

Pyrford Church of England Primary School

11 October 2019



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Good morning, and a Happy Harvest to you all! Many thanks in advance for the kind donations for the Woking Foodbank. I am sure they will all be put to good use. Thanks also to the kitchen staff who have made the effort to join in with the spirit of Harvest by baking a harvest loaf and making a display.

This week has been marginally less hectic for myself but interesting nevertheless. On Monday myself, Mrs McAllister and Mrs Lamaison (Chair of Trustees) attended a meeting at the DfE where we were able to share the work which goes on in The Newark Trust. Established in September 2018, Pyrford C of E Primary is the founding member of the trust, so we were able to talk with confidence about the work that we carry out, whilst answering all questions related to trust governance, finance and education for our young people. Whilst it was an opportunity to share our work, we had an interesting journey getting from Waterloo to the DfE. As the Extinction Rebellion protest gathered momentum, we nearly resorted to taking refuge from the pouring rain in the tents across Westminster! Jokes aside, as I have written earlier in the term, we are really focusing on our immediate environment in school as well as wider climate issues. Children have been out and about in the school reviewing what we are doing and will write to you themselves in the coming weeks, so please keep an eye out for information from our Eco warriors.

Talking of the environment, I would like to publicly express my sincere thanks to the staff who physically cleaned the school this week. The school has appointed a new cleaning contractor to start in January and in the interim our cleaning services from our current contractor have been challenging! On our arrival at school on Tuesday we noted that the school had not been cleaned at all. Staff rallied around, donned rubber gloves, loo brushes, hoovers, cleaning cloths and a number of black bags to scrub the school and make it presentable for the children and staff. It took an army of people working before school opened to do this. We are blessed that the Pyrford staff rally to support each other and the school. Thank you!

Much has been taking place this week in school with trips and visits. Year 5 went to visit the Planetarium this week and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. We had a group of children who we sent to a writing workshop, working with a poetic rapper. Alongside this we have a group of children who visit a local nursing home on a weekly basis to spend time with their 'elderly partner.' I am sure many of you will have seen the television programme 'Old People's Home For 4 year olds'. This documentary, which originally aired in 2017, showed the benefits for children and adults of making intergenerational friendships. We have now done this at Pyrford, where a group of children visit their elderly friends over in Send each week. It is fascinating to see how this is developing and really interesting to hear the children's views on their return. We will share more information about this as the term progresses.

Please can I remind everyone that the school admissions deadline for Year 6 applications is looming. Last year there were parents who hadn't applied on time and this caused huge issues (and continues to do so) as children were unable to be placed in schools near to their homes. If you need any assistance, please come in to school and we can help. Our Squirrels application window has also now opened for September 2020 so please get applications in as quickly as possible. This year we were unable to offer places to everyone who applied. If you will have a 2 or 3 yr old in September 2020, you need to apply now. Please remind friends and neighbours so that they are not penalised by missing the admissions window. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Early Years Leader Mrs Murray. s.murray@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk

This week we marked World Mental Health Day. Our motto for the day on Thursday was 'be kind to yourself and others'. This isn't new news. It is something we hold dear to our hearts here at Pyrford all the time, but we wanted to ensure staff and children were really aware about being kind. Mental health is high on the Government agenda and we take this seriously at Pyrford, offering support to children, staff and parents as much as we can. Workload and well-being are clearly on the DfE's agenda in schools. You will no doubt have read about the recruitment and retention crisis in the press, which is attributed to falling budgets and workload. Schools are accountable to the DfE and Ofsted for what we are doing to reduce workload and increase well-being. Whilst cleaning the school I am sure adds to workload, I can assure you that we try hard in the school as a team to support well-being. Miss Wilson (Head of Upper KS2) leads on this area and continually implements and evaluates our strategy in this area. We are open to any ideas which our parent community might have in supporting workload and well-being for our school. One area which would help us is the amount of email traffic, which is phenomenal. I can currently report that in the last I2 months my email box says I have 10, 494 deleted

emails, 1155 in my junk box and 1092 in my inbox. Admittedly, many of these emails are from external marketing companies, however you can appreciate the time it takes just to delete them and replying to a handful of important and relevant ones takes significant time. I know I'm not alone in the digital world we all now work in, but your support in sending relevant and important emails to individual staff and the school would be really helpful.

Ending on a more positive note, I was delighted to award our new House Captains their badges this week -congratulations!

Finally, please do check the dates for your diary section at the end of this newsletter as we are busy adding advance dates for the academic year which will be of use to those of you too busy taking care of other people. planning ahead.

Best wishes. Kathryn Krynicki

DAILY REMINDER

remember to take care of yourself. sometimes you forget because you're you are important too.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR HOUSE CAPTAINS			
Ashdown	Jacob Brockway	Mia Darling	
Athol	Mattie Hodges	Aisha Rehman	
Brecon	Josh Lines	Charlotte Peasey	
Kielder	Jessica Attfield	Hannah Giddings	

MEETINGS

Monday 14th October @ 10:45 School Council with NSPCC

Tuesday 15th October @ 12:15 **House Captains**

Monday 4th November @ 09:00 Playground Friends

Congratulation

Squirrels - Juliette Moore for settling well and helping to tidy up.

Ash - Reilly Fernandez for excellent counting and problem solving.

Hazel - Jessica Hill for carefully writing all her numbers.

Beech - Mia Marais for always working hard in

Oak - Holly Ellender for a lovely descriptive poem about mud.

Chestnut - Mason Moser & Emma Robinson for wonderful poetry.

Hawthorn - Dexter Evans for a wonderful sound poem.

Cedar - George Gray for a fantastic harvest poem.

Elm - Sam Darling for writing a fantastic diary entry.

Maple - Otto Clare-Campbell for an excellent map clearly showing the Roman Empire.

Alder - Hannah Lamb for an excellent letter to Roz in English.

Larch - Freya Cuttle for excellent work on the jobs that Anglo-Saxons did.

Cherry - Tegan Reed for working hard in English. Tegan, your writing is super and you performed a poem with others brilliantly. Well done!

Rowan - Freddie Wakeling for his super work in Topic about WW1 soldiers and the trenches.

Theo Suwannakhan for an excellent information text about the Battle of the Somme.

Laurel - Mattie Hodges for writing an excellent explanation of the Christian Holy Trinity.

Holly - Dylan Miles for writing a fabulous explanation of the Christian Holy Trinity.

Year 5 Visit to the Planetarium

We excitedly entered the large dome theatre and looked up at the ceiling where we saw stars of the night sky. We zoomed into the constellations and different planets and asked lots of questions about the solar system. It was amazing and we learned so many new and exciting facts. The space explorer area was spectacular and very interactive.

We also enjoyed learning about other areas of science including the digestive system and reflex times. It was great fun!

In the afternoon, we split into groups and went into workshops where we learned about light and we had to do an experiment to find out which would be the best material to wrap a satellite in.

The trip helped us all with our learning about the solar system and we all are really excited about science now. We would definitely recommend this trip.

Thank you to all the adults who helped us.











Year 2 have been doing some work on moths including learning about how to identify them, their life cycles and different species of moth. As well as going on a moth hunt, we've produced some charcoal sketches of our favourite moths.









Last Wednesday a group of children from years 3 and 4 began a 6 week music making project. Each week they visit Old Hall residential home in Send to work alongside a small group of

elderly people. They play games and instruments, sing songs and use props such as scarves. At the end of the 6 week course, the children will become ambassadors for helping their community and will be presented with a certificate in assembly. This week, they took their trumpets, recorders and percussion instruments to demonstrate their music skills. They are thoroughly enjoying the sessions and return to school happy and keen to discuss their session.





Pyrford C of E **Primary School**



"My son LOVED Squirrels . All the teachers were wonderful and it set him up nicely for Reception"

Parent satisfaction and feedback questionnaire 2018

Hot Lunches Available





Involvement in School Events



Applications OPEN for September 2020

Early Education for 2-4 year olds Offering 6, 9, 15 and 30 hour places

FEET Funding, FEE funding and 30 hour funding available

Smooth Transition to School







Tel: 01932 342693









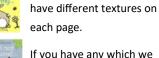












If you have any which we could borrow for the week, we would be most grateful.

Next week, Reception are

learning about 'touch' and using the Usborne 'That's

not my' books which













WEST BYFLEET JUNIOR SCHOOL PTA PRESENTS





FRIDAY 8th November 2019

GATES OPEN AT 5.30PM - FIREWORKS START AT 7PM

ADVANCED TICKETS
ADULTS: £6.50 | CHILDREN: £4.50
ADULTS: £7.50 ON THE GATE

HOT FOOD, BAR, GLOW ITEMS & STALLS

SPARKLERS NOT PERMITTED

WITH THANKS TO OUR SPONSOR



WEST BYFLEET JUNIOR SCHOOL CAMPHILL ROAD, WEST BYFLEET, KTIH 6EF



NO PARKING ON SITE - PLEASE PARK SENSIBLY AND RESPECT OUR NEIGHBOURS

FIREWORKS TICKETS ORDER FORM - PYFORD C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

CHILD'S NAME:	
CHILD'S CLASS:	
NO. OF ADULT TI (£6.50 EACH)	NO. OF CHILD TICKETS: NO. OF UNDER 3yr TICKETS: (4yr - 16yr £4.50 EACH)
TOTAL ENCLOSE	CASH: CHEQUE: ONLINE:
ONLINE PAY	MENTS - SORT CODE 40-46-48, A/C NO - 51432591, REF: FIREWORKS

CHILDREN'S CARD DESIGN PROJECT 2019









Your child / children can create their own card design for Christmas or an alternative celebration e.g. Eid, Diwali

Their design can then be professionally printed on a range of products including **Cards, Tags, Wrapping Paper and Gift Mugs.** Your child's name will also be printed on the back of cards and next to the handle on mugs as the designer

The Cost to You and The Fundraiser

	Price	Money Raised for School
Pack of 12 Cards	£5.50	£1.00
Wrapping Paper	£5.00	£1.00
Gift Labels	£2.50	£0.50
Mug(s)	£6.00	£1.50
Value Pack (2 x packs of cards and 1 x pack of Gift Labels)	£10.00	£2.00

Order Forms are being sent home this weekend so let's get designing, it could also be a great activity for half term. Most art materials can be used but please read the artwork guidelines printed on your child's order form. If you need some inspiration you can go to www.cauliflowercards.co.uk and view their gallery.

If any other members of your family would also like to join in then we have some spare order forms, just ask your class teacher or at the school office! (each order form must be unique so please do not photocopy the form)

All orders and payment must be made online using the unique code located at the top of your order form. Please refer to your order form for further instructions.

Once you have placed your order attach the completed artwork to the order form with the arrow on the form circled indicating the top of the work. All artwork where orders have been placed must be returned to school via your class teacher by Friday 8th November, and the cards will be delivered at the beginning of December.

Remember - Everything you order raises money for our school. Good luck





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

Volunteers needed to help wash fruit and veg (takes 5-10 minutes) for the Reception and KS1 children on <u>Tuesdays or Wednesdays</u> after drop-off.

If you can help, please contact Fiona Lee (fionalee1@yahoo.com). Thank you



Please note!

- The staff car park is only available for parents/carers picking up from Treetops from 4:30pm
- Please could parents refrain from giving children treats/snacks until outside school as the remnants and, sadly, litter are attracting foxes who leave their 'hazardous waste' in the school grounds



Breakfast Club & Treetops: please bring accounts up to date. Any queries, please contact Mrs Williams twilliams@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk

Residentials: All residential trip bookings have been made and deposits are non-refundable. Should your child have a change of heart and no longer wishes to attend, you must notify the school office by 20 December. After this date, you will be liable for the full cost.



Christmas Fayre 2019 30th November

- There are **seven** weeks to go until our Christmas fayre! We would really like to hear from you if...
- You are, or know of, a small business who would like to run a vendor stall in our Christmas Market area.
- You could donate a prize for our Silent Auction or Raffle.
- Your company runs a match funding scheme.
- You would be happy to have an advertising board put up outside your house to help us spread the word about the fayre.

If you can help with any of these or if you have any other questions please email christyvineyard@gmail.com

Thank you!

The Year 3 Reps

Cut-price Panto Tickets at New Victoria Theatre, Woking

PANTOMIME - 12th DECEMBER 2019 - 7pm

Set sail for Old Peking in the magical pantomime adventure, Aladdin.

Aladdin will feature a lamp-load of comedy, jaw-dropping special effects, sensational song and dance. Follow Aladdin, his brother Wishee Washee, and, of course, his mother, Widow Twankey on



a spectacular adventure they'll never forget, with flying carpets, a wish-granting genie, an evil sorcerer 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 complete and return the form to the 'FRIENDS' box in the School office. 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 – 12th December 2019

Date	Time	Seat location	Price per ticket	No. of tickets	Total
Thursday 12 th December 2019	7pm	Rows A-M Stalls	£19.00		£
		Rows C-E Upper Circle*	£8.00		£
		ICE CREAM VOUCHER(S)	£1.00		£
	***	TOTAL			£

All seats and ice cream vouchers are allocated on the basis of the date of payment and subject to availability.

I made an online payment of £ _______ (total amount) on ________ (DATE) OR

I enclose a cheque (payable to FPPS) for £ _______ (total amount) (please write PANTO on reverse)

Parent's Name: _______ Tel: _______

Child's Name: ______ Child's Class: _______

Online payments can be made to Sort Code 40-46-48, A/C no 51432591 using reference PANTO19

- *Upper circle not recommended for those that struggle with stairs and heights & some have restricted view.
 - 1) All ticket requests MUST be received with payment by 25th October 2019.
 - 2) Please note that contact info is essential in order to arrange ticket collection.
 - 3) Please return this slip and payment to the 'Friends' box at the school office, clearly marking your envelope 'Panto19'. If paying online, you can return your form by email to emilykidd78@gmail.com. For any queries, please email as above or call 07970 870014.

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



ACTIVITY CAMP

28th Oct-1st Nov ages 5-13 years

San Carlotte

Do not miss out on S4K's Halloween fun this October half term as our wonderful Sports Entertainers host a variety of spooky Halloween Tricks and Treats along side our sporting activities. You can find the full activity timetable at sport4kids.biz.

Everyday, children get the chance to chill out at our Halloween arts & crafts station, which could see them finger painting, making masks, creating Halloween balloons and origami, pumpkin designing and even face painting!

On Thursday we will host a Halloween Fancy Dress competition where the top 3 children at each venue will WIN some sweet treats and 1, 2 or 3 **FREE days** at our next activity camp. But don't worry, every child will go home a winner after our Halloween Scavenger Hunt.

Friday is jam packed with challenges and Halloween goodies. The kids will not only be designing and helping to carve pumpkins, they will take part in dodgeball, football and Halloween team challenges; think 'mummy wrap' and mystery boxes filled with gory delights!

Is your house overtaken by Nerf guns? What better way to make use of them in our ZOMBIE APOCOLYPSE NERF WARS! Children can use S4K's NERF guns or bring their own as we fight for survival against the Zombies! But watch out our Zombies may turn the afternoon into a real thriller with our THRILLER dance off!

Don't worry if NERF isn't quite to your child's taste, we have other activities taking place at the same time and we will finish the day with our scooters and party games.

20% EARLYBIRD discount ends this Friday 11th October at 11.59pm!

To apply discount enter code: EARLYBIRD

BOOK NOW @ Sport4kids.biz



VENUE:

CHERTSEY: Pyrcroft Grange Primary School NEW HAW: Fullbrook Secondary school WINDSOR: Dedworth Green First School SLOUGH: Iver Heath JUNIOR School

Prices: £28-£34 a day/£124-£150 for 5 days

TIMES

0800 - 1800*

*Children can be dropped off and picked up at anytime in a camp day

WE ACCEPT CHILDCARE VOUCHERS!





SCHOOL DATES FOR 2019—2020 ACADEMICYEAR

Description	Date	Time
NSPCC Assemblies	Mon 14 October	
Yr 6 to Marwell Zoo	Thu 17 October	
Yr 5 & Yr 6 NSPCC Workshops	Mon 21 October	
Yr 3 Celts & Romans Day	Fri 25 October	
Autumn Half term	28 October - I November	
Yr 6 Secondary Admissions deadline	Thu 31 October	
Yrs R - 2 Perform Drama Workshops	Wed 6 & Thu 7 November	
Autumn Parents Meetings	Tue 12 November	15:30 - 17:30
Scholastic Book Fair	Tue 12 November	15:10 - 17:30
School Photpgrapher	Wed I3 & Thu I4 November	
Autumn Parents Meetings	Thu 14 November	15:30 - 19:30
Donation Day (nearly new toys/soft toys) for Xmas Fayre	Fri 15 November	
Flu Vaccinations	Mon 18 & Tue 19 November	
Presentation & Tour for Prospective Parents		10:00 & 14:00
(Reception & Nursery)	Thu 21 November	
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Mufti Day (donations for chocolate tombola, adult gifts and bottles) for Xmas Fayre	Fri 22 November	
School Nurse for Yr 6 Measurement Programme	Mon 25 November	
Christmas Fayre	Sat 30 November	11:00 - 14:00
Assessment Week	w/c 2 December	
'Dick Whittington' Panto for whole school	Tue 3 December	
Yr 4 class to Guildford Museum	Thursday 5 December	
Yr 4 class to Guildford Museum	Friday 6 December	
Christmas Tree Sale	Sat 7 December	tbc
Parents' Christmas Party @ Pyrford Golf Club	Sat 7 December	evening
EYFS Christmas Production	Tue 10 December	09:30
KSI Christmas Production	Tue 10 December	14:00
KSI Christmas Production	Wed II December	14:00
Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch	Friday 13 December	
Christmas Pause Day	Mon 16 December	
KS2 Carol Concert at CoGS	Tue 17 December	18:30
KSI Christmas Parties	Wed 18 December	
KS2 Carol Concert at CoGS	Thu 19 December	13:45
KS2 Disco	Thu 19 December	18:30 - 2000
School Christmas Service at CoGS	Fri 20 December	09:30
Last Day of Autumn Term	Fri 20 December	finish at 13:30
Christmas Holidays	21 December to 5 January	
INSET Day	Mon 6 January	
First Day of Spring Term	Tue 7 January	
Primary Admissions deadline	Wed 15 January	
o2 Young Voices Concert	Fri 24 January	
Y5 Vikings Workshop	Tue 28 January	
Yr 4 to Synagogue	Thu 30 January	
Yr 3 class to Pizza Express	Tue 4 February	
Yr 3 class to Pizza Express	Wed 5 February	

Description	Date	Time
Parent Workshops: English, Reading &	Wed 5 February	18:30
Spelling Page Station	<u>'</u>	10.00
Yr 5 to Harry Potter Studios	Thu 13 February	
Spring Half term	17 - 21 February	
Yr 6 Greek workshop	Wed 4 March	15.20 17.20
Spring Parents' Meetings	Tue 10 March	15:30 - 17:30
Yr 2 to Brooklands Museum	Thu 12 March	15.20 10.20
Spring Parents' Meetings	Thu 12 March	15:30 - 19:30
Y5 Mosque Visit	Thu 19 March	
Assessment Week	w/c 23 March	
Easter Pause Day	Mon 30 March	
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	II -I4 May	
Reception to British Wildlife Centre	Mon 18 May	
Summer Half term	25 -29 May	
INSET Day	Mon I June	
Yr 4 Tropical Zoo	Wed 3 June	
Yr 6 Bikeability	Mon 8 - Fri 12 June	
Yr 2 to The Look Out Discovery Centre	Thu II June	
Yr 6 Residential to Osmington	Mon 15 - Fri 19 June	
Yr 3 class to Henley Fort	Wed I7 June	
Yr 3 class to Henley Fort	Thu 18 June	
EYFS & KSI Sports Day	Fri 19 June	am
Yr 4 to Wisley	Thu 25 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 I July	
Yr 2 Pedals Course	Wed I July	
INSET Day	Fri 3 July	
Yr 5 Away Day at Fullbrook	Tue 7 July	
Yr 6 Production	Fri 17 June	
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







Church of the Good Shepherd

GREEN CAR PARK

PLEASE SWITCH YOUR ENGINE OFF WHEN YOUR VEHICLE IS STATIONARY

To reduce emissions both here and in the school playground next door