

Pyrford Church of England Primary School

4 October 2019



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Good morning. This week has flown by in school. The children are now well into the pace of school life and no doubt half term will be upon us before we know it.

Audit and accountability have been the themes behind the scenes here this week. As an Academy school, under the ESFA regulations, we are audited continually throughout the year. This week a team of auditors visited the school for three days. Whilst this doesn't impact on the children at all, it does require a lot of work behind the scenes particularly for the admin team. Our School Business Manager, Mrs McAllister, prepares us so well for these events though that they run seamlessly. At the same time that auditors were in Pyrford, I was called by Ofsted who wanted to inspect one of the schools I work closely with as their Executive Headteacher. So it was a case of drop everything here, to go there for two days. Ofsted has published a new framework for inspection which has been in force since the beginning of September 2019, and the inspection process is very different from before. Schools are notified that inspection is taking place on the afternoon before the arrival of the inspection team, so there is little preparation time and a long list of tasks which need to be carried out before inspection begins. I was mightily relieved to have been at a meeting on Monday this week with Matthew Purves, Deputy Director for Ofsted in England, so I was reasonably well versed in the structure and rigour required of the inspection. One of the many areas inspectors drilled down into was attendance and persistent absence. This is an area over which the school has little control, but must evidence the processes in place to ensure that children are attending school and are on time. This forms part of the judgement of the school's inspection. As you are no doubt fully aware, I am constantly mentioning this in the newsletter. Please help us here at Pyrford to do our jobs by sending your children to school every day and on time.

Next week we will be focusing on Harvest. Children will be learning about the differing aspects of Harvest time and worship will be based on this theme. Our week will end with our celebration of Harvest Festival in church on Friday morning. You are all most welcome to join us as we celebrate Harvest together in the Church of The Good Shepherd at 9.30am. This year we are supporting Woking Foodbank and are asking for donations of non perishable items. Here is a link to items that the Foodbank would really appreciate https://woking.foodbank.org.uk/2019/08/30/harvest-time/ (see overleaf too). Food will then be used to support families within the Woking area.

On the theme of food, I met this week with the catering team and discussed how we can review our meal offer. We have come up with some exciting new menus, a café culture for Years 5 and 6 and some changes to products. In the weeks leading up to half term we will be running tasting sessions so that children can have a direct input into the food offer (we have learnt from the past that what we as adults think is wonderfully tasty, is not received in the same way by our children!) More information and updates to follow. We will post some pictures so that you can see what the actual offer is, rather than your child's interpretation.

Over the coming term we will be looking at our clubs offer and trying our best to provide as many curriculum enrichment activities as possible either at lunchtimes, before school or after school. Whilst space is limited, we are keen to look creatively at what we can offer. If you have a keen interest or a talent that you could share with children we would love to hear from you. We are looking to provide clubs which might possibly include; board games, construction, engineering, science, arts etc to compliment the large number of sports and music clubs already running. Please drop an email to <u>c.anderson@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk</u> if you could offer to help.

Wishing you all a good weekend.

Kathryn Krynicki Headteacher



Pyrford Primary Service Friday 11th October 9:30am Church of the Good Shepherd

Family Parade Service Sunday 13th October 10:00am Church of the Good Shepherd

> Other Harvest Celebrations Sunday 13th October 10:00am Wisley Church 11:30am St Nicholas Church

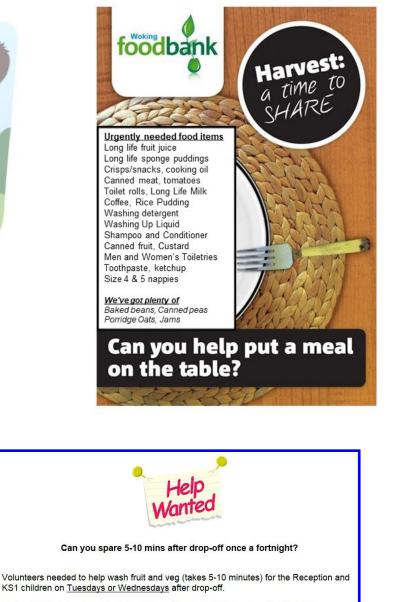
Pop in and visit OUR SPECIAL FLORAL DISPLAYS in our church buildings 12th -13th October TEA AND CAKE will be served 2-5pm

at St Nicholas and Wisley Church



TO KNOW JESUS AND We will be collecting donations for TO MAKE HIM KNOWN Woking Food Bank at each service.





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





Please can I remind all parents when collecting your children from Treetops that if something has been left behind in the classroom or you need to look in lost property etc. that you alert a member of staff who will escort your

child. Children are not permitted back to the classrooms unaccompanied at the end of the school day. May I also respectfully request likewise with parents, if you need any assistance at collection time please speak to a member of the Treetops team who will be more than happy to help.

Many Thanks

Julie Rashbrook Extended Schools Manager





SAVE THE DATE 7th DECEMBER 7pm

Dinner, Dancing, Entertainment

PYRFORD



There are four 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 <u>christyvineyard@gmail.com</u>

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.

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		£	
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TICKETS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED ONCE ALL HAVE BEEN SOLD

Win a year's Free Membership to RHS Gardens Wisley!

Children's Build a Home for Wildlife Competition to win a one-year membership to the Royal Horticultural Society gardens.

To take part, we are asking primary school aged children in Woking to build a home for a wild animal or animals of your choice in either your own garden, in a family members garden or on your balcony.



Garden Habitats

With gardens playing a vital role in providing habitats for wildlife, we hope that you will take part in the competition and provide a home for wildlife particularly for the winter season.



Examples of wildlife homes include:

- Hedgehog homes
- Bug hotels
- Solitary bee holes
- Butterfly houses
- Frog/ toad homes
- Bird boxes

The homes can mimic naturally occurring piles of wood & leaves or be purpose built for your favourite wild animal.



To enter by **Monday 14th October**, please visit: www.thamesweygroup.co.uk/build-a-home-competition





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SCHOOL DATES FOR 2019—2020 ACADEMICYEAR

Description	Date	Time
Yr 5 to Intech Planetarium	Mon 7 October	
Harvest Festival Service	Fri II 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 - 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
Autumn Parents Meetings	Thu 14 November	15:30 - 19:30
Donation Day (toys/soft toys) for Xmas Fayre	Fri 15 November	
Flu Vaccinations	Mon 18 & Tue 19 November	
Presentation & Tour for Prospective Parents (Reception & Nursery)	Thu 21 November	10:00 & 14:00 & 19:00
Mufti Day (tombola donations) for Xmas Fayre	Fri 22 November	
School Nurse for Yr 6 Measurement Programme	Mon 25 November	
Christmas Fayre	Sat 30 November	:00 - 4:00
'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	
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	Wed 22 - Fri 24 April	
Yr 4 Residential to Hindleap Yr 3 Residential to High Ashurst	Wed 22 - Fri 24 April Thu 30 April - Fri I May	

Description	Date	Time
May Bank Holiday	Fri 8 May	
SATs Week	11 -14 May	
Reception to British Wildlife Centre	Mon 18 May	
Summer Half term	25 -29 May	
INSET Day	Mon I 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 17 June	
Yr 3 class to Henley Fort	Thu 18 June	
Yr 4 to Wisley	Thu 25 June	
Yr 4 Brass Concert at CoGS	Sat 27 June	evening
Yr 2 Pedals Course	Wed I 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



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 **surreycc.gov.uk/admissions** or you can call us on **0300** 200 1004.



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

Open Mornings

Fullbrook

Inspired to Achieve

Tuesday I October, Wednesday 9 October &

Thursday 17 October Tours at 9:15am & 10:15am by appointment



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