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Good morning. This week has flown by in school and I can't believe it is Friday already. Our new children continue to settle in to school and I was treated to teaching Hazel class for the day this week. This gave me the opportunity to really get to know all of the children, not just in Hazel but in Beech and Ash classes too. I come from a background in Early Years teaching and don't often get an opportunity to indulge myself, so it was great fun and so very rewarding. However, I had completely forgotten exactly how exhausting the start of term in Reception is. I did have the opportunity first hand of carrying out the new national baseline assessment with various children. The DfE is implementing a new national baseline assessment for all Reception children from September 2020 and Pyrford is a pilot school. The children were superstars spending their time with me, but the process has flagged up some issues which we will be feeding back to the DfE. Unfortunately we have no idea how the assessment will be used at this point, nor how they are scaled, marked or fed back. I believe the DfE are working on this for next year. We will, of course, update you as and when information is released nationally.

Many thanks again to parents who have been attending the curriculum workshops this week. A special thank you to those who were disrupted during the fire alarm during Thursday's session. We will be feeding back to parents about your child's progress and areas for development during our November parent consultation meetings. Again though, should you have any queries at any time, please don't feel you have to wait until that time. Drop an email into school and the class teacher will get back to you as soon as possible to either meet or help you with your enquiry.

Following on from last week's newsletter when I grumbled about the parking and driving witnessed outside the school, I am pleased to say that the traffic enforcement team have arranged dates with me to come and monitor the situation outside the school. This will be over the coming weeks - please be mindful as they will be issuing fines and speaking to parents. Hopefully this will help assess accurately the extent (or not) of the problem. Our aim is always to safeguard our children as well as maintaining good relationships with our neighbours. Can I ask you particularly not to park in the driveway of Church House (the house in the church car park), as this is preventing the family from parking when they arrive home.

Next week continues to be busy. Year 4 are taking part in a Saxon workshop as part of their learning about life during the Saxon times. This is always a fun opportunity to hook children into learning about this period in History. We continue to push our music curriculum too with a group of children heading over to Send to take part in an intergenerational music project. The wider curriculum offer is very important to the school and music features highly on our agenda. Our new music house is in fact booked out solidly for the sole use of teaching music, whether it be instrumental lessons for whole class, groups or individuals as well as various singing activities too.

As part of our drive towards sustainability and our focus on climate change, KS2 pupils are having an assembly next week about water conservation led by staff from Nower Wood Educational Nature Reserve. We are building in opportunities over the year for all pupils to be involved in sustainable efforts to preserve our planet. Children are becoming so much more informed of the need to be environmentally aware and we really appreciate parents' support in this. If you have any great ideas or a passion for helping us just do the little things around the school environment, we'd love to hear from you!

I wish you all a great weekend, now that we have officially hit autumn.

Best wishes,
Kathryn Krynicki
Headteacher

Congratulations to our Golden Book winners

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

Ash - Leo Buchholtz for coming in every day with a big smile on his face.

Hazel - Ada Clough for being helpful and kind.

Beech - Oliver Lawry for excellent number work.

Oak - Matilda Hannell for working so hard across all areas of her learning in Year 1.

Chestnut - Harry Thorpe for wonderful autumn writing.

Hawthorn - Noor-Eshal Razaq for excellent effort with both reading and Maths.

Cedar - Annabel Hutton for a fantastic Horrid Henry poster.

Elm - Jasper Eysenck for writing a fantastic story about Romulus & Remus.

Maple - Amber Vickery for explaining her place value work in Maths so well.

Alder - Thea Johnston for a beautifully presented poem called "The Hunter".

Larch - Emelia Parvin for writing an excellent poem called "The Hunter".

Cherry - Kiki Schifano for writing an excellent letter from the perspective of a WWI soldier.

Rowan - Safaa Bashir for a beautifully presented and informative poster about planets.

Willow - Liza Hussain for an excellent letter written in the style of a soldier in the trenches.

Laurel - Hayan Zafar for a fantastic comic strip on Mary Anning in our Science topic.

Holly - Jack Vieira for an excellent storyboard for Science about Mary Anning.



If you use chocolate spread in your child's sandwiches, PLEASE check that it doesn't contain nuts.



Do you work for / own a building company that would be interested in building our new swimming pool changing room? If so and you would like more details, please contact Mrs McAllister info@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk



Residentials: payment of deposits and consent is needed by Monday 30 September.

Yr 4 Brass: instruments won't be given out unless payment and consent is received. Payments can be made termly.

Yr 4 Workshop: consents are due today!

Yr 5 Planetarium trip: consent is needed by Monday 30 September.



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 Wednesdays after drop-off.

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



SURREY SCHOOLS SKI CHAMPIONSHIPS

Very well done to Charlotte P, Samuel, Hannah, Joseph, Charlotte A, Isla, Fergus and Dexter who took part in the Surrey Schools Ski Championships in Aldershot on Sunday.

Despite the pouring rain, the children skied really well with our younger team achieving gold medals in their category and our Year 5/6 team gaining silver medals in their category. A special mention must go to Dexter in Year 2 who, in his very first competition, also won a gold medal in the afternoon dual slalom event!

If any other children have an interest in skiing and would be keen to join our growing team, please do get in touch for more information
helenlanderson@btinternet.com



Is your child in year 6?

If so, you need to apply online for a secondary school place by **31 October 2019**. Applying on time gives you a better chance of getting one of your preferred schools.

If you live in Surrey, you can find out all you need to know about school admissions and apply online at surreycouncil.gov.uk/admissions or you can call us on 0300 200 1004.



Apply online
apply on time by
31 October 2019



Bishop David Brown School



Thursday 3rd October 2019

6pm until 8pm

Head of School's address at 6.15pm and 7.00pm, no need to book

Open Mornings

9.00am until 11.00am

Tuesday 8th October 2019
Thursday 10th October 2019
Tuesday 15th October 2019
Thursday 17th October 2019

Tours on an individual basis can be arranged by appointment via Liz Challen.

echallen@bdb.surrey.sch.uk - 01932 359118



Unity Schools Trust

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Woking High School
Inspire, Challenge, Achieve



OPEN EVENING

THURSDAY 3RD OCTOBER 2019

5.30pm - 8.00pm

Headteacher's address at 5.30pm and 6.30pm

OPEN MORNINGS

(by appointment - please book online at www.wokinghigh.surrey.sch.uk/admissions or telephone the main school office)

- 9.15am and 9.45am Monday 7th October 2019
- 9.15am and 9.45am Thursday 10th October 2019
- 9.15am and 9.45am Tuesday 15th October 2019
- 9.15am and 9.45am Wednesday 23rd October 2019

Tours on an individual basis can be arranged by appointment via the School Office on 01483 888447.

You are invited to visit this, 11-16 mixed academy, which celebrates high standards and very good examination results. Excellent Computing, DfT and Science facilities and a stimulating, exciting range of both academic and enrichment opportunities are available for all students.

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Woking High School is a popular, oversubscribed, 11-16 academy serving our local community. Every member of Woking High School is a tremendously proud of the school, its high standards of learning and teaching, its excellent academic results and its excellent transition programme. We were extremely pleased with our most recent Ofsted report (February 2016) and the comments made by the lead HMIs that Woking High School was an excellent school. www.ofsted.gov.uk/reports

ACCLAIMED PRIMARY - SECONDARY TRANSITION
We strive to ensure that all students fulfil their potential through an unparalleled provision of curricular and extra-curricular activities, thus ensuring that students are challenged and motivated to achieve the highest levels of academic excellence. As a result, our students have gained places at the most prestigious colleges and universities in the country including Oxford and Cambridge.

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Students can access a wide range of curriculum options which provide challenge and foster a spirit of enquiry. Many departments run their own extra-curricular societies to stimulate interest and lectures by distinguished speakers from outside the school are frequent.

We warmly welcome visits to the school so that you can experience the spirit of what it means to belong to Woking High School.

Ofsted February 2016

'Pupils behaviour in lessons and around the school is excellent.'

'The schools work to promote pupils personal development and welfare is outstanding.'

'Pupils are absorbed in their learning.'

'Parents are overwhelmingly positive about the school. "We cannot praise the school highly enough."

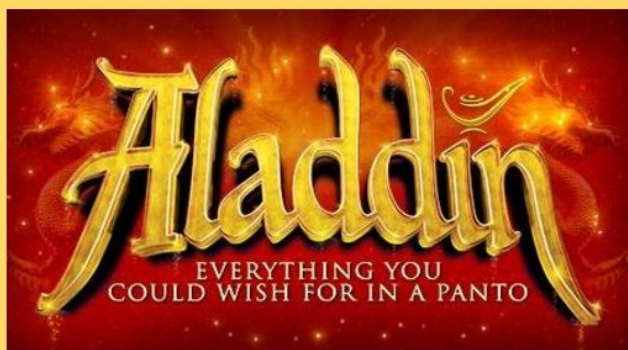
Cut-price Panto Tickets at New Victoria Theatre, Woking

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-H 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: _____

Email: _____ 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 23rd September 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!

TICKETS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED ONCE ALL HAVE BEEN SOLD

SCHOOL DATES FOR 2019—2020 ACADEMIC YEAR

Description	Date	Time
Yr R Parents phonics, reading & maths talk	Tue 1 October	15:30 - 16:30
Yr 4 Saxon Workshop	Wed 2 October	
Yr 5 to Intech Planetarium	Mon 7 October	
Harvest Festival Service	Fri 11 October	09:30
NSPCC Assemblies	Mon 14 October	
Yr 6 to Marwell Zoo	Thu 17 October	
Yr 5 & Yr 6 NSPCC Workshops	Mon 21 October	
Autumn Half term	28 October - 1 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
Autumn Parents Meetings	Thu 14 November	15:30 - 19:30
Flu Vaccinations	Mon 18 & Tue 19 November	
Presentation & Tour for Prospective Parents (Reception & Nursery)	Thu 21 November	10:00 & 14:00 & 19:00
School Nurse for Yr 6 Measurement Programme	Mon 25 November	
Christmas Fayre	Sat 30 November	tbc
'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
Christmas Jumper Day	Friday 13 December	
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	
Spring Half term	17 - 21 February	
Yr 6 Greek workshop	Wed 4 March	
Yr 2 to Brooklands Museum	Thu 12 March	
Y5 Mosque Visit	Thu 19 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	
Yr 5 Residential to West Dean	Tue 5 - Thu 7 May	
May Bank Holiday	Fri 8 May	

Description	Date	Time
SATs Week	11 -14 May	
Reception to British Wildlife Centre	Mon 18 May	
Summer Half term	25 -29 May	
INSET Day	Mon 1 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	
Yr 3 class to Henley Fort	Thu 18 June	
Yr 4 to Wisley	Thu 25 June	
Yr 2 Pedals Course	Wed 1 July	
INSET Day	Fri 3 July	
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, Pyrford. GU22 8SP
Monday 3:15-4:30pm Term Time
All Ages Welcome. Refreshments. Music.
One Bible bit. Six zones.
Great for families, inspiring, fun, creative, free!

Snacks and drinks are provided on arrival as we gather.
We begin with some music, (instruments & flags available) 3:30pm.

After the bible reading you can choose to go to the different zones or stay in one. People learn in different ways so we have:
 "Colour" ~ seeing "Busy" ~ doing "Listening" ~ hearing
 "Word" ~ reading "Chat" ~ thinking aloud "Quiet" ~ reflecting

We then gather together for a chance to share for those who want to, to pray for those in need, and sing a final song.

Different zones are full of a variety of resources to help you respond to a different Bible Passage and questions each week. People of all ages, all learning styles, needs, are welcome and catered for.

Contact Suzanne@wisleywithpyrford.org for more details, or just pop along and give it a try.
 See www.wisleywithpyrford.org for dates.