



Pyrford Church of England Primary School

8 March 2019

Good morning. I'm not quite sure how Friday has arrived so quickly again but it is welcomed!

School has been busy this week. We started on Monday with The Rock & Pop Foundation performing for us and with us in assembly. Children and staff were all fully engaged in singing along whilst the band were playing. This was to start our launch to really push music opportunities in the school which we will be hosting in our new building.

Tuesday was pancake day and Nursery were very keen to share their pancake making and eating skills. Many children rather than choosing just the one topping opted for the full offer! The children in Breakfast Club were a little more restrained with their toppings but fully enjoyed the breakfast offer on that day.

Year 1 headed out to Windsor Castle this week and enjoyed their trip. They have been full of chat this week about what they had seen and how it has been linked to their learning in class. Many thanks to everyone who accompanied the children. Trips in a public place are always a challenge.

Wednesday saw the beginning of Lent. Canon Aiken came in to school to talk about the Easter story and explaining the burning of the palm crosses in order to ash members of the Christian faith. This time of year, leading up to Holy week, gives Christians time to reflect on their lives, their work for others and the sacrifices which are appropriate to make at this time of year.

Yesterday we celebrated World Book Day. The children and staff turned up to school dressed for bedtime and a great day was had by all with many books being shared throughout the day. Teachers also took the opportunity to work in another class and read stories to children around the school. I was lucky enough to be able to read to the Nursery children. I'm not sure who was more entertained, them or me!

We have now added Parents Evening appointments to the online booking system. Please do log on to your Tucasi account and book an appointment. This will provide you as parents the opportunity to meet with your child's teacher to hear how your child is progressing.

Today we say au revoir to Mrs Shardlow who is taking maternity leave in preparation for baby Shardlow number 2. I shall keep you posted with any news and we shall look forward to welcoming her back next year. I also need to let you know that Mrs Stanley won't be returning to us following her maternity leave. Sadly the cost of living on a teacher's salary around these parts is just not manageable and so Mrs Stanley and her husband are relocating to be nearer her family and childcare on the south coast. We shall miss her but wish her well with the move and new job.

After a busy jam packed week, I was thrilled to receive a poem (overleaf) which two of the Year 4 girls had written, entitled 'I am a teacher'. It cheered me up no end and I think it is definitely worth a read, so please take the time to enjoy it too.

I wish you all a good weekend.

Kathryn Krynicki
Headteacher

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Congratulations to our Golden Book winners

Squirrels - Isobel Beattie and Marianna Franco Turanska for good communication in show and tell.

Hazel - Zack Brewster for excellent Maths.

Beech - Holly Hope for super Maths.

Chestnut & Oak Classes - Everyone for their excellent behaviour on the trip to Windsor Castle.

Cedar - Spencer Scott for working really hard to improve his Maths.

Hawthorn - Emily Pugh for working so hard with her handwriting.

No KS2 Golden Book this week as Ash Wednesday service instead

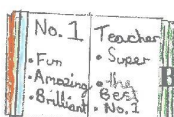


**Pancakes at Breakfast Club on Shrove Tuesday
Yummy!**

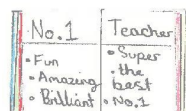


I am a Teacher

I am the heart of a child
Because I get down to their level everyday



I am the words of a story
Because I create adventures



I created team work
Because it's in my blood

I am the moon that glistens on all the stars
Because they follow me

I am the person who helps the young
Because patience always follows on

I am the soul
Every word, phrase and description
Bounces off me
Forming a world in someone's mind

By Hannah and Kelsey

12 children from year 2 joined children from other local schools at a music festival on Wednesday afternoon. They had fun singing and performing songs they have been learning over the last few weeks.



Week commencing: 11.3.19

In assembly this week, we are thinking about what Jesus meant when he said
"I am the light of the world"





Could you spare a couple of hours to help paint our wonderful new music house?

The wood needs to be treated on both the inside and the outside.

Proposed dates: Saturday 16 March or Sunday 17 March
9.30 – 4.30

You do not have to commit to all day: a few hours would be most welcome.

Refreshments will be served throughout the day!

If you feel you can help, please email info@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk (or contact the office)



ONLINE BOOKINGS & PAYMENTS

It is important that you register an account - this will allow you to book parents' evening appointments, production tickets etc as well as giving consent for trips.

The following have been added to the system:

- Parents' Evenings - Tuesday 19th & Thursday 21st March
- Additional Parents' Evenings (invited pupils) - Tuesday 12th March
- Year R British Wildlife Centre trip
- Year 5 workshops

If you haven't booked your lunches for next week, please do so as quickly as possible and if you can't book for Monday, please contact the office URGENTLY.



The Rock and Pop Foundation Team visited Pyrford C of E Primary this morning to deliver a fun music assembly for the children and to launch our new and exciting music provision with them. Children will now have the opportunity to enrol in; Guitar, Drum, Keyboard or Ukulele lessons in either small groups or on a one to one basis. Enrolment/information fliers were handed out following the assembly and to enrol or find out more, please visit www.rockandpopfoundation/enrol



Daffodil pins on sale from the office
£1 suggested donation to Marie Curie

RECEPTION HEALTH QUESTIONNAIRES

**Please ensure you return these by Wednesday
13th March**



SQUIRRELS NURSERY

Applications now open for September 2019 - closing date THIS MONDAY 11 March

Tours of the nursery are taking place on Thursday mornings until the closing date. If you are interested please email Mrs Murray on s.murray@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk





IT'S WORLD BOOK DAY!



SCHOOL DATES FOR 2018—2019 ACADEMIC YEAR

Description	Date	Time
SEN Parents' Meetings	Tue 12 March	15:30 - 17:30
Yr 2 to Brooklands Museum	Thu 14 March	
Spring Term Parents' Meetings (Squirrels 13:30 start)	Tue 19 March	15:30 - 17:30
Yr 5 to the Mosque	Thu 21 March	
Spring Term Parents' Meetings	Thu 21 March	15:30 - 19:30
Year 5 Bushcraft Residential Presentation	Mon 25 March	18:00
Year 6 Junior Citizen	Wed 27 March	
PTA Mufti Day	Fri 29 Mar	
Yr 4 Residential to Hindleap	Mon 1 - Wed 3 April	
Yr 2 End of Year Assessment Talk	Wed 3 April	14:40-15:10
School Easter Service at CoGS	Fri 5 April	09:30
Last Day of Spring Term	Fri 5 April	finish at 13:30
Easter Holidays	8 - 22 April	
First Day of Summer Term	Tue 23 April	
Yr 5 Viking workshop	Mon 29 April	
Reception to British Wildlife Centre	Wed 1 May	
Bag2School collection	Fri 3 May	
PTA Fun Run	Fri 3 May	
May Bank Holiday	Mon 6 May	
Yr 3 Residential to Henley Fort	Tue 7 - Wed 8 May	
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	
Foundation Stage & KSI Sports Day	Wed 5 June	morning
KS2 Sports Day	Fri 7 June	morning
Primary Music Festival	Mon 10 June	16:00 - 20:00
Yr 2 to The Look Out Discovery Centre	Tue 11 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 5 to Warner Bros Studios	Mon 17 June	11:30 - 18:30
Yr 1 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 5 July	
Brass Summer Concert at CoGS	Sat 6 July	
Yr 5 Away Day at Fullbrook	Tue 9 July	
Leavers' Service at CoGS	Wed 24 July	09:30
Last Day of Summer Term	Wed 24 July	finish at 13:30



WASPS – Woking Schools Cross Country – Years 3&4 – Tues 5 March

There were fantastic performances from our team of runners at the WASPs cross country on Tuesday 5 March. With c.80 runners in each of the girls and boys races for years 3 & 4, all our runners came in strongly, placed between 6th (in each race) and 26th place, which is a great result in the face of some very tough competition! A massive well done to everyone who took part: Kendall Goodrich, Amelia Theodorou, Finley Barnes, Josh Johnson, George Sumner, Freddie Wakeling and Tryston Webster.

We are looking forward to more great running from the year 5&6 team at their races next week – good luck to all our runners!

Pyrford Ski Team

Our ski team entered the Berkshire Race Squad School Ski Race on Saturday and all thoroughly enjoyed this friendly entry-level race.

We had great success too, winning three individual medals in different age categories (Samuel Platts - 1st for Year 3/4 boys; Charlotte Peasey - 2nd for Year 5/6 girls and Hannah Anderson - 3rd for Year 3/4 girls). Our school team was 4th overall in the primary category and we were delighted to be awarded the 'Primary Team Effort' trophy for good sportsmanship, teamwork and effort.

If you enjoyed a skiing holiday over half-term or are planning a trip at Easter, why not consider joining us for either training or our next race? No race experience is needed and anyone who can ski a short downhill course using linked snowplough turns is very welcome. Practising on a dry slope is a great way to keep up any skills learnt on the snow.

For more information, please contact Helen Anderson (helenlanderson@btinternet.com)



Congratulations to Alice Clark (Year 6, Holly Class). She is a member of Woking Athletics Club and was selected to represent Surrey at the Girls Under-11 Sportshall (Indoor Athletics) Regional Finals at Burgess Hill last Sunday.

A team of 14 girls from athletics clubs across Surrey competed in various track and field events against other counties in the south-east. Surrey came 3rd overall and won bronze medals.



Pyrford Parents ROCK!!

Woking Foodbank needed help and you delivered – **thank you!**

Together with Church Of The Good Shepherd, we were able to donate:

- 86 x Children's toothbrushes
- 34 x tins of rice pudding
- 38 x tins/cartons of custard
- 10 x tubes of toothpaste
- 1 x bag of nappies
- 17 x cartons of milk
- 16 x jars of jam
- 11 x steam puddings
- 5 x bags of snacks
- And much more, including washing liquid, kidney beans, chickpeas, dried herbs, pesto and more

~Thank you, Lianne xx





CAKE SALE

in aid of

Pyrford Beavers are holding a **CAKE SALE** to raise money for Woking Foodbank.

When: Sunday 10th March, 11am to 11.30am

Where: Church of the Good Shepherd hall

Come along and buy a cake (or two!) and support your local Beaver Group and Woking Foodbank

ONLY 50p a cake!



Nick, our Rector, is looking for help with a gift aid secretary for Church. It is a voluntary job but with a modest honorarium, very flexible and involving about 3-4 hours per week. If you are interested in helping, please call Nick on 01932 352914 or email rector@wisleywithpyrford.org



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

Volunteers urgently needed to help wash fruit and veg for the Reception and KS1 children on Thursdays.

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



2019/20 Term Dates & INSETs

INSET DAY	Wed 4 September	Spring Half Term	17 - 21 February
INSET DAY	Thu 5 September	Last day of Spring term	Fri 3 April
First day of Autumn term	Fri 6 September	Easter Holidays	6 - 17 April
Autumn Half term	28 October - 1 November	First Day of Summer term	Mon 20 April
Last day of Autumn term	Fri 20 December	Summer Half term	25 - 29 May
Christmas Holidays	23 December - 3 January	INSET DAY	Mon 1 June
INSET DAY	Mon 6 January	INSET DAY	Fri 3 July
First day of Spring term	Tue 7 January	Last day of Summer term	Wed 22 July



PRESENTS

Spring Solstice FESTIVAL

PLEASE JOIN US ON SATURDAY
16TH MARCH
7PM - 11PM PYRFORD VILLAGE HALL

TICKETS
£5

FOR AN EVENING OF FUN AND ENTERTAINMENT WITH A SELECTION OF BEVERAGES,
IN SUPPORT OF THE PYRFORD & WISLEY FLOWER SHOW

FEATURING GIN FROM
THE CRAFT GIN CLUB



CASH
BAR

LIVE MUSIC
FROM 8PM

**GOLDSWORTH
GERRY**
POP/ROCK/INDIE COVERS DUO

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM

VILLAGE VINTNERS / NOEL: EVENTS@PYRFORDFLOWERSHOW.ORG.UK / CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD



Bishop David Brown

Job Vacancies

Exam Invigilators

We are seeking reliable, responsible people to work on a flexible basis at our school. Could you supervise an exam and ensure rules and procedures are followed?



Pay: **£9.22 per hour (gross)**

Exams Invigilator—school hours only at various times throughout the school year
Full training provided with immediate start.

For more information about these roles please contact:

Mrs Becki Daniels, HR Manager at
rdaniels@unityschoolstrust.co.uk



Unity Schools Trust
"Excellence through collaboration"

**One Night
To be inspired
To laugh as never before**

**Parenting Truths
To hold onto, no matter
how old your children**

**Thursday 28th March '19
7:45pm to 10pm**

At the Church of the Good Shepherd, Pyrford GU22 8SP

ON THE NIGHT

- Refreshments will be provided ~ wine, beer, soft drinks, nibbles.
- There will be short inspirational videos by Doug Fields interspersed with time for discussion, reflection.
- Come along on your own, or with others for a fantastic night out.
- 10 Top Tips for parents:
 - Strong Belief and 24/7 Modelling
 - Encouraging Words and Genuine Affection
 - Consistent Presence and Peaceful Home
 - Delicate Discipline and Activate Responsibility
 - Positive Memories and Serious Fun

WOKING WIND ORCHESTRA

SPRING FESTIVAL OF MUSIC

CONDUCTOR. STEWART BUNYAN
30 March 2019 at 7.30pm

Church of the Good Shepherd
Coldharbour Road, Woking GU22 8SP

Tickets available on the door
adult £8.00
under 16's £5.00 under 5's free