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TREETOPS &
BREAKFAST
CLUB
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MUST BE
MADE TODAY
PLEASE

Pyrford Church of England Primary School

9 February 2018

Good morning and welcome to our last newsletter of this half term. It really doesn't seem a minute since it was Christmas, but we are never ones to moan about a week's break from marking and planning. Despite the fact that this half term has only been 5 teaching weeks, we have certainly had our challenges behind the scenes covering sickness and absence of staff so hopefully as the spring weather arrives, so will better health.

I am deeply saddened to report that Miss Ferris is off on compassionate leave following the death of her father and we extend our sympathies to her and her family. Mrs Rayner, who only retired in the summer, has kindly agreed to teach Willow class for the rest of this term. We are so grateful to her for providing the continuity for the children in Willow class whom she has been teaching over the last couple of weeks.

I do have exciting news to share on the teaching front with you, I am pleased to share that Mrs Stanley is expecting her first baby in June. I am sure that you will join me in congratulating Mrs Stanley with this exciting news as we all await the arrival later this year.

We are also delighted to be welcoming Mrs Pollard back to work after half term as her maternity leave comes to an end. She will be sharing the role of SENCO with Mrs Newman.

You will find overleaf week 4 of my feedback regarding the questionnaire. This week we have touched on clubs which was a common area for many. Hopefully the detail will give you some explanation as to what we offer, what we would like to offer, the challenges we face and what we are proposing as a way forward for now. Whilst undertaking some research about clubs in the school, it brought to the forefront just how much the dynamics of the school community has changed. Some II years ago, we started to hear from parents that there was some demand for a breakfast club. When we set this up, there were 8 children who attended. This has now grown phenomenally and whilst over 120 children attend over the week, an average of approximately 60/70 children attend every day. School didn't really start to come to life until about 8.30am in the morning, but it is a bright and buzzing place by about 7.40am with a guaranteed queue of children at the door. School is just the same until 6.00pm in the evenings when teachers and parents collect their children before heading off home. We currently serve approximately 520 hot meals (breakfast, lunch and tea) each day to children and staff. Pyrford is most definitely a busy place which for most of the time runs like a well oiled machine!

It has been 'Safer Internet Day' this week at school and we have as usual been sharing age appropriate internet safety information with your children. However it has come to my notice, having dealt with a number of issues over recent weeks, that children as young as 4 are exposed to games and videos which are most definitely age inappropriate. Please as a school community can we work together to safeguard our children so that they are not exposed to inappropriate videos, games and online content. You should have received a letter about film and internet safety sent yesterday - a copy is on the website under 'Information'.

We will be back at school on Monday 19th February and look forward to welcoming you all back. I hope that you have an enjoyable half term and manage to spend time with friends and family.

Best wishes.

Kathryn Krynicki Headteacher

Week 4 feedback

Clubs including music, sports and arts outside of school hours

"School clubs which cover all interests and are provided by the school as opposed to external providers who charge for attendance: dance, gymnastics for example." "Lunchtime clubs." "More clubs." "More sports" "More extra-curricular activities to be offered (especially after school)"

This issue was the most commented on in our 'areas for development' aspect of the questionnaire. It has also been the area most discussed with staff, parent rep groups and governors. We have spent a long time researching what other schools are offering and charging. Our results show that we are generally offering far more than other primary schools in and around Surrey and our charging is also in line with other schools. However we have had some thoughts about improvements and other options which we are investigating.

Below are some facts which show what we offer and some of the obstacles we need to overcome!

Facts about clubs/extra-curricular activities at Pyrford

Over 80% of pupils attend at least one club per week.

TreeTops has between 60 and 80 pupils attend each day! When we first opened almost 3 years ago this was around 30 pupils. A similar number of pupils attend Breakfast Club each day.

Over 160 pupils are currently learning to play an instrument at school throughout the week.

Football and running club are the most heavily subscribed sports clubs this half term.

The school is open to pupils between 7.45am and 6.00pm for 51 weeks of the year, 38 weeks are for term time teaching and all the other weeks are to provide additional clubs and activities.

Some of the challenges we face in being able to provide more clubs include

Space! Having only one hall (this was not our choice, we would have loved two but sadly Government funding only provides for one) limits space before and after school as this is the place we need to serve meals and activities for our 80 Breakfast Club and TreeTops children. Classroom space is also taken up for changing and storing kits for those who participate in sports clubs after school.

All of our outdoor space is also pretty much used up after school by the clubs we already offer as you can see from the timetable overleaf.

Funding – staff who support and run clubs do this entirely in their own time and without payment. If they did more of this it would take them away from their already full working day and there are an awful lot of books to turn around each night!

Lack of volunteers - we have some fantastic volunteers but just not enough! If you have an idea for a club and we have space, we can happily provide the resources for you.

After half term we will also be offering the following free lunchtime clubs to KS2 pupils. These have been planned by year 6 pupils and are overseen by staff. Full details will be sent to all KS2 pupils.

ICT club
Quiz club
Art & craft (2 lunchtimes)
Drawing
Cat's cradle
Origami
Drama

We are also running a boot camp on the playground during Thursday lunchtimes and from half term, teachers will be teaching booster lessons before and after school to invited pupils. Gardening club is also intending to be up and running in the Spring term courtesy of some great volunteering from parents.

We will continue to run as many clubs as possible to meet the needs of the children and the requests we receive. The PTA have offered to fund a number of kits and resources to support clubs so that we can still continue to offer a number of free, as well as paid, clubs. The PTA are also looking to raise money for an 'Arts facility' which we can use for music lessons as well as after school for some Arts based clubs. Watch this space.

If there is a club that we don't currently offer, please let us know and we will do our utmost to investigate further to see if we can get it up and running.

Spring Term Club Offer

Monday 12.15 - 12.45	French - La Jolie Ronde (08/01-19/03)	Year 4	£4.60
Monday 12.45 - 1.15	French - La Jolie Ronde (8/01-19/03)	Year 3	£4.60
Monday 3.10 - 6.00	Treetops After School Club	All years	£13 (£10 for siblings)
Monday 3.15 - 4.15	Sport4Kids Kwik Cricket (08/01-26/03)	Years 3 - 6	£49.50 (term)
Monday 3.15 - 4.20	Pleiades SkillZone Soccer (08/01-26/03)	Years I - 4	£66 (term)
Monday 3.15 - 4.15	Pyrford Blazers Football Club	Boys Years 5 & 6 & Gir	ls Years 3 - 6
Tuesday 12.15 - 12.45	French - La Jolie Ronde (09/01-20/03)	Year 2	£4.60
Tuesday 12.45 - 1.15	French - La Jolie Ronde (09/01-20/03)	Year 2	£4.60
Tuesday 3.15 - 4.15	S4K Football Academy (09/01-27/03)	All years	£49.50 (term)
Tuesday 3.10 - 6.00	Treetops After School Club	All years	£13 (£10 for siblings)
Wednesday 11.45 - 12.15	Recorders - Mrs Nightingale	Year 2	
Wednesday 12.45 - 13.15	KS2 Choir	Years 3 - 6	
Wednesday 12.15 - 12.45	French - La Jolie Ronde (10/01-21/03)	Year I	£4.60
Wednesday 12.15 - 12.45	Recorders - Mrs Nightingale	Year 3	
Wednesday 12.45 - 1.15	Recorders - Mrs Nightingale	Year 4	
Wednesday 3.10 - 6.00	Treetops After School Club	All years	£13 (£10 for siblings)
Wednesday 3.15 - 4.15	SK4 Dance Academy @ the Church (10/01-28/03)		£49.50 (term)
Wednesday 3.15 - 4.15	Chobham Rugby (10/01-21/03)	Years I - 6	£35 (term)
Thursday lunchtime	French - La Jolie Ronde (11/01-22/03)	Year I	£4.60
Thursday 12.15 - 12.45	French - La Jolie Ronde (11/01-22/03)	Year 6	£4.60
Thursday 12.45 - 1.15	French - La Jolie Ronde (11/01-22/03)	Year 5	£4.60
Thursday 3.10 - 6.00	Treetops After School Club	All years	£13 (£10 for siblings)
Thursday 3:15 - 3:45	Prayer Group (starts 11/01)	All years & parents	in Maple Class
Thursday 3:15 - 4:15	KS2 Choir	Years 3 - 6	
Friday 11.45 - 12.15	Recorders - Mrs Nightingale	Year 2	
Friday 12.15 - 12.45	Recorders - Mrs Nightingale	Year 3	
Friday 12.45 - 1.15	Recorders - Mrs Nightingale	Years 4 - 6 Advanced	
Friday 3.10 - 6.00	Treetops After School Club	All years	£13 (£10 for siblings)
Friday 3.15 - 4.15	Junior Running Club	Years 3 - 6	
Friday 3.15 - 4.15	Sport4Kids Netball (12/01-23/03)	Years 3 - 6	£45 (term)

Congratulations to our Golden Book winners

Squirrels - Dexter Don Carolis for coming to nursery with a smile and for brilliant rhyming work.

Hazel - Maddy Elliott for writing an excellent magic potion.

Beech - Ahmed Maricar for brilliant 'Bear Hunt' ideas.

Chestnut - Amelia Caulfield for trying so hard with her Maths.

Oak - Jake Stimson for working really hard all the time.

Cedar - Leala Brown for excellent work in Maths.

Hawthorn - Tayba Ahmed for improved effort in all her work.

Elm - Harry Beeson for always doing his best and producing a consistently high standard of work.

Juniper - Aaron Gay for working hard in English and producing some great work.

Maple - Musa Mushtaq for writing a super poem based on a character in our book called Krindlekrax.

Alder - Oliver Krikorian for writing an informative information poster about railways coming to Pyrford.

Larch - Mylee Alison for writing an informative and well-presented poster about railways coming to Pyrford.

Cherry - George Sutherland for excellent Maths on factors, multiples and multiplying mentally.

Rowan - Eleanor Povey for some excellent work in RE.

Willow - Assvigan Manoharan for excellent art work and a great determination to finish.

Laurel - Emily Cobbett for a creative and informative story map in English.

Holly - Maddie Cuckow for a creative and informative story map in English.



In assembly after the half term holiday we are thinking about **Shrove Tuesday, Ash Wednesday and Lent**

This week a team of mathematicians from Years 3 and 4 attended a Maths Event run by Authors Abroad at a local primary school. Thomas, Iris and Emilia from Year 3 were supported by their Year 4 friends, Sarah and Eleanor.

Thomas said: "First we did fractions. We had a satsuma, we peeled it and we found all the fractions. Then we used polydron to make 3D shapes. We had to make them out of 6 squares and 4 triangles, then 6 squares and 6 triangles and then 8 triangles. The best bit was doing the polydron. It was good fun because we got to build shapes for a long time and we found out the nets of the different shapes. Not all the nets work. We worked as a team. We were a great team."

Iris said "It was great. We worked as a team and I would recommend this day to other people".

The children were fabulous ambassadors for our school and Mrs Becker, who accompanied them, was proud of their hard work and cheerful team work.







SCHOOL DATES FOR 2017—2018 ACADEMICYEAR

Description	Date	Time
Spring Half term	12 - 16 February	
Yr 6 Greek workshop	Thu 22 February	
World Book Day	Thu I March	
Yr 5 to Warner Bros Studio tour	Tue 6 March	
Larch class to Synagogue	Wed 7 March	
Some Yr 2 to KS1 Music Festival @ St Andrew's	Wed 7 March	13:30-15:00
Spring Term Parents' Meetings	Wed 7 March	15:30-17:30
Alder class to Synagogue	Thu 8 March	
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Yr 5 to Fullbrook for 'Little Shop of Horrors'	Fri 9 March	
Yr 2 to Brooklands Museum	Wed 14 March	
Yr 6 Junior Citizen at Woking Football Club	Wed 21 March	am
Friends' Quiz Night	Sat 24 March	
Yr 5 Residential to Fairthorne Manor	Mon 26 - Thu 29 March	
Yr I African Drumming Workshop	Wed 28 March	pm
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 - I3 April	
First Day of Summer Term	Mon 16 April	
Yr I 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 Residential to High Ashurst (all Elm + Maple boys)	Mon 30 April - Tue I May	
Yr 4 Tropical Zoo	Wed 2 May	
May Bank Holiday	Mon 7 May	
Yr 3 Residential to High Ashurst (all Juniper + Maple girls)	Tue 8 - Wed 9 May	
Nursery - Yr 2 Drama4All Workshops	Wed 9 May	
Circus	Sun 13 May	
SATs Week	14 - 18 May	
Yr 4 Bikeability Course	Wed 23 - Thu 24 May	
Summer Half term	28 May - I June	
Yr 6 Bikeability Couse	Mon 4 - Fri 8 June	
KS2 Choir to Primary Music Festival - Aldershot	Mon II June	16:15-20:30
Yr 2 to The Lookout Discovery Centre	Tue 12 June	10.13-20.30
Yr 4 to Wisley	Wed 13 June	
Yr 4-6 Choir to Singing Picnic in Woking Park	Fri 15 June	10:30-13:30
PTA Golf Day	Fri 15 June	10.50-15.50
Yr 6 Residential to Gaveston Hall	18 - 22 June	
Yr I to Chessington PTA Masked Ball at Brooklands	Thu 21 June	
	Fri 22 June	
Yr 3 class to Henley Fort	Mon 25 June	12.20
Yr 6 Leavers' Service at Guildford Cathedral	Mon 25 June	12:30
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 & KS1 Sports Day	Tue 10 July	am

KS2 Sports Day	Thu 12 July	
Pyrford & Wisley Flower Show	Sat 14 July	
KS2 After School Choir to 'No Sound Ever Dies'	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	

Dear Parents,

World Book Day will take place this year on **Thursday 1st March 2018.** We would love to make the day an exciting one with all the children dressing up as their favourite book character. If you are stuck for ideas, the website below provides many fun and easy character costume ideas:

https://www.theguardian.com/childrens-books-site/gallery/2016/feb/23/world-book -day-2016-costume-ideas-dressup-quide

World Book Day celebrates the joy and value of books and reading. To help them get started on their reading journey, every child will receive a **£1 World Book Day Token** that can either be exchanged for one of TEN special £1 World Book

Day books, or used to get £1 of any book costing £2.99 or more. You can find out more about the books at: http://www.worldbookday.com/books/

Your child's token will be sent home with them and can be redeemed at most UK bookshops. Please help your child to use it by visiting your local bookshop - if you need help finding one, visit http://booksellers.org.uk/bookshopsearch

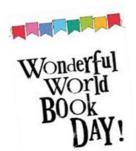
We will also be taking part in the National competition, where the children will be designing their own book token to try to win prizes for the school and themselves. Please return entries on the form being sent home by **Monday 12th March 2018**. (The child's full name and age must be printed on the back of the sheet.)

Children are never too young to start their journey with books, and the benefits of reading are enormous- so we hope, like us, you will use World Book Day to celebrate it with your child.

Many thanks,

Mrs Goree

PS - The kitchen are getting in on the act too - expect Charlie & the Chocolate Factory Iced Chocolate Cake for pudding on World Book Day!





EARLY BIRD BREAKFAST CLUB

The children were *beating* down the doors to get at the pancakes for breakfast today. They were so *egg-cited* and it was a *flipping* good way to get them to eat fruit!

















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TREETOPS

This week the theme at Treetops has been Valentines. The children have had great fun making heart shaped shortbread biscuits and decorating them with icing and red sprinkles. There have also been many Valentines cards made with all sorts of lovely designs and messages from the children. As well as heart collages and lots of Valentines colouring, some of the children also had

a go at some simple sewing to produce felt heart decorations.

One of the pictures below shows children dressed up, which is a common indulgence of many of the children during Treetops sessions. Another shows some of the children having a chill out time on our new cosy bean bags.

Our theme after half term will be The Chinese New Year. From all of the team at Treetops - We wish you a very restful and happy half term.

















Friends of Pyrford Primary









When? Saturday 24th March

Where? School Hall

Time? 7pm for 7.30pm start

Price includes
fish and chips
(negetarian
available
on request)

Cost? £10 per person (max 8 per team)





- * Return the entry form with payment in an envelope marked QUIZ NIGHT to the Friends post box in the school reception. One cheque per team please, made payable to F.P.P.S.
- * If you don't have a team but would like to come we will fix you up with another team.
- * The closing date for entries is the 9th March space is limited and tickets sell out very fast.
- * Confirmation will be sent to your team leader.





Wine, Prosecco, beer and soft drinks available from the cash bar

Friends of Pyrford Primary







BOOKING FORM

Team Name:	
Team Leader:	
Email:	
Child's Name/Class:	
Team Members: 1	Please feel free to bring nibbles to share on your tables but remember you're in a NUT FREE ZONE! If you require the vegetarian option please indicate next member's name using on the share of the relevant team using on the share of the relevant team using on the share of the s
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We enclose £10 per person or £80 per team entry.

Please put this form, along with payment (cheque made payable to Friends of Pyrford Primary), in the Friends box located by the school office.

Thank you in advance...If you have any questions please email Sara Freeman freemansarak@gmail.com

CASH BAR ONLY - PLEASE LEAVE YOUR BOTTLES AT HOME

CLOSING DATE FOR ORDERS: THURSDAY 1ST MARCH



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Out of the 80 million chocolate Easter Eggs sold each year, The Real Easter Egg is the only Fairtrade one with the Easter story in the box. www.realeasteregg.co.uk

or cheque payable to 'Pyrford Church of England Primary School'		
return to office with cash	TOTAL	£
Special Edition (200g milk choc egg, 80g orange milk choc bar, olive wood holding cross keyring, simple guide to Easter)	@ £9.99	£
Dark (165g dark choc egg + 3 x 5g dark choc squares)	@ £5.50	£
Original (125g milk choc egg + 25g chunky buttons)	@ £3.99	£
(original & dark eggs include 24 page Easter story-activity book)	Quantity	Total

NAME	CHILD'S NAME	CLASS



PPORTUNITY

Pyrford Primary School has supported Friends of Chernobyl's Children for many years. The charity brings disadvantaged children affected by the Chernobyl nuclear disaster from Belarus to stay with local families. Several families at the school have participated in this great cause and now the charity is looking for 4 more families to each host a child this June. To find out more. please call Karen on: 07798 848 125 email: karendesnoo@yahoo.co.uk

"The best thing we've ever done as a family!"



Thank you for your support of the Children's Society through the Christingle collection at the Church of the Good Shepherd before Christmas. The total raised was £507.90









NERF Challenges, Bouncy Castles, International Sports.

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What People Say!

ctivities with endless fun!

"The best camp we've been to - high energy fun from start to finish - Sam can wait for the next one"

"Jessica left red-faced and exhausted." She slept the whole way home...we vill DEFINITELY be back tomorrow!"

Dates: 12th - 16th February 2018

Time: 8am - 6pm

Location: Pyrford Primary School,

Woking (GU22 8TG)

Details: £30 per day

Promotions:

10% S4K Member Discount

5% Sibling Discount

Book online at Sport4kids.biz





Raising Your Bilingual Child A workshop for parents

These workshops are aimed at parents interested in preserving the family's mother tongue or home language in an English-

They provide tips on gracefully negotiating the many language issues within a multilingual family whilst developing both the child's mother tongue or home language and the English language

	19:00-21:00	9:00-11:00
Nov	9 th	10 th
Feb	1 st	2 nd
Mar	22 nd	23 rd
May	24 th	25 th

* Maintaining your mother tongue or home language

* Developing your child's English

ISL Surrey Old Woking Road Surrey, GU22 8HY

Book a place

Did you witness a parking incident in the church car park yesterday afternoon?

A grey Citroen Picasso sustained damage to its door.

If you have any information please leave your details with the school office.

Cut-price theatre tickets at New Victoria Theatre, Woking



FPPS (Friends of Pyrford C of E Primary School) has secured seats at great rates for Shrek the Musical, thanks to the New Victoria Theatre's group discounts. Every ticket bought through us will automatically also contribute at least £2 to our school fund. Join the fun! Please fill out the form and return to the FRIENDS box in the School office.

A NIGHT AT THE THEATRE – June 2018

No of tickets you require	Date	time	Seat location	Your price	Reduced from
	Tuesday 5 th June 2018	7pm	Upper Circle – back rows	£23.00 each	£28.50
			Upper Circle – front rows	£32.00 each	£37.50

Best seats will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

I would like (number of ti FPPS for £	(4-4-1
Name:	
email:	
Tel:	Child's Name & Class:

- 1. Please note that contact info is essential in order to receipt payment and arrange ticket collection.
- 2. All ticket requests MUST be received **with payment** by the 9th March 2018 but the earlier the better to secure seats.
- 3. Please return this slip & payment to the Friends box at the school office window, clearly marking your envelope 'Shrek'. For any queries, please email emilykidd78@gmail.com or call 07970 870014.

THANK YOU for supporting our school and here's to a fun family evening!