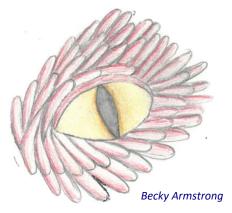
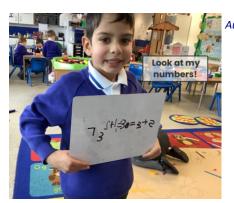
# Pyrford C of E Primary School Weekly Newsletter

# Golden Book Highlights

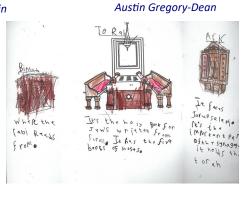




**Bethany Hills** 







Zahra Zaib







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#### **Diary Dates**

#### 14—18 Feb HALF TERM

**Thu 24 Feb** 3:30pm Y6 SATS Information Meeting

Fri 25 Feb YR, Y1 & Y2 Friendly Friday

Tue 1 Mar Y5 & Y6 Author Visit

Wed 2 Mar 13:15-15:00 Y2 singers to KS1 Choral Festival

Thu 3 Mar World Book Day

Fri 4 Mar Y3 & Y4 Friendly Friday

Tue 8 Mar Y5 visit the Mosque

Tue 8 Mar District Cross Country
Tournament

Fri 11 Mar Y5 & Y6 Friendly Friday

**Thu 17 Mar** Y2 to Brooklands Museum

Mon 21 Mar Y6 Greek Workshop

Tue 22 Mar Y5 Viking Workshop

Wed 23 Mar 4-8pm Choir to Surrey Primary Music Festival @ Dorking Halls

Fri 1 Apr Term ends at 12:00

Tue 19 Apr Summer Term begins

Wed 20—Fri 22 Apr Y4 to Hindleap Warren

**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

Fri 13 May Y5 & Y6 Friendly Friday

Mon 16 May Maple Class Home Front @ Henley Fort

# Deputy Headteacher's Letter

#### **Dear Parents**

Good morning. Welcome to our last newsletter of this half term and my guest appearance! It's been quite a half term too with so many children (and staff) who have had to isolate. Fingers crossed, we seem to be turning a corner with the number of cases we have in school. A big thank you to all the staff who have rearranged days and helped out when we have been so short staffed.

On briefly seeing a news bulletin yesterday, it seems there is a possibility that isolation will stop at the end of this month rather than in March. We will wait and see what is announced.

One of our highlights this week was our 'Dress to Express' day on Monday. There were some wonderful outfits and I was really impressed by the effort that had been made. We had wigs, hats, Rapunzel and The Riddler to name but a few; lots of footballers of course too! Many teachers expressed their wish to dress in comfortable clothes, apart from Mrs Porter who came in dressed as a penguin!! Thank you so much for your donations via Scopay. So far we have raised £335 for the charity Place2Be; we will be keeping the Scopay donation page open over half term.

Our in-house photographer Mrs Phelan has taken some great pictures of the day - see the next page and even more on the website.

The day was part of Children's Mental Health week which is running this week. This year's theme is 'Growing Together' and the aim is to encourage children (and adults) to consider how they have grown emotionally and mentally, and how they can help others to grow. Also part of this week is 'Safer Internet Day'. It is so important for children to learn how to use technology responsibly and respectfully. Teachers planned activities around both these themes.

Teachers have also been busy planning for next half term and we have lots of trips and visitors coming up for the children; it is so lovely to be able to arrange these activities again as the children gain so much from them. We also look forward to being able to hold our Friendly Fridays and parent coffee meetings too.

We start the first day next half term with a very important task – interviewing for the position of Head of School. This is a process that doesn't just involve Governors and Trustees of the school - we are really proud to engage all of our Well-being Warriors, School Ambassadors and House Captains in the process too! They have an important role to play in helping to find the right person for our school. Watch this space!!

Lastly, can I please remind you that from next half term we will be returning to all pupils wearing the correct school uniform, including school shoes. PE kits should only be worn on their designated PE days. If you are unsure of which days, then please contact your class teacher.

I think that is all!! It just leaves me to wish you all an enjoyable (and healthy) half-term break.

With best wishes

Sally Little
Deputy Headteacher

#### Diary Dates (contd)

**Tue 17 May** Elm Class Home Front @ Henley Fort

**Wed 18 May** Y4 Tropical Beasts Workshop

Fri 27 May Y5 Bushcraft

30 May-3 Jun HALF TERM

**Mon 6 Jun INSET DAY** 

Wed 8 Jun YR Minibeast Workshop

**Thu 9 Jun** Y2 to The Lookout Discovery Centre

**Fri 10 Jun** YR, Y1 & Y2 Friendly Friday

Fri 17 Jun Y6 Lego Robotics

Fri 17 Jun Y3 & Y4 Friendly Friday

Tue 21 Jun Y6 Leavers' Service @ Guildford Cathedral

Fri 24 Jun Y5 & Y6 Friendly Friday

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

Sat 2 Jul Brass Concert @ CoGS

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



As part of Children's Mental Health Week, the whole school enjoyed the Dress to Express Day on Monday, raising money for Place2Be. If you haven't yet made a donation, it is still available on your Scopay account.

During the week the children have been focussing on internet safety

and on other activities highlighting good mental health. A new resource section of books has been added for all staff to make use of.

You may have read that Catherine, the Duchess of Cambridge, will be reading a CBeebies Bedtime Story as part of Children's Mental Health Week. Catch her reading *The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark'* from this Sunday, 13th.







To celebrate World Book Day on Thursday 3rd March we will have plenty of fun activities taking place, including:

- Inviting children to bring in their favourite books
- Inviting children to dress up as their favourite book character there are some really good, simple ideas on the World Book Day website <a href="https://www.worldbookday.com/dressing-up-ideas/">https://www.worldbookday.com/dressing-up-ideas/</a>
- Exciting and engaging activities in their classrooms based around a story of their teacher's choice



Do take a look at the World Book Day website. There are some great resources including brilliant book lists of recommended reads, arranged by age and themes. <a href="https://www.worldbookday.com/reading-recommendations/">https://www.worldbookday.com/reading-recommendations/</a>



They also have a World of Stories where you can enjoy our **FREE audiobooks**. Take a look at their selection, available until **31st** March!

https://www.worldbookday.com/world-of-stories/

## Cookery Club

Our cookery club mini master chefs finished their term decorating cakes and cookies and as you can see, they all had a

wonderful time. Like Christmas tree needles I think we may be finding sprinkles for quite some time!







#### **GOLDEN BOOK**

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GOLDEN BOOK WINNERS THIS WEEK

#### **N SOUIRRELS**

Jack Luke. Jack loves building things. He is often found playing with the different construction sets. Jack talks about his models and likes to show them to his friends.

#### 3 ELM

Bibi Knott for working really hard in maths this week, using a place value chart and base 10 to divide a 2 digit number by a 1 digit number - sometimes with exchange! It is such a tricky skill and Bibi has done so well.

#### R BEECH

Zahra Zaib. We have been reading the story *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*. We went on a bear hunt and then came back and drew maps of where we had been and what we found. Zahra drew a lovely map and explained the different areas from our journey. Well done Zahra!

#### 3 MAPLE

Emma Robinson. In English we have been reading *Krindlekrax*. Emma wrote a great description of Elvis who is one of the characters. We are really pleased that Emma has worked so hard on her writing.

#### R HAZEL

Austin Gallagher. Austin has been writing loads of numbers this week! His 'Proud Square' is filled with numbers and he's now trying to do some adding too! Well done Austin!

#### 4 ALDER

Sam Willgoss and Henry Snelgrove for both putting a big effort into improving their handwriting and the presentation of the work. They have both made huge improvements recently. Keep it up boys!

#### 1 OAK

Bethany Hills. Year 1 have been learning about moving pictures in Design & Technology. We learnt last week about levers, sliders and wheels. We practised making them and then designed our own pictures. Bethany made a fantastic moving picture with two moving parts. Well done Bethany!

#### 4 LARCH

Austin Gregory-Dean for making an excellent leaflet all about synagogues. Austin, I am so proud of you! You have tried really hard with the presentation of your writing too. Well done!

#### 1 PINE

Belle Currid. This week we made our own moving pictures. Belle worked independently to create hers and she even worked out how to make her bridge pop up. Belle noticed that the bridge was unstable so she investigated how to support it and make it more stable. We think Belle is an engineer in the making! Well done Belle!

#### 5 ROWAN

James Du Toit for his wonderful diary entry. James has stayed in role for his writing as the cat from our book *Way Home*. He has shown he clearly understands the features needed for this genre of writing. He has tried really hard to up level and improve his work too. Well done James!

#### 2 CEDAR

Amelia Lamb. We designed our own wolves to be characters in the story we have been enjoying called *Rabbit & Bear*. Amelia used adjectives to describe her work in sentences that use capital letters and full stops. She tried so hard with her handwriting and spelling too. Fantastic work Amelia!

#### 5 WILLOW

Jasper Eysenck for his excellent diary entry as the cat from our story *Way Home*. Jasper has been able to write in the character of the cat very well and has used time conjunctions to ensure his writing is in chronological order. Jasper has been putting 100% effort into his writing recently and I have been very impressed with the progress he is making. Well done Jasper!

#### 2 HAWTHORN

Ben Watkins for doing a wonderful job with ALL of our Year 2 learning. He has worked brilliantly with our maths topics, and this week has confidently tackled multiplying and dividing by 2, 5 and 10. His speed and accuracy in solving calculations is really impressive. Great work Ben!

#### 6 HOLLY

Becky Armstrong for her excellent sketches of a dragon's eye in Art. The way she has used samples to try out different ways to draw the scales shows how she considered her options, and the final sketch is very effective with the texture she has created and colour choice for her dragon. Well done Becky!

#### 2 SYCAMORE

Alana Foote. Alana has enjoyed our *Rabbit & Bear* story in English. After creating her own character, Wolf, and thinking about some adjectives and noun phrases to describe her, she wrote a fantastic Wanted Poster. She has impressed both myself and Mrs Goree with her lovely vocabulary. Well done Alana!

#### 6 LAUREL

Adam Hussain. In RE we are learning about the Buddhist faith and the steps Buddhists follow in the Noble Eightfold Path. Adam worked so hard with his writing this week and followed the Year 6 'non-negotiables for writing', as well as including headings and subheadings. I am so impressed with Adam's presentation. Well done Adam, keep up the great work!



Ben Watkins

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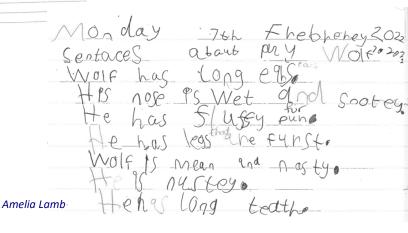
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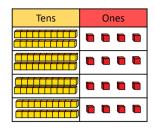
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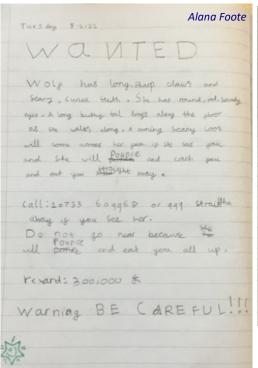


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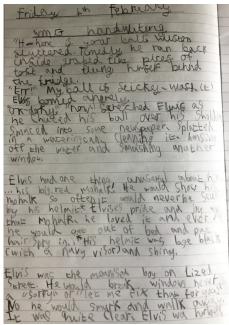
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Monday 5th September

Monday 24th - Friday 28th October

Monday 31st October

Thursday 15th December

Tuesday 3rd January

Wednesday 4th January

Monday 13th - Friday 17th February

Friday 31st March

Monday 17th April

Monday 1st May

Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June

Monday 5th June

Friday 21st July

**INSET DAYS** 

Term starts for children

**HALF TERM** 

**INSET DAY** 

Term ends at 12:00

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### **Church News**





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