



Pyrford Church of England Primary School

28 February 2020

Good morning and welcome back after the half term. I hope you had a good week, even if it was rather wet and windy for those staying here in Britain.

We have hit the new half term running this week. Over the holidays, staff worked hard to put our new library together. The wall art has been the talking point of the school (see overleaf) and visitors who have been in this week have been wowed. The children certainly enjoy sitting in the new area enjoying the books on display, as well as talking non-stop about the walls themselves. You will get the opportunity to see this all in action when we have our upcoming parents evenings in a couple of weeks' time. The children were also visited by author Kerry Gibbs this week who shared with the children some of the stories she has written and had published. As you will be fully aware, reading and writing is our focus in school and we are doing everything we can to encourage children to have a love of reading and an enjoyment and sense of purpose to their writing. We had a visit from an external expert on writing this week who came to see what we were teaching and the impact it was having in school. He praised the school and children for their engagement, the great teaching and opportunities to write and also gave us some thoughtful insight on what we could do to improve the progress children are making in writing in the school. Staff have now spent time reviewing writing progress from our Nursery children right through to the end of Year 6. We are aligning where we see best practise and how we can improve teaching and learning opportunities so that children get a deep understanding of all the strategies involved in writing. Our focus on reading will also have a positive impact on children's ability to write, having been exposed to so much vocabulary. You can see for yourself over the page for some interesting statistics.

I am pleased to say that Mrs Shardlow has now returned from maternity leave. She is part of our Literacy team at school and is driving forward our initiatives in reading and writing. For the rest of this academic year she will be in school on Thursdays and Fridays, working with groups of children across Key Stage 2. Mrs Green will continue to work in Cedar class in order to give them continuity for the rest of the academic year. Mrs Green is a very experienced teacher and has worked for many a year with Mrs Wright.

Mrs Rashbrook has been extremely busy behind the scenes in her role as Extended School's Manager. She has managed to secure an Art Club for children after Easter which will take place in the Music House. Look out in the coming weeks for full details and how to book.

You will have received various communications from the school this week regarding the Coronavirus. Please be assured that I am on top of all information coming from Public Health England, as we are required to follow their guidance. I receive information on a daily basis of updates, procedures etc and send out information to you when required. There is much conflicting information in the press at the moment so I understand when parents become concerned. In addition to the guidance sent to you, I want to let you know that the school was deep cleaned last Saturday by a professional cleaning company (this was being undertaken anyway as part of our cleaning procedures). All staff are continually reminding children to wash their hands in the bathrooms and the school has already got a stock of antibacterial hand gel which we are using. We would appreciate you reinforcing these hygiene procedures at home. Please can I urge you to contact the school if there is a likelihood that you have been in contact with the Coronavirus. If you have any personal concerns you should dial 111 who hold the most up to date information and can give guidance on your particular circumstances.

Please keep an eye out on our Scopy email for the upcoming parent meeting appointments which will be available to book in the coming days.

Best wishes.

Kathryn Krynicki
Headteacher

In this week's newsletter:

- Library
- Golden Book
- Little Street
- Assembly
- Marie Curie Daffodils
- Scopy - Parents' Evenings
- Pancake Day
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- Diary Dates
- Community Notice



Child A	Child B	Child C
20 minutes additional reading at home everyday	5 minutes additional reading at home per day	1 minute additional reading at home per day
60 hours per school year	15 hours per school year	3 hours per school year
1,800,000 words per school year (one million, eight hundred thousand words)	282,000 words per school year (two hundred and eighty two thousand words)	8000 words per school year (eight thousand words)
By the end of Y6, 60 whole days' reading	By the end of Y6, 12 days' reading	By the end of Y6, 3 days' reading
Reading scores usually within 90% range	Reading scores usually within 50% range	Reading scores usually within 10% range

In **2013**, The National Literacy Trust conducted a survey which included **11,000** children. Children who read daily outside school were **5x** more likely to perform above the expected level for their age in reading.



Congratulations to our Golden Book winners

Squirrels - Imaan Mehran for writing the initial letter of her name and for speaking politely.

KS1 - *not awarded as attending author workshop.*

Elm - Annie Whyman-Taylor for excellent explanation of the parts of a plant in Science.

Maple - Isabella Ahmad for super effort with her spellings and presentation of her work.

Alder - Jairaj Misra for trying really hard with all his work.

Larch - Meryam Alsaedi for a positive attitude to learning and for her enthusiastic approach.

Cherry - Dashiell Oliver-Watts for editing and writing up an excellent story based on Skellig.

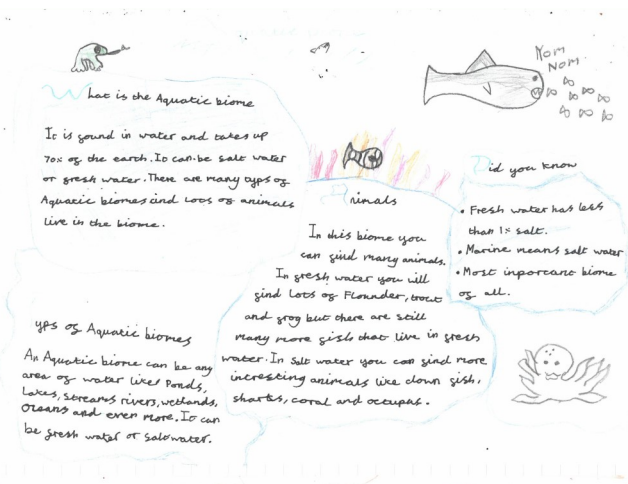
Rowan - Emilia Fisher for making some amazing models of a Viking long ship and Viking village.

Willow - Aaron Gay for editing and writing up an excellent story based on Skellig.

Laurel - Anaya Awais for always having such a positive attitude to learning and working hard.

Holly - Kai Clinch for working his best in every lesson - so proud of him!

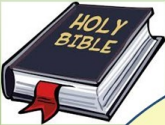



Apologies to Jeremy Brierley for putting the wrong picture against his name last time. Here is his Aquatic biome.



Week commencing: 2.3.20

In assembly this week, we are thinking about **Friendship**

As we think of the story of Jonathan & David


Little Street (one based in West Byfleet) have launched a voucher scheme offering schools and nurseries FREE educational visits at their role play centres. 30 lucky schools across the chain will win free exclusive hire sessions during the summer term. 30 further schools will have the opportunity to visit at the reduced price of £99, saving over £100. All participants will also receive a raffle prize for their school.

Vouchers are available to all parents visiting Little Street until 31st March, with one voucher issued per paying child. The first 5 schools to collect 100 vouchers and deliver them to the venue will receive a free exclusive hire.

Please bring in any vouchers you may have collected.

Thank you.

Your daffodil means we can care for more people

Thank you

Donate and wear your daffodil today



Daffodil pins on sale from the office

£1 suggested donation to Marie Curie

SCOPAY

Year 6 Workshops - please pay and complete consent.

PARENT EVENING BOOKINGS

Tuesday 10th March (3.30 - 5.30pm)

Thursday 12th March (3.30 - 7.30pm)

See here for details of how to book

Booking opens at 12 noon on Friday 28th February

[Parents' Evening Booking Guide](#)

From Breakfast Club to Owls, with lunchtime in between, a flipping good time was had on Shrove Tuesday, and on Ash Wednesday, KS2 visited the church for a short service to mark the start of Lent.



Rock Hero Status has been awarded to

LKS2

1st Place: **Annabelle Whyman-Taylor**

2nd Place: **Lexie Lorch**

3rd Place: **Henry Hope**

UKS2

1st Place: **Alfie Matthews**

2nd Place: **Alex Krynicki**

3rd Place: **Lauren Modlock**



For the biggest improvement in correct answers over the last week. Well done Rockstars!

Boo! Still in 10th place!

1st: New Monument Primary

2nd: Halstead Preparatory

3rd: Maybury Primary

4th: Winston Churchill

5th: Westfield Primary

6th: Sythwood Primary

7th: Broadmere Primary

8th: St Mary's Primary, Byfleet

9th: Goldsworth Primary

10th: Pyrford Primary



Top Classes are

1st: Elm

2nd: Larch

3rd: Maple



Elm Class are the winners of the Rock Guitar 4x in a row!

Will they win again next week for a special prize?

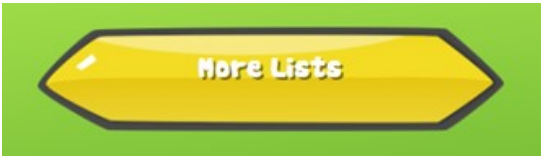
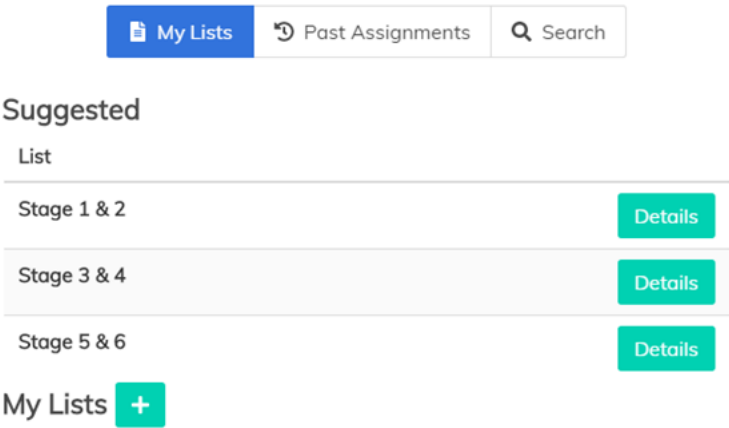
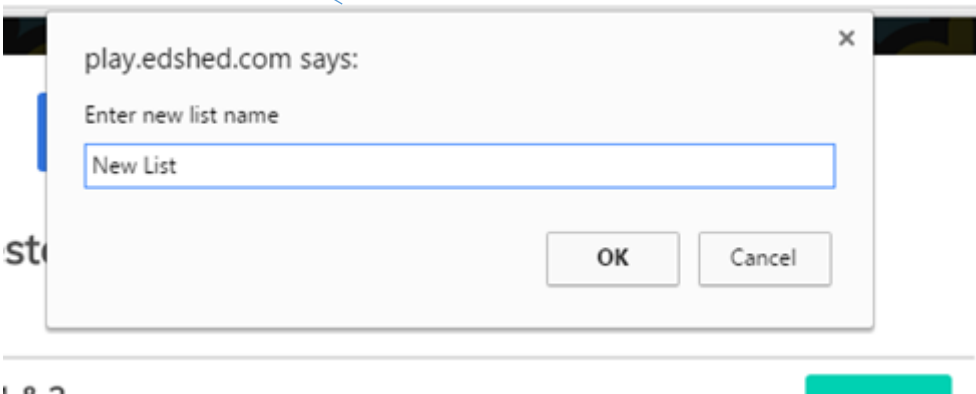
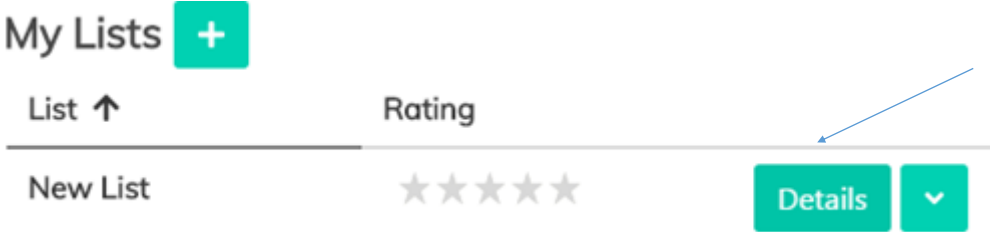
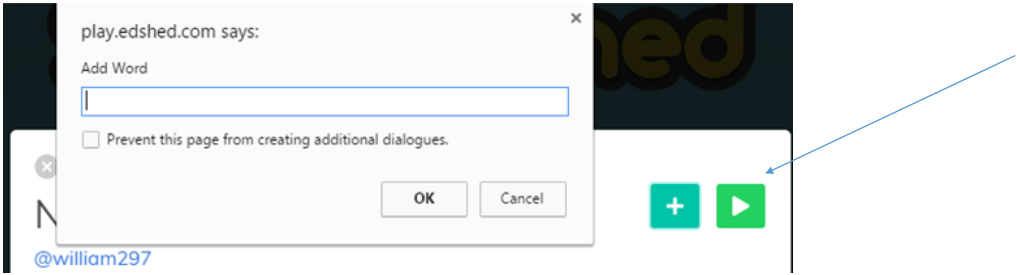


As of next week, the class scoring system will change - the scores should be a team effort, rather than just relying on a few individuals! In light of this, a minimum of 10 children need to have contributed to the overall class score in order for it to count.

This week's scores are shown below - well done to Tom, Emelia, Zara and Rowan Class.

	Key Stage 1	Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2	Class
1 st	Tom Watkins 114,255,128	Emelia Parvin 231,130,702	Zara Patel 294,632,850	5Rowan 168,808,473
2 nd	Charlotte Lawry 25,802,705	Lalla-Salma Ayouché 9,967,400	Alex Booth 34,752,952	4Larch 240,699,752
3 rd	Ben Watkins 23,404,848	Louie Lorch 9,567,136	Ruben Knee 21,544,740	RHazel 112,479,315

Did you know that you can set up individual lists for your children on Spelling Shed? The guide overleaf should help you to set up your own lists!

	<p>Select 'more lists'</p>
	<p>Select 'my lists' and then press the + button</p>
	<p>Give your list a name.</p>
	<p>Select 'Details'</p>
	<p>Add words, then click the arrow to play</p>

CLICK ON THE POSTER BELOW TO BOOK

Cut-price Panto Tickets at New Victoria Theatre, Woking

PANTOMIME - 9th DECEMBER 2020 – 7pm

Packed with all of the traditional pantomime ingredients that regular attendees have come to expect, **Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs** will be spectacularly brought to life with an abundance of jaw-dropping dance, side-splitting comedy, sensational special effects and plenty of festive magic.



Friends of Pyrford Primary School has secured seats at great rates for this year's family panto, thanks to the New Victoria Theatre's special discount for PTAs. Every ticket bought through us will contribute at least £3 to our school fund. Please make your payment and complete the online form (link below). There are two price bands (both work out less than half price compared to buying direct) and ice cream vouchers too.

A NIGHT AT THE THEATRE – 9th December 2020

Date	Time	Seat location	Price per ticket
WEDNESDAY 9 th December 2020	7pm	Rows A-K Stalls	£19.00
		Rows A-C Upper Circle (not recommended for those that struggle with stairs and heights & some have restricted view)	£8.00
		ICE CREAM VOUCHER(S)	£1.00

**PLEASE MAKE YOUR PAYMENT FIRST AND
THEN COMPLETE THE ONLINE FORM**

<https://forms.gle/auyVaU4TsyirJefQA>

1. **Cheques should be payable to FPPS**, please write PANTO on reverse of cheque. Please return cheque payments to the 'Friends' box at the school office, clearly marking your envelope '**Panto20**'.
2. **Online payments can be made to Sort Code 40-46-48, A/C no 51432591 using reference PANTO20.**
3. Whether you are paying online or by cheque, please complete the online form above. We cannot confirm your request until you have paid and submitted the form.
4. Tickets are allocated when all tickets have been sold. When oversubscribed, we will look at the date of payment to determine allocation of tickets, not the date of your form.
5. If you have any problems or queries, please email PyrfordPanto@gmail.com

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

SCHOOL DATES FOR 2019—2020 ACADEMIC YEAR

Description	Date	Time
Yr 6 Greek workshop	Wed 4 March	
KS1 Music Festival @ St Andrew's	Wed 4 March	13:15 - 15:00
World Book Day	Thu 5 March	
PTA Quiz Night	Fri 6 March	
Spring Parents' Meetings	Tue 10 March	15:30 - 17:30
Yr 2 to Brooklands Museum	Thu 12 March	
Spring Parents' Meetings	Thu 12 March	15:30 - 19:30
Governor Visit	Mon 16 March	09:00
Y5 Mosque Visit	Thu 19 March	
Governing Body & Trustee meetings	Mon 23 March	16:00 / 18:00
Assessment Week	w/c 23 March	
Yr 6 Junior Citizen at Woking FC	Fri 27 March	12:30 - 15:00
Easter Pause Day	Mon 30 March	
Yr 2 Assessment Parent Briefing	Tue 31 March	15:20 - 15:50
School Easter Service at CoGS	Fri 3 April	09:30
Last Day of Spring Term	Fri 3 April	finish at 13:30
Easter Holidays	4 - 19 April	
First Day of Summer Term	Mon 20 April	
Yr 4 Residential to Hindleap	Wed 22 - Fri 24 April	
Yr 3 Residential to High Ashurst	Thu 30 April - Fri 1 May	
Swimming starts	w/c 4 May	
Yr 5 Residential to West Dean	Tue 5 - Thu 7 May	
May Bank Holiday	Fri 8 May	
SATs Week	11 -14 May	
Governing Body & Trustee meetings	Wed 13 May	16:00 / 18:00
Reception to British Wildlife Centre	Mon 18 May	
KS2 Choir to Music Festival @ Dorking Halls	Mon 18 May	16:00
Summer Half term	25 -29 May	
INSET Day	Mon 1 June	
Yr 4 Tropical Zoo	Wed 3 June	
Yr 5 to Harry Potter Studios	Mon 8 June	
Yr 6 Bikeability	Mon 8 - Fri 12 June	
Yr 2 to The Look Out Discovery Centre	Thu 11 June	
Yr 6 Residential to Osmington	Mon 15 - Fri 19 June	
Yr 3 class to Henley Fort	Wed 17 June	
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EYFS & KS1 Sports Day	Fri 19 June	am
Yr 4 to Wisley	Thu 25 June	
Yr 1 to Merrist Wood Animal Encounters	Fri 26 June	
KS2 Sports Day	Fri 26 June	am
Yr 4 Brass Concert at CoGS	Sat 27 June	evening
Assessment Week	w/c 29 June	
Secondary School induction days	Tue 30 June / Wed 1 July	
Yr 2 Pedals Course	Wed 1 July	
Governing Body & Trustee meetings	Thu 2 July	16:00 / 18:00
INSET Day	Fri 3 July	

Description	Date	Time
Yr 5 Away Day at Fullbrook	Tue 7 July	
Yr 6 Production	Fri 17 July	
Yr 6 Leavers' Disco	Tue 21 July	18:30 - 20:00
Leavers' Service at CoGS	Wed 22 July	09:30
Last Day of Summer Term	Wed 22 July	finish at 13:30

2020/21 Term Dates & INSETs			
INSET DAY	Tue 1 September	First day of Spring term	Tue 5 January
INSET DAY	Wed 2 September	Spring Half Term	15-19 February
First day of Autumn term	Thu 3 September	Last day of Spring term	Thu 1 April
Autumn Half term	26 - 30 October	Easter Holidays	2 - 18 April
INSET DAY	Mon 2 November	First Day of Summer term	Mon 19 April
Last day of Autumn term	Thu 17 December	Summer Half term	31 May - 4 June
Christmas Holidays	18 December - 3 January	INSET DAY	Mon 7 June
INSET DAY	Mon 4 January	Last day of Summer term	Wed 21 July

WOKING SWIMMING CLUB

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New Members' Trials

for children born between
January 2011 and December 2014
 who are interested in competitive swimming

to be held on

Friday 20th March 2020

at

Woking Pool in the Park

2014 born are expected to be able to swim basic front crawl and backstroke.
 2011 must be able to swim good front crawl, backstroke and breaststroke.

To find out more information on trial requirements and to reserve
 a time slot please contact Jane by emailing
wokingsc.newmembers@gmail.com