

Pyrford Church of England Primary School

16 November 2018



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Good morning. School is buzzing today with the excitement of mufti-day. What is it about not wearing uniform? Even the singing in assembly is full throttle today - still it is a joy to hear and a great opportunity for whole school worship to take place.

This week seems to have flown by, although my body is telling me it is definitely Friday! There has been lots going on at school both day and night.

Thank you to everyone who supported our book fair this week. My sincere apologies that it was so chaotic on Tuesday when we held it in the corridor. This isn't the ideal place but school is so busy all the time that it was the only place we had available after school on Tuesday. Luckily the sun shone on Wednesday and we were able to hold it outside. We are reviewing when and how we organise it next year. We managed to raise a phenomenal £1,111.81 to spend on books for the school thanks to all of your purchases. This makes a real difference to the teachers and children in the school.

We held our prospective parent meetings and tours on Thursday this week. They were very well attended, particularly in the evening. I would like to express my thanks to the Year 6 pupils who showed our visitors around the school. We received a number of compliments both verbally and in writing following the tours, praising the children for their confidence, enthusiasm and ability to articulate themselves so well. All of the pupils who undertook this role during the day and evening yesterday were a real credit to the school and their parents.

Year 6 headed out to Marwell Zoo this week as a follow up to the work they have been doing around evolution and inheritance. This also supported the work they had done in Year 5 about conservation. A great day was had by all. Thanks as always to parents who gave up their time to accompany the children.

The PTA had their AGM on Wednesday evening where they shared how much money has been raised over the year, what it has been spent on and our future spending plans. A copy of the slides will be made available for everyone to read for themselves. The PTA do a fantastic job for the school, working hard to provide all of the additional items which the school budget is unable to stretch to.

Can I remind you that the photographer will be coming into school next Wednesday and Thursday. We will be doing our best to ensure children are looking smart and clean and will be getting the youngest children's photographs taken first. Please remind older children that it is helpful if they don't roll around on the playground floor at lunch time!

Finally thank you for your kind donations which you have sent in today ahead of our Christmas Fayre, they are greatly appreciated.

Have a great weekend.

Kathryn Krynicki Headteacher

Congratulations to our Colden Book winners

Squirrels - Chloe Withers for writing her name and joining in enthusiastically with our number rhymes.

Hazel - Sebastian Scott for excellent phonics.

Beech - Ben Du Toit for excellent phonics work.

Chestnut - Eloise Lawes for creating amazing games in the outside classroom.

Oak - Henry Kershaw for some great Maths learning.

Cedar - Charlie Simpson for working really hard on his Maths.

Hawthorn - Grace Freeman for lovely writing about Florence Nightingale.

Elm - Eloise Bradshaw for a beautiful oil pastel drawing of a volcano.

Maple - Edward Lamb for fantastic subtraction in columns with exchange and explaining it so well!

Birch - Cameron Blacker for great work on perimeter in Maths.

Alder - Winnie Symes for a well-presented piece of work in Topic.

Larch - Amelia Naseem for writing a great adventure story about Gangsta Granny.

Cherry - Mylee Alison for showing resilience when faced with a Maths investigation (finding factors).

Willow - Jessica Attfield for a well written retell of the life of the prophet, Muhammad.

Year 6 not awarded as on a trip.

INDIVIDUAL PUPIL PHOTOS - WEDNESDAY 21ST & THURSDAY 22ND NOVEMBER



Our photographer from Fraser Green will be in next week to take photos of all the children on their own and in sibling groups.

Each morning we will start with some of the Squirrels children and will do their sibling shots at that time. On the Wednesday we are planning to take only individual photos of the children in the school.

On Thursday we will take individual photos of any children not photographed on Wednesday and we will also make arrangements for all the siblings in the school to have a photo together.

Please make sure your children are looking at their best on both days.

The photographer is able to take some family group photos from 3:15pm on the Wednesday. Please email Mrs Anderson to make an appointment (<u>c.anderson@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk</u>) or ask at the office.



PRAYER CLUB
Thursdays, 3:15 - 3:50 pm
in Maple Class

Prayer Club is for all children and parents are welcome.

Including special prayers for the children and staff - this time for Year 5.



Year 6 visit Marwell Zoo

On 14th November Year 6 travelled to Marwell Zoo, to experience the unforgettable. Our study - animal adaptation - came to life in the Science & Learning Centre. To our pleasure, animal skins, skulls and bodies donated

by the animal smugglers police, laid on the floor to deduce the adaptations to their habitat. Facts gave us awe to find out the supreme adapter was a rat.

The animals that met our eyes fascinated us with wonder.

After lunch we had some time to walk around and explore the zoo. Some of the highlights of the day were: watching the giraffes eat their lunch; watching the penguins diving in and out of the water; gazing at the Great Grey Owl looking very majestic on his perch; and watching the snow

leopard having an afternoon snooze.

It was a fantastic day out!













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Applications for September 2019 are now OPEN!

Follow the link below for application forms, register of interest forms and admissions policy.

https://www.squirrelsnurserypyrford.co.uk/page/?title=Forms&pid=9

SCHOOL DATES FOR 2018—2019 ACADEMICYEAR

Description	Date	Time
Photographer for Individual Photos	Wed & Thu 21 & 22 Nov	
Bring a Gift Day for Secret Santa donations	Wed 28 November	
African Children's Choir Concert at CoGS	Wed 28 November	19:00 - 20:30
KSI Jam Jars to School	Thu 29 November	
Christmas Fayre	Sat I December	
Bag2School collection	Mon 3 December	
'Robin Hood' Panto for whole school	Tue 4 December	
Yr 4 class to Guildford Museum	Wed 5 December	
Yr 4 class to Guildford Museum	Thu 6 December	
Yr 3 Romans & Celts Day	Thu 6 December	
Yr 4 class to Guildford Museum	Fri 7 December	
PTA Parents' Christmas Party	Fri 7 December	
Christmas Tree Sale	Sun 9 December	
Squirrels Sing Christmas	Mon I0 December	14:30-15;00
Yr R Christmas Production	Tue II December	09:30
KSI Christmas Production	Tue II December	14:00
KSI Christmas Production	Wed I2 December	09:30
Squirrels Sing Christmas	Thu I3 December	14:30-15;00
Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day	Fri 14 December	
KS2 Christmas Carols at CoGS	Mon 17 December	evening
KS2 Christmas Carols at CoGS	Tue 18 December	afternoon
Junior Christmas Disco	Tue 18 December	18:30-20:00
School Christmas Service at CoGS	Wed 19 December	09:30
Last Day of Autumn Term	Wed 19 December	finish at 13:30
Christmas Holidays	20 December to 2 January	
INSET Day	Thu 3 January	
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First Day of Spring Term	Mon 7 January	
Primary Admissions deadline	Tue 15 January	
Yr 3 class to Pizza Express	Wed 16 January	
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Yr 4 to Synagogue	Thu 31 January	
o2 Young Voices Concert	Fri I February	
Yr 6 Bikeability	Mon 4 - Fri 8 February	
PTA Quiz Night	Fri 8 February	
Spring Half term	18 - 22 February	
Yr 6 Greek workshop	Thu 28 February	
Yr I to Windsor Castle	Tue 5 March	
Yr 2 to Brooklands Museum	Thu 14 March	
Yr 5 to the Mosque	Thu 21 March	
Yr 4 Residential to Hindleap	Mon I - Wed 3 April	
School Easter Service at CoGS	Fri 5 April	09:30
		finish at 13:30
Last Day of Spring Term	Fri 5 April	linish at 13:30
Easter Holidays	8 - 22 April	
First Day of Summer Term	Tue 23 April	
Yr 5 Viking workshop	Mon 29 April	
Recontion to British Wildlife Contro	Wed I May	
Reception to British Wildlife Centre May Bank Holiday	Mon 6 May	

Description	Date	Time
SATs Week	13 - 17 May	
Yr 5 Residential to West Dean	Tue 14 - Fri 17 May	
Yr 4 Tropical Zoo Workshop	Wed 22 May	
Summer Half term	27 - 31 May	
INSET Day	Mon 3 June	
Yr 2 to The Look Out Discovery Centre	Tue II June	
Yr 3 class to Henley Fort	Wed 12 June	
Yr 3 class to Henley Fort	Thu 13 June	
Yr 6 Residential to Liddington Hall	Mon 17 - Fri 21 June	
Yr I to Chessington	Tue 18 June	
Yr 4 to Wisley	Wed 19 June	
Yr 6 Leavers' Service at Guildford Cathedral	Thu 27 June	
Secondary School Induction Days	Tue 2 and/or Wed 3 July	
Yr 2 Pedals Course	Thu 4 July	
PTA Family BBQ	Fri 12 July	
Leavers' Service at CoGS	Wed 24 July	09:30
Last Day of Summer Term	Wed 24 July	finish at 13:30

Explore Learning Primary Maths Challenge 'The Competition'

Last week, four marvellous mathematicians attended the Explore Learning
Centre in Knaphill to participate in the Primary Maths Challenge. Using their
great problem solving strategies and teamwork skills, the children worked
together to complete some incredibly tricky problems. Points were awarded
for teamwork, strategy and actual answers. We await final results until all schools have
participated in the first round.

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The fabulous four were fantastic ambassadors for the school and worked brilliantly together. Thank you to Mrs Carey for accompanying them.

Well done to Gabi Booth, Alice Clark, Srinath Nair and Jack Thongtan!

10 children took part in the Woking Music Festival on Tuesday evening. They had to perform 2 songs on stage in front of the judges and the 3 other schools taking part. I was very proud of how well they performed and although they didn't win they did receive some very positive feedback from the judges. Thank you to Mrs Reynell for rehearsing with them.

Mrs Gill





7 questions to help you start a conversation with your child about online safety

#WakeUpWednesday



Which apps/games are you using at the moment?

THIS WILL GIVE YOU A GOOD OVERVIEW OF THE TYPES OF THINGS YOUR CHILDREN ARE DOING ON THEIR DEVICES, ALONG WITH THEIR INTERESTS. REMEMBER THAT THEY MIGHT NOT TELL YOU EVERYTHING THEY ARE USING, SO IT IS A GOOD IDEA TO ASH THEM TO SHOW YOU THEIR DEVICE. BECAUSE NEW APPS AND GAMES ARE RELEASED REGULARLY, IT IS IMPORTANT TO HAVE THIS CONVERSATION OFTEN TO ENSURE YOU ARE UP TO DATE WITH WHAT THEY ARE DOING.



AS IN THE TIP ABOVE, ASKING THIS QUESTION WILL ALLOW YOU TO FIND OUT WHAT YOUR CHILD IS DOING ONLINE, AND ENCOURAGE POSITIVE CONVERSATIONS ABOUT THEIR ONLINE ACTIVITY. ASK THEM HOW THEY USE THE WEBSITES, AND TAKE AN INTEREST IN HOW THEY CAN USE THEM IN A POSITIVE WAY, ALSO ASKING THEM TO SHOW YOU IF POSSIBLE.





How does this game/app work? Can I play?

SHOW A GENUINE INTEREST IN WHAT THEY ARE DOING. WHILST YOU ARE PLAYING A GAME OR USING AN APP WITH THEM, IT MIGHT HIGHLIGHT SOMETHING THAT THEY DON'T NECESSARILY THINK IS A DANGER TO THEM. IF THEY ACT LIKE THEY DON'T WANT TO SHARE THEIR ACTIVITIES WITH YOU, QUESTION WHY.

Do you have any online friends?

CHILDREN CAN FORM POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH PEOPLE ONLINE, AND THIS HAS BECOME MORE COMMON THANHS TO ONLINE MULTI-PLAYER OPTIONS, BUT THEY MAY NOT FULLY UNDERSTAND THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A FRIEND AND A STRANGER. YOU COULD MAKE THE QUESTION MORE SPECIFIC TO YOUR CHILD, FOR EXAMPLE: "HAVE YOU MET ANYONE ONLINE THAT YOU LIKE TO PLAY GAMES WITH?" THEY MAY NOT WANT TO SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOU, SO ENSURE YOU TEACH THEM ABOUT HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS.





ALTHOUGH YOU MAY BE THE ADULT THEY TRUST THE MOST, SOME CHILDREN STRUGGLE TO TALH ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS ONLINE DUE TO CONFUSION OR EMBARRASSMENT. BECAUSE OF THIS THEY MAY STRUGGLE TO APPROACH THE NORMAL PEOPLE WHO WOULD HELP, SUCH AS YOURSELF OR A TEACHER, HAVE A CHAT TO YOUR CHILD ABOUT EXACTLY WHERE THEY CAN GO FOR HELP, AND HOW THEY CAN REPORT ANY ACTIVITY THAT THEY BELIEVE IS INAPPROPRIATE ONLINE.

Do you know what your personal information is?









CHILDREN MAY NOT UNDERSTAND THE NEGATIVE IMPACTS OF DEVICE OR GAME ADDICTION. TALK TO THEM OPENLY ABOUT HEALTHY HABITS AND ASK WHETHER OR NOT THEM SPENDING TIME ONLINE OR PLAYING A GAME IS AFFECTING THEIR SLEEP, PERFORMANCE AT SCHOOL OR IF THEY ARE GENERALLY LOSING INTEREST IN OTHER ACTIVITIES. YOU MAY LEAD ON TO ENCOURAGING ALTERNATIVE ACTIVITIES AND DISCUSSING THE INTRODUCTION OF TIME LIMITS WHEN AT HOME.





GIFTS, RAFFLES, SANTA'S GROTTO, PHOTOGRAPHER.

PHOTOGRAPHER, SECRET SANTA, BBQ, REFRESHMENTS & MULLED WINE. 1ST DECEMBER 2018 11AM - 2PM

COLDHARBOUR ROAD PYRFORD GU22 8SP

ALL WELCOME!





We are looking for qualified First Aiders to volunteer at the Christmas Fayre on 1st

December.

If you are able to help, please contact Jenny Watkins by email

jcarussia@hotmail.com

We desperately need some Santas for a 45 minute slot on the Christmas Fayre day. Please come forward as it's essential to grotto!

http://www.slottr.com/ sheets/13140743

Help Raise Money for Our School!

This week you should have received a collection bag for you to fill with all your old clothes, paired shoes, hats, belts, handbags, soft toys, bedding, curtains and towels.

All items will be redistributed to people who need them and in return we get 40p for every kilo collected – so far we have raised nearly £400!!!!

Please no uniforms, duvets, pillows or cushions.

Extra bags are available at the office.

Please bring your bags to the Practical Room by 9am on Monday 3rd December, 2018.

Thank you!!



















SUNDAY **9TH** DECEMBER 10am - 1pm Pyrford Primary School Coldharbour Road Pyrford | GU22 8SP

Cheques & cash only. Local delivery for a small donation

All profits go directly to the school Friends of Pyrford C of E Primary School Registered Charity 1047320

A message from the Pyrford Primary PTA...

Please think of us when you start your Christmas shopping this year!



Easy Fundraising is a great way to raise money for the PTA while you shop online, and the beauty of it is that it won't cost you a penny.



Some schools have raised in excess of £8000 just by doing their normal online shopping, and with Christmas on the way it's a great time to sign up and encourage friends and family to do the same.

This is how it works: you can either access a retailers website via the EasyFundraising website, add their donation reminder button to your browser, or use the EasyFundraising app. The retailer will automatically make a donation based on a percentage of what you spend. E.g. The Book People will donate up to 5% of your spend, John Lewis will donate up to 2%, Virgin Experience Days will donate up to 6% and Boden will donate up to 4%.

Simply...



I. Join

Head to EasyFundraising.com and sign up to support our cause.



2. Shop

Log in to easyfundraising every time you shop online.



3. Raise

After you've made your purchase, the retailer will make a donation to us.

easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofpyrfordps

Thank You!

















Join us at our Christingle event

Celebrate and show a child they're not alone this Christmas.

We would love for you, your friends and your family to join us at our Christingle celebration so we can help to support vulnerable children.

Date: 9th December

Time: 4 PM

Location: Church of the Good Shepherd

Please contact: Gay Clothier 07808 584 417

christingle.org



Woking Food Bank need your help!

They are pulling together Christmas Hampers for people and families that are really struggling. Amongst the usual needs, they are looking for donations of:

- · Chocolate Selection Boxes
- Christmas Cakes/Puddings
 - Instant Custard
 - Advent Calendars
 - Seasonal Treats
 - Tinned Meat

Can you help spread a little joy this Christmas? As

you set out to pick up these goodies for your families, if you can donate an item that would be awesome!

There will be a donation box in reception at school or you can contact Lianne (07583 065384) for a collection if easier. Last donations by Friday 30th November please. ~ Thank you!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED NOW TO RUN THE SHOW



ROLES INCLUDE:

VICE CHAIRMAN TREASURER MINUTE SECRETARY **VOLUNTEER CO-ORDINATOR** ARENA EVENTS CO-ORDINATOR PRIZE GIVING CO-ORDINATOR

FOR FURTHER DETAILS PLEASE CONTACT THE CHAIRMAN ANDY GRIMSHAW ON 07910 291983 OR EMAIL info@pyrfordflowershow.org.uk or come to our Flower Show Celebration evening at CoGs Friday 23 November 2018 7.30 p.m.

