 22 June	
Yr 3 class to Henley Fort	Mon 25 June	
Yr 6 Leavers' Service at Guildford Cathedral	Mon 25 June	12:30

Description	Date	Time
Yr 3 class to Henley Fort	Tue 26 June	
Yr 3 class to Henley Fort	Wed 27 June	
Yr 5 Bikeability Course	Mon 2 - Wed 4 July	
Seconday School Induction Days	Tue 3 and/or Wed 4 July	
Yr 2 Pedals Course	Thu 5 July	
FS & KSI Sports Day	Tue 10 July	am
KS2 Sports Day	Thu 12 July	
Pyrford & Wisley Flower Show	Sat 14 July	
Leavers' Service at CoGS	Fri 20 July	09:30
Last Day of Summer Term	Fri 20 July	finish at 13:30
INSET DAY	Mon 23 July	



Save the Children

**CHRISTMAS
JUMPER DAY**

**We are once again supporting Save the Children
by taking part in Christmas Jumper Day
on TUESDAY 20TH**

For a suggested donation of £1 each, children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper instead of school uniform - jeans/sports trousers/leggings are acceptable to wear with it.

It will be a party atmosphere as everyone will be in their Christmas jumpers for our school Christmas lunch, with extra treats!

CONSULTATION ON THE SCHOOL'S ADMISSIONS ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2019/20

The governors are consulting as they propose making changes to the arrangements, mainly relating to church attendance (criteria 6 & 8).

To increase the school's inclusivity they wish to widen the definition of church from 'Anglican' to 'Christian', defined as being any church which is a member of Churches Together in Britain and Ireland. At the same time, the requirement to be a member of a church electoral roll would be removed, as the 12 months' attendance required in relation to school admission is longer than that required to join the church electoral roll.

In order to ensure greater accuracy in the worship attendance records and in the interests of fairness and clarity for parents, governors wish to introduce a Supplementary Information Form which requires a parent(s) to have their form signed by the minister/churchwarden twice each month of the relevant 12 month period, to prove their church attendance. This will give parents control over the monitoring of their attendance at church and enable them to demonstrate that they have met the requirements of the school's admissions policy.

Governors also wish to remove Tots Praise from the list of services deemed to constitute worship within the Ecclesiastical Parish of Wisley with Pyrford. Tots Praise is essentially a social gathering for young children, whereas the school's admissions policy is concerned with the attendance of parents at church for the purpose of worship. After consultation with the church, the active worship element of Tots Praise was not considered of sufficient substance and governors believe that 4 O'clock Church is now a valid service for those unable to attend church on a Sunday morning.

Additional maps have also been added to the Admissions Policy for the purposes of clarity, together with reference to the Parish Finder section of the Church of England website 'A Church Near You' in relation to determining parish boundaries, <http://www.achurchnearyou.com/parishmap.php>

The Admissions Policy and the Supplementary Information Forms are available on the school website - click the link on the home page.

Any comments should be addressed to the Chair of Governors, Mrs Julia Lamaison, and delivered to the school address below.

Comments can also be made by email to c.anderson@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk marked for the attention of Mrs Lamaison.

The consultation period ends on Wednesday 10th January 2018.



KS2 CHOIR

I have been really happy to see so many children attending choir this term. As a result I am going to start running an after school choir club in addition to the Wednesday lunch time. This will give us more time to play vocal games as well as learn more songs.

Choir will be busy for the rest of the year taking part in the Surrey Music Festival, a singing picnic and hopefully a new event called No Sound Ever Dies at Brooklands museum.

After school choir will be in the hall on Thursday from 3.15-4.15pm. If you would like your child to attend, please return the form which is available on the school website under 'Clubs' or from the school office. *Mrs Gill*

SURREY ARTS

Earlybird booking discount before January 5 2018

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EASTER MUSIC COURSE 2018

Tuesday 3 to Saturday 7 April 2018
Royal Alexandra & Albert School, Redhill

Residential and non-residential courses for instrumentalists and vocalists aged 7-18

For further details and to book online:
www.surreymusicclub.com

For more information please call Surrey Arts:
01483 519290

SURREY

Message from Surrey for parents and guardians

There is a measles outbreak in Surrey affecting unimmunised children and adults. Measles is highly infectious. It can cause serious illness and can sometimes be fatal. **Vaccination with 2 doses of MMR is the only way to protect children and young people.** There are also measles outbreaks occurring in Europe, particularly in Romania, Italy and Germany, and if you are planning to travel overseas please ensure that your child is up to date with their routine immunisations, including MMR.

The first MMR vaccine is given to toddlers at the age of 13 months and the second injection at around 3 years and 4 months before your child goes to school. MMR can be given to older children, teenagers and young adults if they missed their injections when they were younger. **Contact your GP practice if your child needs an MMR vaccine.** The vaccine is free. If you are not sure if your child needs an MMR vaccine, you can contact the GP to ask.

Measles is not just a little kids' problem. Teenagers, young adults and anyone who has missed their MMR vaccination can get measles. The first signs of measles are fever, cough, runny nose and red sore eyes. After a few days, a spotty rash will appear. It starts on the face and neck before spreading to the rest of the body.

If you think your child has measles, ring your GP practice for advice. Don't turn up to the surgery, walk in centre or to accident and emergency without calling ahead. The doctor will make special arrangements to see your child so that if your child has measles – they won't pass it on to others. Keep people with symptoms of measles away from others to avoid spreading measles, and stay away from school, nursery or work for 5 days after the onset of rash.

If you would like more information, see <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/>

SCHOLASTIC

CONGRATULATIONS!

The Pyrford Primary School

Our Scholastic Book Fair has raised

£996

in FREE BOOKS

for our school!

SCHOOL

THANK YOU to everyone who attended and helped at our Scholastic Book Fair

Date of Book Fair: November 2017
Account Number: 1700208 Scholastic Book Fair Coordinator: Rachel O'Connor