



# Pyrford Church of England Primary School

22 September 2017

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Flu Vaccination forms must be returned whether or not you wish your child to have the vaccination. Please make sure you return them on Monday as they are being collected on Tuesday. Thank you.

Good morning, it certainly feels as though autumn is setting in. We've succumbed at school to putting the heating on and I know many have followed suit at home.

You can't have failed to see that the long awaited play equipment has finally been installed. It is due to be completed ready for use next week. Workmen having been working 7-7 every day this week to ensure that it is completed as quickly as possible. This play area is for our KS2 pupils to use. There is a separate play area and equipment for EYFS and KS1 pupils at the Peatmore end of the school which, in time, we would also like to add to.

This week the new Diocesan Education Director, Alex Tear, visited the school to meet with myself and the Chair of governors and Incumbent. It was a good opportunity to discuss where Pyrford is as a school and what we have to offer the school led system as well as what lies ahead in the strategic landscape for church schools nationally. Alex is due to return to the school to meet with staff and pupils. Bishop Jo Bailey Wells, the Suffragan Bishop of Dorking is also visiting the school next month to meet with staff and pupils.

I am really pleased to announce that Mrs McAllister has successfully managed to gain a grant for the school through the Lottery fund. Mrs McAllister, our school business manager, put together a bid for 'Perfect Playtimes' and as such the funds can be put to good use to support all the fantastic work that the PTA have already achieved and to provide some much needed storage space for all the outdoor equipment we have for learning.

Whilst I am on the subject of playgrounds, please can I remind you all to put bikes and scooters in the appropriate storage spaces at the Coldharbour and Peatmore ends of the school. This also includes bikes and scooters of younger siblings. I have had a number of complaints from parents about younger siblings whizzing across the playground at drop off times. Bikes and scooters may be walked across the school site but not ridden.

Many thanks to those of you who have attended the curriculum workshops that have been run this week. Please feel free at any time to ask any questions, teachers have supplied email addresses at these meetings for you to use.

Wishing you all a good weekend.

Kathryn Krynicki  
Headteacher

Does your child have an EHCP?

Surrey are conducting research into the effectiveness of EHCPs. You will be aware that the school is frustrated with the statutory support it receives from the Local Authority and constant cuts to services. Please can I urge you to respond to this survey? Thank you.

Mrs Krynicki

*As you are aware, the council has a responsibility for ensuring that children and young people with EHC Plans are making good progress. We would like to hear from parents, children and young people about their education experiences, including those at mainstream, specialist and independent settings - from pre-school to post-16. We would specifically like to know if their EHC Plan supports the right provision for them to make good progress. The short survey should take no more than a few minutes to complete, and will be open from 21 September to 5 October 2017.*

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/EHCPProvision>

# Congratulations to our Golden Book winners

**Chestnut** - Emma Smith for always trying her best and being a good role model.

**Oak** - Theo Brockway for brilliant writing about Autumn.

**Cedar** - Freya Andrews for a fantastic Horrid Henry story.

**Hawthorn** - William Atkins for writing a fantastic Horrid Henry story.

**Elm** - Uzair Ahmed for fantastic work on place value in Maths.

**Juniper** - Thomas Atkins for fantastic work on place value in Maths.

**Maple** - William Boulby for making an excellent start in Maths with neatly set out work and well thought out answers.

**Alder** - Jessica Attfield for a lovely narrative poem.

**Larch** - Amy Spencer for a lovely narrative poem.

**Cherry** - Safiya Karim for a detailed and accurate timeline of WW1.

**Rowan** - Olivia Krynicki, Kaelle Lorvo & Claudia Shaw for fantastic work in topic on WW1.

**Willow** - Amy Price for a wonderful timeline on WW1.

**Laurel** - Larissa Johnston for writing an excellent diary entry full of character emotion.

**Holly** - Charlotte Richardson for writing an excellent diary entry in character style with emotion.



We are thrilled that our new squirrels have settled so well. It is a difficult time for some children and we are really pleased with how quickly they are settling. We have decided to have our lunches in the school hall this week. The children have been amazing and have really enjoyed the selection of salad and bread that has been provided alongside their regular meal. They have also enjoyed waving at their older brothers and sisters when they arrive and leave! It's so lovely that they are starting to feel a real part of the school.

We are already looking at our September 2018 intake and have had lots of applications in so far. Our admission policy prioritises children that are due to start school in the next academic year and so, due to the already heavy demand, it seems unlikely that we will be able to admit any children who have not turned 3 by 1st September 2018. Application forms are available on the website and must be submitted by 15 January 2018. Applicants will be informed at the end of April if they have been offered a place. If your child is already at Squirrels Nursery and will not start school until September 2019 they will, of course, keep their place.



## PARENT HELPERS

A big thank you to all the people who volunteered their time over the last school year to help in school - it was greatly appreciated.

If you would like to offer your help to the school this year, please could you fill in the slip below and send it in to school with your child.

You will need to complete a DBS check - please ask Mrs Anderson in the office for details (c.anderson@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk).

Once your DBS clearance has come through I will get in touch with you to let you know which class teacher to contact.

With our thanks in advance.

Mrs Little

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

CHILD'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

CLASS \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill in the table below as to when you are available to help.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning					
Afternoon					

I would prefer to help with:

Foundation Stage & Key Stage 1

Key Stage 2



## SCHOOL DATES FOR 2017—2018 ACADEMIC YEAR

Description	Date	Time
Yr 5 Curriculum Talk	Mon 25 September	15:30
Yr 3 Curriculum Talk	Tue 26 September	15:30
Yr 1 Curriculum Talk	Thu 28 September	15:30
PTA Annual General Meeting	Thu 28 September	<b>19:30</b>
Yr 4 Curriculum Talk	Fri 29 September	15:30
Yr 6 to Marwell Zoo	Thu 5 October	
Harvest Festival Service	Fri 6 October	09:30
Flu Vaccinations for Yrs R - 4	Thu 12 October	
Yr R Phonics & Reading Workshop	Thu 12 October	15:30
Yr 5 to Intech Planetarium	Tue 17 October	
Autumn Half term	23—27 October	
Yr 6 Secondary Admissions deadline	Tue 31 October	
School Photographer for individual photos	Wed 1 & Thu 2 November	
Perform Drama workshops	Tue 7 November	
Autumn Parents Meetings	Tue 7 November	15:30 - 17:30
Autumn Parents Meetings	Thu 9 November	15:30 - 19:30
Y6 measurement programme with School Nurse	Wed 15 November	pm
Presentation & Tour for Prospective Parents	Thu 16 November	10:00 & 14:00 & 19:00
<b>Willow &amp; Cherry to Imperial War Museum</b>	<b>Tue 21 November</b>	
<del>Yr 5 classes to Imperial War Museum</del>	<del>Wed 22 November</del>	
<b>Rowan Class to Imperial War Museum</b>	<b>Thu 23 November</b>	
<b>Friends' Christmas Fayre</b>	<b>Sat 25 November</b>	
KS2 Christmas Production	Fri 15 December	14:00
FS & KSI Christmas Parties	Wed 20 December	14:00
<b>Junior Christmas Disco</b>	<b>Wed 20 December</b>	<b>18:30 - 20:00</b>
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	
INSET Day	Fri 5 January	
First Day of Spring Term	Mon 8 January	
Primary Admissions deadline	Mon 15 January	
Yr 3 class to Pizza Express	Tue 16 January	
Yr 3 class to Pizza Express	Wed 17 January	
Yr 3 class to Pizza Express	Thu 18 January	
o2 Young Voices Concert	Tue 30 January	
Yr 4 class to Guildford Museum	Wed 7 February	
Yr 4 class to Guildford Museum	Thu 8 February	
Spring Half term	12 - 16 February	
Yr 6 Greek workshop	Thu 22 February	
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	

Description	Date	Time
First Day of Summer Term	Mon 16 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 Alice Holt	Tue 12 June	
Yr 4 to Wisley	Wed 13 June	
Yr 6 Residential to Gaveston Hall	18 - 22 June	
Yr 3 class to Henley Fort	Mon 25 June	
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	
Secondary 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	
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	

Prayer Group met for the first time this week and will continue to meet in Maple Class on Thursdays from 3:15—3:45pm. You can pop along one week or come every week as we pray generally and for our school. We will do some creative prayer together and then pray for the designated year group and teachers. All ages are welcome—bring a parent with you or return a permission slip to take part regularly. There will be a sign up sheet for each week at the office in case you just want to do a one off session. Pick up will be from the main entrance. Special prayer will be included for:

28th September Year 1 and their teachers	16th November Senior Leadership team and support staff
5th October Year 2 and their teachers	23rd November Reception, Year 1 and their teachers
12th October Year 3 and their teachers	30th November Year 2, Year 3 and their teachers
19th October Year 4 and their teachers	7th December Year 4, Year 5 and their teachers
2nd November Year 5 and their teachers	14th December Year 6, Senior Leadership Team and
9th November Year 6 and their teachers	support staff

Feel free to bring along any special prayer requests or email Suzanne ([Suzanne@wisleywithpyrford.org](mailto:Suzanne@wisleywithpyrford.org))

I give permission for \_\_\_\_\_ (name of child) from \_\_\_\_\_ class to attend prayer group on Thursday afternoons and will pick up at 3:45pm. Contact email/number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Guardian signature: .....

## School Garden Update

Our fabulous team of parent volunteers have had a busy couple of weeks in the garden this term and we have continued our battle with the persistent brambles in the fruit and veg zone, clearing the fence line between us and our neighbour and planting our new laurel hedge.



Sadly, the oak tree took a bit of a knock in some of the high winds we have been experiencing and we lost a couple of branches. Thank you to Stu Patrick who removed these and made the garden safe again.



### To do:

- Continue to clear the fruit and veg bed
- Dig over the sensory garden



- Make compost bins with reclaimed pallets
- Signage: entrance sign and various "zone" signs

### Good news:

The children are starting to use the school garden and activities such as bug hotels, bird houses, bulb planting are being planned for the Autumn term.

We are also excited to announce that we will be re-launching a Gardening Club after school on Mondays from April 2018 - more details to follow.

**We meet every Friday straight after school - feel free to join us this Friday!**



## PYRFORD SCHOOL JUNIOR RUNNING CLUB Years 4, 5 & 6\*

Starts Friday 22 September – School field

**Our parent led Junior Running Club is now in its third year and goes from strength to strength, thanks to the fantastic enthusiasm of our members and our team of parent volunteers, who are there whatever the weather!**

The following Year 6 parents continue to lead the club (all are DBS checked) supported by other willing parent volunteers: Jill Cobbett, Cathy Giddings and Alison Wong (with much valued ongoing support from Jacqui Moller-Butcher!). Please contact any of us if you have any queries.

\*Although aimed at Years 4, 5 & 6, we are interested to hear from Year 3 children and parents interested in attending and supporting in the future, as we may run events for Y3 in the summer term.

**When & where:** Fridays, weekly, 3.15 – 4.15pm – on the school field only.

Please note, parents may be called to collect children early in extreme weather conditions.

**What:** Fun, stamina training on the school field to lead to competitive, long distance runs up to around 2k.

**Why:** For fun! And for those who want to, to take part in competitive events (e.g. Surrey Cross-Country Championships, Spring 2018 @Reigate Park, WASPS Cross Country, Spring 2018 @ Goldsworth Park, etc).

**How:** Please complete the registration form which has been emailed to you this week and email it to Jacqui Moller-Butcher at [jacquimb@gmail.com](mailto:jacquimb@gmail.com) (or ask for a form at the office and return it to the office) by Wednesday 20 September. Your child may then attend the first session on Friday 22 September. Full club rules and criteria for membership, session plans and details of kit and equipment will be sent in reply.

# Woking District Boys Football Season 2017/18



**Do you want to represent the district with the Woking Boys Football Team?**

We are looking for boys in school Year 5 who have an aptitude in football to join our squad. From our squad, we select a team to play football against other districts.

#### What is District Football?

District football involves being selected from our training sessions to play for Woking Schools against other children from other districts. Therefore, it can be considered a huge achievement to be asked to play football for us out of all the boys in Woking! A lot of boys use us as a platform to higher level football.

#### Who are Woking Schools Football Association?

Woking Primary Schools F.A. represent Woking Primary Schools and have been running a football district team for boys for over 45 years now. We are a fun, friendly and dedicated association who offer football sessions to challenge talented boys, or for boys who want to quickly improve their skills to a higher level by training with us.



Can you spare 5-10 minutes after drop-off once a fortnight?

We need volunteers to help wash fruit and veg for the infant children (KS1)

If you can help or would like more information, please contact Fiona Lee ([fionalee1@yahoo.com](mailto:fionalee1@yahoo.com)). Thank you.



We compete in the following events:

- Cotswold League
- Cotswold Shield
- Southern Counties league
- Southern Counties Cup
- Shires Cup
- Geoff Richards League
- Geoff Richards Shield
- Surrey League
- Lancaster Cup
- Danone Nations Cup

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## THE PARENTING PUZZLE COURSE



**Raising children can be puzzling at times, but puzzles have solutions - and the Parenting Puzzle provides them**

**The Parenting puzzle** is an 11 week course that encourages parents and carers to enjoy bringing up children and get the best out of family life. It offers positive, practical ways of guiding children so they learn to handle both their feelings and their behaviour. The course is informal, fun and a great confidence booster.

*The next course is at Pyrford Children's Centre,  
Pyrford C/E Primary School, Coldharbour Road, Pyrford, Woking  
GU22 8SP*

**Starting Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 7.00pm-9.00pm**  
*Open to parents and carers of children under 5 years old.  
There will be a cost of £25.00 for the course which will cover  
the Parent Handbook and refreshments. Payable in advance to  
secure your place.*

*If you have any concerns re payment please give Clare Gane  
(Centre Manager) a call*

To find out more/book a place please contact  
Nasreen Farooq - Children's Centre Administrator  
On 01932-339055  
email [childrenscentreadmin@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:childrenscentreadmin@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk)

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The secondary school admissions system is now open. Parents can now apply online for 2018 secondary school places for your children using the online admissions system. The system is quick, easy to use and available all day, every day and you'll receive the outcome of your application by email. The deadline for applications is Tuesday 31 October 2017, but Surrey recommend you apply by Friday 20 October, before the half term holidays. If you miss the deadline, you reduce your chances of getting one of your preferred schools, so do apply online and on time by visiting

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/school-admissions>



## HIIT it for Stu!

Get ready for the BIGGEST ever HIIT fitness session that Pyrford has ever seen!!

**A fundraiser for Pyrford school Dad, Stuart Hembury**

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Stuart (father to Jess in Y5) has been suffering with MS for the past 20 years with significant progression of the disease in the last couple of years.

He is planning to go to Mexico for some ground breaking treatment.

To help us to raise funds we would love you to join us on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October 15:00 at the Pyrford Cricket Ground for a HIIT fitness (& fun!) session. The bar will also be open!

Please buy tickets online via donations to [www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/ann-hembury-ms-hsct](http://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/ann-hembury-ms-hsct)

£10 Adults

£5 Kids (10-17 yrs)

Under 10 yrs are free

All abilities, fitness levels and ages are welcome

Please contact [kategulliver5@gmail.com](mailto:kategulliver5@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

Thank you for your support

Dear Kathryn,

I would like to thank you, your team, children, and parent on behalf of all of the members of Friends of Chernobyl's Children Woking (Children/host families/helpers/friends) for your fantastic generosity yet again.

The use of your pool is a huge bonus - although next year we must focus on learning to swim rather than just fun! Although I didn't come along to the lunches you provided for our children they always returned to the afternoon sessions very happy with the delicious food. The money you raised for the 'Blues for Shoes' helped us to allow a budget of £40 for each child to have a pair of school shoes and trainers. It is always very exciting to go shoe shopping with the children - rarely do they have new shoes in Belarus. I know that once they have outgrown the shoes they are either passed to siblings or with in the wider community.

As you know, our children are from the most impoverished families in the Chernobyl area of Belarus, living in the contaminated zone. Not only do the visits help the children improve and build their immune systems to fight the illness caused by radiation and poverty, but also their emotional well being. Many of our children come from families where alcoholism is rife together with domestic violence. They often end up as carers to adults or younger siblings. When they come to the UK they have a month of being a child, to run, laugh, play - just as our own children. This has an enormous impact combined with the month of clean (non radiated) food, love and support from local host families, vitamins and health checks. This year both our GP and Dentist (Lorna Done in Woking) have noticed an improvement in dental and overall health. The parents in Belarus and teachers comment on improved attention/concentration/general behaviour once the children have returned home.

Our children had a fantastic time in England this year - the weather was very kind to us, all our activities have worked to plan (!). You and your team at Pyrford are a significant contributor to our continued successful visits.

I look forward to working with you again. It has been an absolute pleasure.

Thank you once again.

*Karen*

Karen de Snoo  
Group Co-ordinator Friends of Chernobyl's Children Woking



*Thank you from all at F.O.C.C  
WOKING*



Bishop David Brown

Job Vacancy

Are you a reliable, responsible person who can work on a flexible basis?  
Could you invigilate an exam, remaining vigilant throughout and ensure exam rules and procedures are adhered to?



Role: **Exam Invigilator**  
Pay: **£9.22 per hour (gross)**

Flexible opportunity—hours and days to suit.  
School hours only at various times throughout the school year but particularly in May and June.  
Full training provided.

This role involves working with the Exams Manager to supervise delivery of formal and informal examinations at the school which would include whole year groups, small groups or individuals.

For more information about this role please contact:  
**Mrs Becki Daniels, HR Manager**  
rdaniels@unityschoolstrust.co.uk



SURREY ARTS (North East)

## OPEN REHEARSALS

Saturday 23 September 2017 9.30 - 11 am  
The Matthew Arnold School, Staines



Do you play a string, woodwind, brass, or a percussion instrument (including drum kit) or a guitar?

Would you like to experience playing in a wind band, string orchestra or guitar ensemble?

Come along to the Matthew Arnold School on Saturday 23 September 9.30 – 11am.

We are inviting musicians from grade 1 standard to come along and join our ensembles for the morning, to find out what it feels like to play in a group.

We have Junior ensembles (up to grade 5) and Senior ensembles (grade 4+) who are looking for new members.

**New members FREE until January 2018**

For more information please call  
Surrey Arts on 01483 519303



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# ROTARY

## 2017

# SWIMATHON

Pool in the Park, Woking  
Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> October  
9 am-6 pm

Raising funds for

Woking & Sam Beare Hospice,  
Mayor's Charity (Your Sanctuary)  
Surrey Drug & Alcohol Care,  
Birchmere Scout Camp,  
Freemantle Care Farm Plan

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Or call Terry on 01483 762832

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