Pyrford C of E Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Easter Pause Day



Easter Pause artwork on the theme of forgiveness

In Year 3 we looked at the Easter Story and talked about some of the disciples who might need and deserve forgiveness. We thought about times when we might have needed to ask for forgiveness from others and how Christians believe Jesus died on the cross so people would be forgiven.





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Diary Dates

Fri 1 Apr Term ends at 12:00

Tue 19 Apr Summer Term begins

Wed 20—Fri 22 Apr Y4 to Hindleap Warren

Tue 26 April 3:30-5:30 pm Parents' Meetings

Thu 28 April 3:30-7:30 pm Parents' Meetings

Fri 29 Apr YR, Y1 & Y2 Friendly Friday

Fri 29 Apr Y1 to Merrist Wood

Fri 6 May Y3 & Y4 Friendly Friday

Fri 6 May YR to Godstone Farm

Fri 6 May Young Voices @ The O2

Tue 10 May Y 1 & Y3 Drumming Workshop

Wed 11 May KS2 Author Visit

Fri 13 May Y5 & Y6 Friendly Friday

Mon 16 May Maple Class Home Front @ Henley Fort

Tue 17 May Elm Class Home Front

@ Henley Fort

Wed 18 May Y4 Tropical Beasts Workshop

Wed 25 May Reception Measurement Programme

Fri 27 May Y5 Bushcraft

30 May—3 Jun HALF TERM

Mon 6 Jun INSET DAY

Tue 7 Jun Y5 & Y6 Parents Coffee Morning

Wed 8 Jun YR Minibeast Workshop

Thu 9 Jun Y2 to The Lookout Discovery Centre

Fri 10 Jun YR, Y1 & Y2 Friendly Friday

Headteacher's Letter

Good morning and welcome to the end of the Spring term. It has certainly been an action packed term with so much going on in school and beyond the school day.

I am pleased to say that we are emerging fully into living in a COVID world. This week it was a joy to welcome parents back into school to celebrate children's achievements at Awards Assemblies. Over the last few weeks, we have been reviewing the operational running of the school and are keen to have closer relationships with parents which we hope will improve communication between school and home.

From the beginning of the Summer term, we would like to make amendments to the drop off and collection arrangements for children. The table below shows where children should be dropped and collected. There are no changes to the timing of the school day, however I would like to highlight that learning opportunities for children will start in the classroom immediately. Therefore if you choose to drop your child later than this, they will be missing learning opportunities. We are very keen that children attend school as much as possible for as long as possible. We appreciate your support in getting your children to school promptly. Registers are taken at 8:45 am.

Year Groups	Drop off location	Drop off time	Pick up location	Pick up time
Y1	Classroom doors	8.30 - 8.45 am	Classroom doors	3.05 pm
Y2	Peatmore playground back door	8.30 - 8.45 am	Peatmore playground back door	3.05 pm
Y3 & Y4	Hall doors as now	8.30 - 8.45 am	Coldharbour play- ground as now	3.10 pm
Y5 & Y6	Double doors next to school office by trim trail	8.30 - 8.45 am	Double doors next to school office by trim trail	3.15 pm

There are no changes to Squirrels or YR drop off or collection points

School gates will be opened just before 8.30am and parents may cross the site in any direction. There will be no need to queue on the road as the site should flow freely. Teachers will man the doors and are available for quick chats and messages at the beginning and end of the day. Please make sure that you see your child into school. Pupils who have permission to leave school at the end of the day will continue to be released. All doors will be opened promptly for children to come straight into school, no lining up is required. Please can I ask you to clear the school site promptly once dropping off or collecting your child as gates need to be locked to safeguard all children, particularly after school.

As we look forward to the start of the Summer term, may I take the opportunity to remind you that children are most welcome to wear summer uniform. Grey school shorts and blue checked dresses/skorts are available for sale in many High Street shops and supermarkets at a reasonable price and the school has a good supply of second-hand uniform for sale - please ask at the office or email s.alexander@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk Please remember to put suncream on your child before school and to send in a named sun hat on hot days. The school has a ready supply of chilled water for children to fill their (named) water bottles at any time during the school day.

Whilst we encourage you all to enjoy the Easter break, the school will continue to be busy. We have a number of contractors working on the site to complete building and gardening works. We are hopeful that a new hall floor will be fitted during this time, amongst other maintenance items.

After the holidays we have a variety of new clubs starting, so please keep an eye on all communications. We also have a plethora of trips, visitors and educational experiences planned. As a staff team, we shall be continuing with our professional development. Over the last few weeks, staff have attended twilight CPD sessions focusing on identifying and supporting children with ADHD. We have had the opportunity to engage with research regarding neuro developmental pathways for children with ADHD, as well as identifying strategies to support children at school and at home. If you have any queries about ADHD please do get in touch with our inclusion department at school. This week children and staff have participated in Autism Awareness Week and have undertaken various sessions in classrooms to develop their awareness of autism and inclusive practice.

I would like to take the opportunity to wish Mrs Atkins all the very best as she leaves us this term and to give our thanks for the nine years she has worked with the Pyrford team. Mrs Atkins has supported many children during her time at Pyrford and is now going to spend some time with her own family. We also say well done and goodbye to Miss Dennis who has been training to teach with us and wish her all the very best with her future career and the remainder of her training. We look forward to welcoming Mrs Vymetal who will be joining us after the break to teach small groups and individuals across the school.

I am also very pleased to announce that Mrs Rachel Clement has been appointed as Head of School for Pyrford. Mrs Clement will officially take up the post in September. There will be opportunities for parents to meet Mrs Clement over the Summer term - see the diary dates for details of the coffee mornings. I am looking forward to working alongside Mrs Clement whilst developing my role in executive trust leadership across a number of schools. I will still be retaining an office base at Pyrford and will be around to support the school community. I will be learning to share - not something I find easy!

I do hope you all manage an enjoyable break over the Easter holidays and will join me in sending thoughts to those of you who have made sacrifices over the Lent period as well as our Islamic families who will be participating in the holy month of Ramadan. For families who choose for their children to fast in school over the period of Ramadan, please can I ask you to contact the class teacher so that we can put appropriate provision in place for after the holidays.

I would like to personally thank staff who have again gone above and beyond this term to help keep the school fully open to all. There have been days on end when we have had 10 or more colleagues off with COVID for a significant period of time and our Pyrford team have stretched themselves to keep things going for the children. I know at times we may have dropped the odd plate whilst trying to spin them all and for that we apologise. We are hopeful that brighter days lie ahead and wish everyone some time off to re-energise.

Finally, we look forward to welcoming everybody back to school on Tuesday 19th April. I am hopeful that the drop off and collection arrangements will be effective, but like any initiative please bear with us as we iron out the creases.

Best wishes,

Kathryn Krynicki Headteacher

PARENTS MEETINGS

Tuesday 26th April 3.30 - 5.30pm

Thursday 28th April 3.30 - 7.30pm

Appointments will be face-to-face

Bookings open at 5pm today and close on Monday 25th at 5pm

Details of how to book have been emailed.



CONGRATULATIONS!

EFFORT		ACHIEVEMENT
R BEECH Noah Tubasei		RBEECH Leo Kulik
R HAZEL Manha Awan		RHAZEL Finley Lamb
1 OAK Maymoona Kha	an	1 OAK Ben Williams
1 PINE Matilda Clemen	its	1 PINE Jay Doyle
2 CEDAR Haider-Ali Awa	n	2 CEDAR Vivienne Berrange
2 HAWTHORN Freddie Smith		2 HAWTHORN Mitzi Schifano
2 SYCAMORE Andrew Georgia	ou	2 SYCAMORE Vraj Lakhwani
3 ELM Being awarded in the Sui	mmer term	3 ELM Tilly Waldron
3 MAPLE Ben Du Toit		3 MAPLE Evie Collomosse
4 ALDER Ayla Edgley		4 ALDER Caleb Hennessy
4 LARCH Emily Bailey		4 LARCH Sophie Richardson
5 ROWAN Abi Fisher		5 ROWAN Being awarded in the Summer term
5 WILLOW Sam Darling		5 WILLOW Chloe Smith
6 HOLLY Alfie Westen		6 HOLLY Muhammad-Zakariyya Hussain
6 LAUREL Charlie Lines		6 LAUREL Lalla-Salma Ayouche



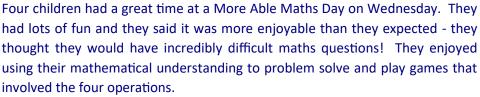
Vikings & Greeks - Years 5 & 6 Workshops



Y3 & Y4 More Able Maths Day







Clubs News

Our clubs have all been updated for next term and can be viewed on the school website under Extended School. My apologies that the original edition did not include choir, for some reason it had completely dropped off the radar. This has now been rectified.

You will see we have some exciting new clubs starting along with the introduction of 'mini kickers' football and dancing for reception.

Netball has proved very popular and is now full. You will receive an email confirming either your registration or confirmation that your name is on the waiting list. I am so grateful to the volunteers who have made this eagerly anticipated club possible.

Please be aware that the number of weeks can vary from club to club. This mainly affects Monday clubs due to either Bank Holidays or Inset days.

If you have any queries please do contact the club provider directly.

Have a fabulous Easter Break!

Kind Regards

Mrs J Rashbrook Extended Schools Manager esm@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk

Diary Dates (contd)

Tue 14 Jun Y3 & Y4 Parents Coffee Morning

Fri 17 Jun Y6 Lego Robotics

Fri 17 Jun Y3 & Y4 Friendly Friday

Mon 20 Jun Y4 Chinese Dragon Workshop

Mon 20 Jun Class Photos - Day 1

Tue 21 Jun Y1 & Y2 Parents Coffee Morning

Tue 21 Jun Y6 Leavers' Service @ Guildford Cathedral

Wed 22 Jun Class Photos - Day 2

Fri 24 Jun Y5 & Y6 Friendly Friday

Sat 25 Jun Brass Concert @ CoGS

Tue 28 Jun EYFS Parents Coffee Morning

Tue 28 Jun Y5 Archery / Assault Course

Wed 29 Jun Y5 to Wildwood

Thu 30 Jun Y5 Pyrford Camp

Fri 1 Jul Y5 Breakfast BBQ & Team Challenge

Mon 4 & Tue 5 Jul Y3 Activity Days

Mon 11—Fri 15 Jul Y6 Residential @ Osmington Bay

Tue 12 Jul 10:30-13:00 Singing Picnic

Thu 21 Jul Term ends at 12:00

FOR YR 4 PARENTS OF CHILDREN
ATTENDING THE RESIDENTIAL,
PLEASE CHECK YOUR EMAIL FOR
IMPORTANT INFORMATION



Ink Cartridge Collection

You can help us raise funds by recycling your ink cartridges. The box is by the school office. We cannot take toner and laser cartridges.



Term Dates 2022/23

Thursday 1st & Friday 2nd September INSET DAYS

Monday 5th September Term starts for children

Monday 24th - Friday 28th October HALF TERM

Monday 31st October INSET DAY

Thursday 15th December Term ends at 12:00

Tuesday 3rd January INSET DAY

Wednesday 4th January Term starts for children

Monday 13th - Friday 17th February HALF TERM

Friday 31st March Term ends

Monday 17th April Term starts

Monday 1st May BANK HOLIDAY

Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June HALF TERM

Monday 5th June INSET DAY

Friday 21st July Term ends



We are so very proud of former pupil Ben Porter.

At the weekend he competed in the British Gymnastics Championships in Liverpool where he won the all-around title of the Under 14 British Champion. He also became the Under 14 Pommel Horse Champion and silver medallist on Rings. At 12 years old, he was one of the youngest competitors in this age group.

If anyone wants to watch his routines, they're on Youtube - British Gymnastics, Benjamin Porter.

Family Market Learning Market Market



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 - **OMaths** Learn about methods used in schools today.
 - Cookery Be inspired and cook healthy family dishes together.





Church News





Tuesdays 9am to 9:30am
(Coffee available 8:45am)
At the EMMAUS Chapel, Church of the Good Shepherd, Coldharbour Road, Pyrford.
Join us to pray for Children, Youth and Families.

