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Pyrford C of E Primary School Weekly Newsletter



Social Media Highlights

Year 5 had a very special visit from @huxleybirdsofprey as part of their hook for their Power of Reading text 'Skellig'. The children absolutely loved learning lots of new facts about the birds and thoroughly enjoyed having the opportunity to hold 2 birds each!



In Science this week, Year 3 have been investigating the strength of a magnet. They have used paper clips to identify how strong the magnet is.



In Reception the children have been exploring their art skills by working with clay. They first explored clay and used it for mark making. Then, they created beautiful Diva Lamps for Diwali. Well done, Reception.

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Head's Letter

Good morning.

We have had another lovely, busy week here at school. It's certainly getting to feel very wintery now isn't it? Please make sure that your children remember to bring their coats to school to keep warm in the playground.

We are looking forward to the Christmas Fair next Saturday. Thank you for your contributions of teddies, soft toys and really lovely items for the gift stall. Next Friday will be a mufti day in exchange for donations of chocolate and/or bottles for the tombolas. It's also the day for your child to bring in their Jolly Jars - full of chocolates/sweets and decorated in a jolly Christmas theme - please remember that there should be no nuts!

I was especially excited to meet the owls on Wednesday - I love birds. These experiences really bring the children's learning to life and make such memories for them (and the staff!)

In other news, we are sad to be saying goodbye on Monday to one of our lovely members of staff. Mrs Vieira is leaving to start a new pathway, training to be a speech and language assistant. We wish her lots of luck on her new venture. You may have also noticed some new members of staff who have joined us recently. This half term we have welcomed Mrs Ali, Mrs Russell and Mrs Westen to the team. It is lovely to have them with us.

I would like to apologise that there have been no Friendly Fridays this term. These will start in January and we will put dates in the newsletter before Christmas.

I can't quite believe that there are only three weeks left before we break up for Christmas. Time certainly flies when you are having fun! We are looking forward to welcoming parents to our Christmas plays and carols on the 7th & 8th and to our Christmas Service on Thursday 15th December.

Have a good weekend everyone.

Rachel Clement

Head of School

Winners of the Anti-Bullying Week Kindness Awards



Ben, Evie and Amira were chosen from the 'Acts of Kindness' boxes in which many children had written about how they had been kind or how someone else had been kind to them.

A huge thank you to all the children whose names were in the boxes. You are all a credit to our school.

2023/24

Please note that the first day back to school for children next September will be Wednesday 6th. Full details of term dates and other INSET days will be published shortly.



We are looking for a volunteer to help with cookery club next year. If you are interested, please email

info@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk

If no one comes forward we will unfortunately have to restrict numbers to only 8 children.

GOLDEN BOOK

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GOLDEN BOOK WINNERS THIS WEEK

<p>N SQUIRRELS</p> <p>Riley Brien. Riley loves to draw! He is always able to tell us about his pictures in great detail.</p>	<p>3 JUNIPER</p> <p>Andrew Georgiou for creating a fabulous Seawig from flotsam that you might find washed up on an island. He then wrote some brilliant instructions explaining how to build it using bossy imperative verbs and interesting adjectives. Wonderful work Andrew!</p>
<p>R BEECH</p> <p>Tara Highton for writing about Remembrance Day in our celebration writing. Tara listened carefully for all the sounds in the words and was very keen to know how to write the sounds we haven't even learnt yet!</p>	<p>3 MAPLE</p> <p>Maggie Freeman. Last week Year 3 had the chance to build a Seawig from items you might find on the beach. Maggie has used her knowledge to write some excellent instructions telling everyone how to build an expert Seawig. She has included imperative verbs and lots of brilliant adjectives to make her writing more interesting.</p>
<p>R HAZEL</p> <p>Hassan Jahangeer. This week we've continued to learn about what makes 5. Hassan has shown that he can make 5 in different ways. He was able to explain that a group of 3 black counters and a group of 2 green counters makes a bigger group of 5. Well done Hassan!</p>	<p>4 ALDER</p> <p>Sienna Cottrell for the creativity she puts into her writing. She always thinks very carefully about her sentences to make them sound as interesting as possible and shows the reader what she is imagining.</p>
<p>1 OAK</p> <p>Audrey Jessup. We have been learning about the life cycle of penguins. Audrey explained it so clearly in her diagram and has used fantastic 'expert' language. Well done Audrey!</p>	<p>4 LARCH</p> <p>Rhia Xenou for an amazing explanation text which explains what you might find in Professor Brownstone's vault. She came up with some very imaginative ideas and impressed us with her choice of language and vocabulary.</p>
<p>1 PINE</p> <p>Luca Cheney-Hackman. We have been learning about Antarctica and penguins and have made and written about the life cycle of penguins. Luca wrote independently and remembered capital letters and full stops. Well done Luca!</p>	<p>5 ROWAN</p> <p>Faghiyah Hussain for her fantastic writing. She has worked so hard on setting the scene, using some wonderful description and lovely sentence structures. She has also been trying really hard to increase the size of her writing. Well done!</p>
<p>2 CEDAR</p> <p>Ali Hussain. We have been busy in Year 2 writing diary entries as one of the characters from <i>Orion and the Dark</i>. Ali used some fantastic sentence openers and recalled the story brilliantly from Dark's point of view. Well done Ali!</p>	<p>5 WILLOW</p> <p>Fleur Cobbett for her outstanding Maths. We have been learning how to divide by 10, 100 and 1000 this week and she has impressed us with how hard she has worked on this. She has clearly understood her division of whole numbers very well. We are very proud of the effort she is putting in - well done!</p>
<p>2 HAWTHORN</p> <p>Avinesh Ramanathan. In Maths, we have been drawing 2D shapes. Avi worked hard to use a ruler carefully. He checked his shapes by counting the number of sides. He also challenged himself to draw different types of hexagons. Well done Avi!</p>	<p>6 HOLLY</p> <p>Charlotte Bushen for impressive writing this week about compasses. We are studying Shackleton's journey to Antarctica and how they found their way. Charlotte has used some excellent technical vocabulary, layout devices and has drawn a super diagram. Well done Charlotte!</p>
<p>3 ELM</p> <p>William Carpenter for writing a very carefully thought out set of instructions for how to build an expert Seawig. He has chosen his vocabulary and imperative verbs carefully to add detail and has structured his writing well. Great job William!</p>	<p>6 LAUREL</p> <p>Sophia Macpherson for her excellent information poster on the Amazon river in our Geography topic Raging Rivers. Sophia laid out her work very clearly and included some interesting facts in her poster. Well done Sophia, keep up the great work!</p>

Diary Dates

Tue 29 Nov Y6 Measurement Programme

Fri 2 Dec Christmas Fayre Donation Day and Jolly Jam Jars

Sat 3 Dec PTA Christmas Fayre

Mon 5 Dec Pantomime Performance

Tue 6 Dec Y6 Antarctic Explorers Workshop

Tue 6 Dec Y5/6 Netball Tournament @ St Mary's

Wed 7 Dec Photographer for Individuals/Siblings absent from previous sessions

Wed 7 Dec 10:30 Reception & Nursery Nativity

Wed 7 Dec 14:00 Y1 & Y2 *The Christmas Story*

Thu 8 Dec 14:00 KS2 Carols (led by Y5)

Thu 8 Dec Friends' Panto Outing

Wed 14 Dec Elf Visit to Nursery & Reception

Thu 15 Dec 09:00 School Christmas Service

Thu 15 Dec 12:00 Term Ends

Tue 3 Jan INSET DAY

Wed 4 Jan Term Starts for Children

Fri 27 Jan Y1 Trip to Windsor Castle

Tue 31 Jan Y6 Greek Workshop

Mon 13 - Fri 17 Feb HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Wed 8 Feb Fantastic Fred Experience for Mental Health Week

Wed 1 & Thu 2 Mar YN-Y2 Perform Drama Workshops

Wed 15 Mar Y2 Trip to Brooklands

Mon 20 Mar Y5 Vikings Workshop

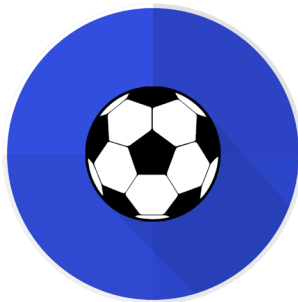
Fri 31 Mar Term Ends

Mon 17 Apr Term Starts

Wed 19 - Fri 21 Apr Y4 Residential to Hindleap Warren

Wed 26 April 16:00-20:00 Primary Music Festival (KS2 choir)

Mon 1 May BANK HOLIDAY



On Wednesday our year 6 football team consisting of Sam H, Sam D, Sam B, Alex, Gus, Theo, Finley, Jared and Jake were proud to take part in another tournament at Greenfield School. The boys worked amazingly as a team. The first game got off to a great start with a goal in the first few minutes from Jared and finished 1-1.

The 2nd game they won 1-0 with a goal from Gus.

The 3rd game they won 1-0 with a cracking left foot goal from Jared. It was all to play for with our final game against West Byfleet, which we unfortunately lost 2-0. A special mention to Sam H who was fantastic in goal.

All the boys worked so hard and really did us proud!

Well done boys!

PLEASE NOTE there is a large funeral taking place at the Church of the Good Shepherd next Wednesday (30th) so parking is likely to be restricted at pick up time. Please allow extra time to find a safe place to park elsewhere.

OFFICE REMINDERS

- There are a number of Breakfast Club & Treetops accounts that need bringing up to date please.
- Please, please name all your child's clothing including football & PE kit. This is just the unnamed PE tops in lost property!



Diary Dates (contd)

Tue 16 May Y4 Rainforest Workshop

Fri 19 May Y5 to Hampton Court

Mon 29 May - Fri 2 Jun HALF TERM HOLIDAY

MON 5 Jun INSET DAY

Tue 13 Jun Leavers' Service at Guildford Cathedral

Tue 13 Jun YN/YR Minibeam Workshop

Thu 15 Jun Y2 to The Lookout Discovery Centre

Wed 21 Jun Y4 Chinese Dragon Workshop

Wed 21 Jun Y6 Lego Robotics Workshop

Thu 29 Jun Y3 Activity Day - 2 classes tbc

Fri 30 Jun Y3 Activity Day - 1 class tbc

Fri 30 Jun Y5 Trip to Wildwood

Mon 10 - Fri 14 Jul Y6 Residential to Osmington Bay

Fri 21 Jul Term Ends



Christmas Tree Sale

Saturday 3rd December
10am – midday

4-5ft	£45	
5-6ft	£55	
6-7ft	£60	
7-8ft	£70	
8ft +	£80	

Stands £20

PYRFORD C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

Key Date: 2nd December

❖ **Donation Day and Jolly Jam Jars!**

Please send your child in with donations of:

- ❖ Bottles for the **Bottle Tombola** stall and/or
- ❖ Chocolate for the **Chocolate Tombola** stall

Finally, remember to send your child in with their decorated and filled **Jolly Jam Jars!**

Jolly Jam Jars can be filled with sweeties and chocolates (no nuts please) and decorated in a jolly Christmas theme.

Thank you!!

PYRFORD C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL



PTA PANTO

Due to a cancellation, there are 4 seats available in the Upper Circle.

The form link is

<https://forms.gle/vdXYrXX8hHzZWu7S7>



THE PYRFORD SILENT AUCTION IS BACK AND NOW OPEN!

There are a wide range of fabulous items to suit all budgets and interests including:


An immersive dining experience, gardening services, A gin distillery tour, panto tickets, gym passes, beauty treatments, sports massage, family days out, children's activities & classes
Plus many more items...

Bidding is easy! Just create an account (which takes seconds), place your bid and you will be notified if you are outbid so you can increase your amount. You can also place a maximum bid.

Start bidding at <https://www.32auctions.com/pyrfordsilentauction2022>

Closing date: Sunday 9th December at 11pm

HAPPY BIDDING!



Church News

When?
Tuesday Afternoons
1:00pm-2:45pm
Starting 18th October
& one Saturday tbc

Coffee, Cake,
Video, Discussion

Where?
Trinity Room,
Church of the Good Shepherd,
Pyrford GU22 8SP

The Alpha Course.
You're invited.

Contact suzanne@wisleywithpyrford.org/07713768629 to sign up

Is your child starting school in September 2023?

If your child was born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019 you will need to apply for a school place. You can apply between **31 October 2022** and **15 January 2023**.

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**.

Applying on time will give your child the best chance of getting one of your preferred schools.

Apply online
 between
31 October 2022
 and **15 January 2023**



This year, we're collecting pre-loved toys at our Grotto. These will be donated to Sebastian's Action Trust where they will have the opportunity to go to a new home to be loved once again.

Want to get involved? Please donate any pre-loved toys you have to our friendly elves in the grotto.

Find out more at vpwoking.co.uk

VICTORIA PLACE
 HOME OF 'THE FORGOTTEN TOYS'

We'd love to see you at the
Coffee Shop
Friday Mornings (term time)
At the Church of the Good Shepherd, Pyrford

- 8:30am. Self service tea, coffee, squash in the church area. (Play area and toys here also.)
- 9:00am to 11:00am. All areas open.
- 9:00am-10:30am. Cooked Breakfasts served.

See www.wisleywithpyrford.org or "Good Shepherd Pyrford" Facebook page for more info.

EXPLORE THE BIBLE

For all ages, families & friends. ☺☺

Mondays after school

3:15pm to 4:15pm

In the Main Church

Term Time Only
 (not on inset days or in holidays.)

Join us to learn about different stories from the Bible with activities, crafts, songs and snacks.

The Church of the Good Shepherd

YOUTH CLUB JNR

FOR SCHOOL YEARS 4, 5 AND 6

50P ENTRANCE FEE

6.30 - 7.45 PM

TUCK SHOP :-)

@ CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Dear PARENTS:- We need four parents per night to have the appropriate adult to child ratio in our Church Safeguarding policy. So, if you have not already volunteered this year, **PLEASE LOOK AND SEE** if you might be free once this term, that would be WONDERFUL!

If free, you can email suzanne@wisleywithpyrford.org or fill in this slip and return it at Youth Club Jnr. Many thanks.
 Name & contact no./email _____

I would be available to help on Friday _____ (date)

SEPTEMBER

Friday 16th September 6:30pm-7:45pm

@ the church of the good shepherd

Friday 30th September 6:30pm-7:45pm

@ the church of the good shepherd

Friday 14th October 6:30pm-7:45pm

@ the church of the good shepherd

NOVEMBER

Friday 11th November 6:30pm-7:45pm

TRIP OUT BOWLING - GUILDFORD SPECTRUM

Friday 25th November 6:30pm-7:45pm

@ the church of the good shepherd

Friday 9th December is the final youth club (not 16th as advertised previously)

Games
laughter
Challenger
Team Work
Bible Exploration
Prayer
Fun Praise
food Peace

For children in school years 5 & 6

21st TO 23rd APRIL 2023

AT DALES DOWN CHRISTIAN CENTRE
 HORSFORD, RH13 8BX

DEEPER WITH GOD
Weekend Away