



# Pyrrford Church of England Primary School

7 February 2020

Good morning, another week has flown by and half term is rapidly approaching.

This week we held our reading workshops and information sharing sessions for parents. These were well attended and the feedback we have received has been very positive. We do appreciate that not everyone was able to attend, so information has been loaded onto the school website under the reading tab on the front page and more will be added over the next week.

Reading for pleasure is our primary focus at school. Many parents in Key Stage 2 asked us to increase our focus on our use of reading records, telling us that it would help at home if these were more valued by teachers. We have taken this on board and have invested in new reading records which will come home with the children shortly.

The new reading logs are to be used by the children to record all forms of shared reading they take part in at home and at school, be this following a recipe, a bed time story, visiting a website, playing a game such as Dinkie or Scrabble, or the more traditional reading aloud. We are keen as a school to value all types of reading and to gain valuable information about the reading experiences children have both in and outside school. We will be interested to read your comments and respond where we can. Please don't feel that you have to write in them every day - a signature will do.

There is extensive educational research to support the new approach we are adopting. Reading for pleasure is fundamental, but so is fluency, stamina and a wide and varied vocabulary. A child's likelihood of achieving these additional things is significantly raised if they continue to read aloud and share texts with adults until their level of reading fluency and stamina reaches their level of understanding at around 12 years old.



All the children enjoyed a great story telling session this week. Thank you to Mrs Goree for organising this engaging event which the children loved. Staff are busy planning an exciting new library provision in school. Watch this space for update and photos.

In school we have been focusing much of our work this week around mental health. Children have been given strategies to help them have healthy minds and, as leaders, we have tried our best to support our staff to also have healthy minds and to review their own well-being. We've even had a mufti day just for staff today in recognising their well-being. Healthy adults help to cultivate healthy children.

Our Chair of Governors, Julia Lamaison, has asked me to thank all parents who took the time to vote in the election for a new Parent Governor and especially to the candidates who put themselves forward. We will announce the successful candidate next week once Julia has written to all of them.

Next week in school the PTA are holding a Valentine's cake bake. Cakes will be sold to children at break time as usual. Thank you to year 5 reps for organising this event and to all parents who will no doubt be busy baking this weekend.

I wish you all an enjoyable weekend.

Kathryn Krynicki  
Headteacher

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# Congratulations to our Golden Book winners

**Squirrels** - Hadassah Madzingira for joining in enthusiastically with the Gingerbread Man story.

**Ash** - Umar Farooq for excellent contributions in Science.

**Hazel** - Beth Fox for trying really hard and doing a super job with adding.

**Beech** - *not awarded as they were 'Going on a Bear Hunt'.*

**Oak** - Seb Scott for working incredibly hard and being an enthusiastic learner.

**Chestnut** - Max Treharne for trying hard and being enthusiastic in Maths.

**Hawthorn** - Henry Deighton for excellent work on multiplication and division.

**Cedar** - Max Dukoff-Gordon for fantastic work in Maths.

**Elm** - Theo Brockway for writing a super diary of Winston from our Krindlekrax story.

**Maple** - Esmé Duffy for writing a brilliant diary entry from the viewpoint of Winston.

**Alder** - Joseph Spencer for a wonderful poster for his forest biome.

**Larch** - Joel Godwin for a wonderful factfile all about the deciduous forest biome.

**Cherry** - Ben Porter for working hard to edit his story and for meeting the 'targets for success' - well done!

**Rowan** - Insa Bashir & Celianne Lorvo for an excellent diagram of a Viking longhouse.

**Willow** - Lily Tamerlane-Fitzgerald for her uniquely presented Viking longhouse work.

**Laurel** - Hannah Giddings for an excellent account of the Battle of Marathon.

**Holly** - Akbar Azam for an excellent account of the Battle of Marathon.



## Reminder

\*\* After half term, jacket potatoes will no longer be available unless you have pre-ordered the week before\*\*

The Treetops menu is on our school website. If the daily choice is not suitable for your child, then a jacket potato is available. However these must be ordered via [esm@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:esm@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk) by Friday of the week before so we can advise our caterer of numbers.

If you need any further assistance please contact me on the email address above.

Thank you.

Mrs Rashbrook  
Extended Schools Manager



Do you recognise these fitness trackers? One is a black Huawei and the other is a blue Apachie. Ask at the office if they are yours.

If you have a DBS clearance and would like to help in school, please get in touch with Miss Adams. If you would like to help and don't have the necessary checks, please ask for details at the school office. Many thanks. [s.adams@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:s.adams@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk)



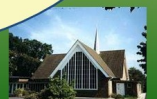
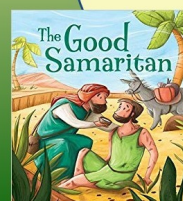
Our cook, Vanessa, has asked us to remind you that if your child is on a school trip, the kitchen are able to provide a packed lunch for them. You won't be able to order this through Scopay, but if you let the office know, they will order it for you. If you pay for lunches, it will be the same charge.



Week commencing: 10.2.20

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

As we think of the  
story of the good  
Samaritan



## Rock Hero Status has been awarded to

### LKS2

1<sup>st</sup> Place: **Sam Holliday**

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: **Finlay Boulby**

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: **Megan Cantillon**

### UKS2

1<sup>st</sup> Place: **Kai Clinch**

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: **Alex Booth**

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: **Ammara Razaq**



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

**Yay! We've moved up 2 spaces! PPS are now 7th in the local league.**

- 1 New Monument Primary Academy
- 2 The Winston Churchill School
- 3 Maybury Primary School
- 4 Cobham Free School

- 5 Westfield Primary
- 6 Sythwood Primary
- 7 Pyrford Primary

### Top Classes are

1st: Elm

2nd: Maple

3rd: Willow



**Well done to Mujtaba, Muhammad-Zakariyya, Zara and Rowan Class!**

	Key Stage 1	Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2	Class
1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Mujtaba Ahmed</b> 151,257,099	<b>Muhammad-Zakariyya Hussain</b> 29,700,580	<b>Zara Patel</b> 203,969,502	<b>5Rowan</b> 234,821,706
2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Joseph Hughes</b> 33,315,206	<b>Charlotte Bushen</b> 28,553,240	<b>Kai Clinch</b> 29,231,788	<b>2Cedar</b> 208,583,255
3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Faghiyah Hussain</b> 31,365,498	<b>Louie Lorch</b> 19,825,176	<b>Safaa Bashir</b> 13,603,032	<b>4Alder</b> 99,185,476

## VALENTINE'S DAY CAKE SALE - FRIDAY 14TH FEBRUARY



On Friday 14th February, Year 5 is holding a Valentine's Day Cake Sale! We would like to invite parents and children from KS2 to bring in a small batch (max 6) of **nut-free** cakes to sell. (KS1 will have an opportunity to bake for us later in the year!)

All children will have the opportunity to buy a cake at break time, for which they will need to bring a donation of 50p. After school, the remainder of the cakes will be sold at our stall, which will give children the opportunity to select up to 5 cakes for a donation of £1.

In our efforts to be more mindful of the environment, we will not be handing out paper plates / bags, but would ask instead that you send your cakes in a tin or container (clearly labelled with child's name and class on both lid & base) which will be returned to you after the sale.

We will have a small supply of plates and bags at the office, if anyone doesn't have a suitable container.

If you have any questions, please contact Anita Reynell - [AREynell@aol.com](mailto:AREynell@aol.com)

### MOVING FORWARD

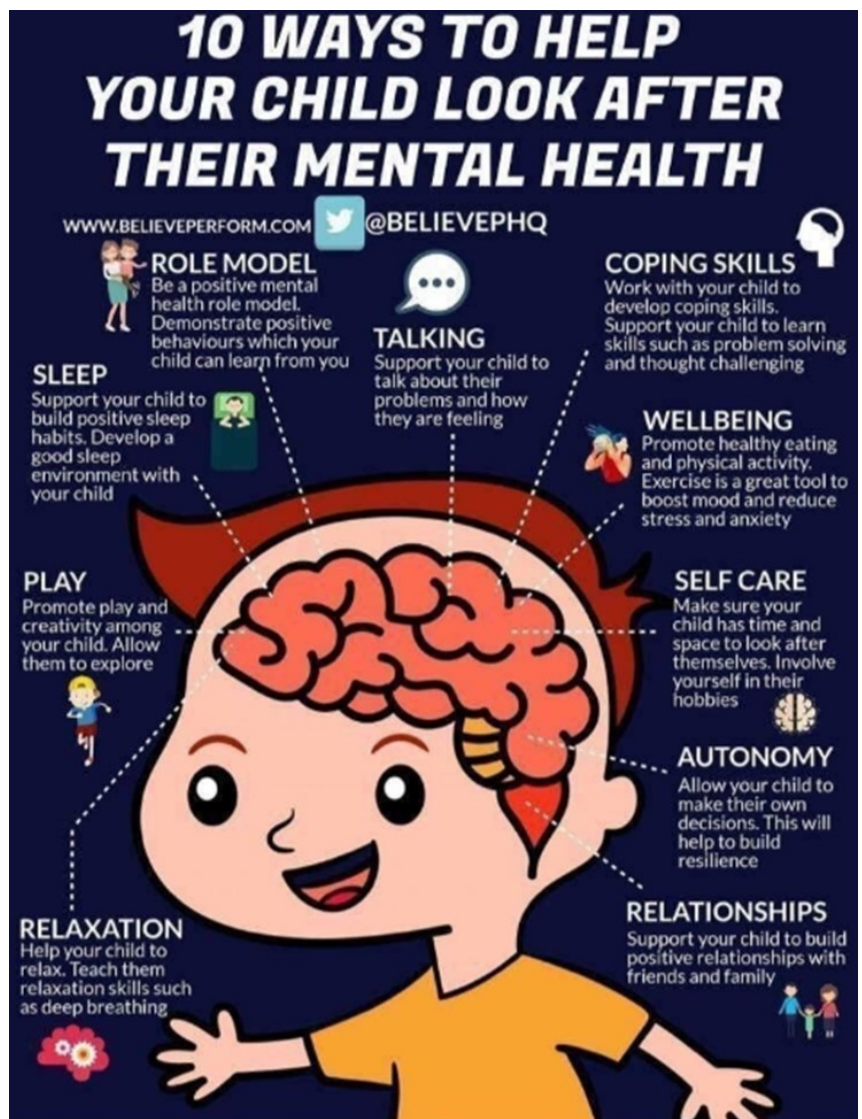
#### A course to support children experiencing divorce or separation

Suzanne Lees-Smith, the church's Children & Families Worker, has offered to run this 5 x 1 hour a week course at the school for children experiencing divorce or separation. This would be during the school day.

The aims would be to provide a space and ways for children to express worries, frustrations and grief; introduce coping strategies for some of the different emotions they will feel and help them to focus on any positives of the changes they are encountering and work towards having a positive view of the future.


This is achieved through creative activities, group exercises, games and questions to ponder.

To gauge demand, if you would be interested in your child(ren) taking part, please email in confidence to their teacher.





CLICK ON THE POSTER BELOW TO BOOK



Friends of Pyrford Primary

# QUIZ NIGHT

FRIDAY 6TH  
MARCH

School Hall at 7pm

£12 per person / max 8 players  
per team

**HOW TO ENTER**

Complete online booking form

Closing date for entries is Friday 21st February  
<http://forms.gle/1BXtYVYo7qSFf3G46>

One payment per team

Pay online to Account Number: 51432591, Sort Code: 40-46-48  
Ref: QuizNight\_teamname

Confirmation will be sent to the team leader

Any queries please contact [sianwesten@btinternet.com](mailto:sianwesten@btinternet.com)

Fresh Fish & Chip Van

Tickets sell out fast

Snacks and licensed bar

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## **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 – 9<sup>th</sup> December 2020**

Date	Time	Seat location	Price per ticket
WEDNESDAY 9 <sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:PyrfordPanto@gmail.com)

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





# MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Friends of Chernobyl's Children (FOCC)  
Woking is a small local charity that brings disadvantaged children affected by the Chernobyl nuclear disaster from Belarus to stay with families in Pyrford and Woking. We are short of two host families for the 2020 visit. Can you help?

Do you have space for a child to sleep and room in your heart to welcome a new friend? Help us make a difference!

To find out more, please email Karen:  
[karendesnoo@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:karendesnoo@yahoo.co.uk) or call  
07798 848 125

*"The best thing we've ever done as a family!"*



2020 visit dates  
7th June to 5th July

# SPORT4KIDS

The S4K Way

## ACTIVITY CAMP

BOOK NOW @  
[www.sport4kids.biz](http://www.sport4kids.biz)  
or  
0300 303 3866

"The best camp we've been to - high energy fun from start to finish- Sam can't wait for the next one" - Woking Parent

### Activities Include:

- BOUNCY CASTLE
- INDOOR ARCHERY
- FOOTBALL
- NERF & TARGET GAMES
- DODGEBALL GAMES
- SCOOTER GAMES
- BENCHBALL
- HOCKEY
- TAG RUGBY
- TEAM CHALLENGES
- BASKETBALL
- CRICKET & TENNIS
- OUTDOOR LEARNING
- ARTS & CRAFTS
- DANCE & MUSICAL GAMES
- And much much more!

**17th-21st February**  
**Ages: 5-13 Years**  
**8-6pm**

WE ACCEPT CHILDCARE VOUCHERS!

# SPORT4KIDS

NEXT CAMP DATES: 17TH – 21ST FEBRUARY 2020  
Book now @ [www.sport4kids.biz](http://www.sport4kids.biz)

<b>Fullbrook Secondary School,</b> Selsdon Road, Addlestone, KT15 3HW £34 per day / £150 for five days 5% Sibling Discount 10% S4K Member Discount	<b>Pyrcroft Grange Primary School,</b> Pyrcroft Road, Chertsey, KT16 9EW £30 per day / £132 for five days 5% Sibling Discount 10% S4K Member Discount
<b>Dedworth Green First School,</b> Smiths Lane, Windsor, SL4 5PE £30 per day / £132 for five days 5% Sibling Discount 10% S4K Member Discount	<b>Iver Heath JUNIOR School,</b> St Margaret's Close, Iver, SL0 0DA £28 per day / £124 for five days 5% Sibling Discount 10% S4K Member Discount

**TIMES:**  
**08:00 - 18:00**  
\*Children can be dropped off and picked up at anytime in a camp day

**AGES:**  
**5-13 years old**  
\*Children will be split into 2-3 different age groups dependent on activity

**FRIDAY OFFER:** Book and attend one of our camps on FRIDAY 21ST FEB and be entered into a prize draw to win 1 FREE week (5days) at an S4K Easter Camp!

## SCHOOL DATES FOR 2019—2020 ACADEMIC YEAR

Description	Date	Time
School Nurse - Yr R Measurement Prog	Mon 10 - Tue 11 February	
PTA Cake Bake	Fri 14 February	
Spring Half term	17 - 21 February	
Author workshops	Wed 26 February	09:30 & 10:30
Yr 6 Greek workshop	Wed 4 March	
KS1 Music Festival @ St Andrew's	Wed 4 March	13:15 - 15:00
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
Y5 Mosque Visit	Thu 19 March	
Governing Body & Trustee meetings	Thu 19 March	16:00 / 18:00
Assessment Week	w/c 23 March	
<b>Yr 6 Junior Citizen at Woking FC</b>	<b>Fri 27 March</b>	<b>12:30 - 15:00</b>
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	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

**The Pyrford & Wisley Flower show 2020  
NEEDS YOU!**

How many of you attended the Pyrford and Wisley Flower show last year?  
This amazing community show is a long standing tradition in our village and is run entirely by volunteers.

We're looking in particular for a couple of people to take on the **Juniors Section** of the Show. The current volunteers no longer have children at the school and are looking to pass the baton on, full support will be on hand to ensure a smooth handover. There are other jobs too, we're always looking for help, no amount of time is too small.

**No offer of help will be turned away.**

If you interested in hearing more, complete the on-line form and either Vikki Miles Yr 6 rep or one of the committee will be in touch to have a chat with you.  
<https://form.jotformeu.com/vikkimiles1977/flower-show-2020>

### SLEEP TRAINING

**26<sup>th</sup> March, 9:30 - 11 am, hosted by Knaphill Lower School.**

**Cost: £10 per parent.**

**The 90 minute training session aims to support parents to know how to encourage their children to take responsibility for their health and wellbeing by understanding the role and value of healthy sleep. The session will cover:**



- **What sleep is, what it is for and why it is important to physical and emotional wellbeing**
- **Why children at primary school need 10 - 11 hours per night**
- **What the body clock is and how it relates to sleep**
- **What can stop you getting a good night's sleep**
- **What you can do to help yourself to get a good night's sleep**

**To book a place and to arrange payment, please contact**

**Adie Gould, Administrator, Woking Schools Learning Partnership**

**[admin@wslp.co.uk](mailto:admin@wslp.co.uk)**