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# Pyrford C of E Primary School Weekly Newsletter



  
THE NEWARK TRUST



## Social Media Highlights

*In Year 1 we have been out and about looking for signs that winter is on its way. We explored winter trays and used adjectives to describe. We also drew winter illusions in response to the poems that we read together.*



*To enhance the amazing story of Shackleton's journey Year 6 are studying, we were enthralled by stories of the trip undertaken by our visitor Al Sylvester. He showed photos and told what it was like to go on an unsupported expedition to the South Pole. Some children wore the actual clothing he wore. The children were absolutely spellbound. It was a truly memorable visit - a tale of true resilience!*



*Last Friday, Year 2 enjoyed their library time. They're always so excited to visit the library and share books together. We are so fortunate to be able to immerse the children in such a range of books at school.*

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## Head's Letter

Good morning!

I cannot believe that this is the last newsletter of 2022! I have now been here a whole term and would like to say a huge thank you to all of you, staff and children for being so kind and welcoming to me. I have had a wonderful time and haven't looked back once.

What a treat we had this week from the children, performing their Christmas shows and Carol Concert. The children were a delight and I was so proud of each of them, as I am sure you were. Once again thank you to the staff for all of the hard work that was put into making them so successful.

Don't forget that we will be having our final Christmas assembly in the church on Thursday at ..... and you are all welcome to join us.

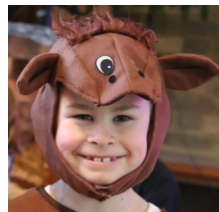
Today the children will be having their Christmas lunch served by the staff, and they will also be seeing a very special video that has been made by the staff! I am sure that this will be shared for you all to see on our social media.

All that is left to say is Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all, and we look forward to seeing you in 2023!

Keep safe and have fun this holiday time.

Rachel Clement

Head of School



### OFFICE REMINDERS

- ◆ If you need to email a member of the office team about lunches, clubs, etc, which needs to be actioned that day, please use [office@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:office@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk) which is monitored by all members of the team.
- ◆ Please make sure that your Breakfast Club and Treetops accounts are brought up today by the end of today.
- ◆ If your child enjoyed Christmas Jumper Day, please give via our JusingGiving page here: <https://christmas.savethechildren.org.uk/fundraising/tina-williams-christmas-jumper-day> Whatever anyone donates will be doubled by the UK government.



# GOLDEN BOOK

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GOLDEN BOOK WINNERS THIS WEEK

<p><b>N SQUIRRELS</b> Sophia Rundle for singing so beautifully in our Christmas Concert and joining in with the actions for every song. Well done Sophia!</p>	<p><b>3 JUNIPER</b> JJ Gray. This week we have been testing different materials and shapes of kites. JJ created a delta kite using wrapping paper and tested it in the playground. Great work JJ!</p>
<p><b>R BEECH</b> Fatimah Bint-Muhammad for trying really hard with her learning this term. She has been working hard counting to 5 and learning to read and write her letter sounds. Keep up the good work Fatimah!</p>	<p><b>3 MAPLE</b> Lucy Holliday. In Year 3 we have been investigating kites. First we found out about the different parts and what they do. Lucy worked sensibly as part of a group to label the parts of a kite. She then worked hard to design her own kite. Well done Lucy.</p>
<p><b>R HAZEL</b> Issy Sach. She has shown a lot of interest in numbers recently. She was very proud of the Numberblocks she created and counted them all out to make sure that they were all correct. Then she ordered magnetic numbers that had been all muddled up. Well done Issy!</p>	<p><b>4 ALDER</b> Eden Stuart. Eden has a fantastic imagination, uses great ideas from our books and always produces very creative writing. Eden, your sentences are wonderful!</p>
<p><b>YEAR 1</b> Everyone for their brilliant performance in the Christmas production. We are so proud of you!</p>	<p><b>4 LARCH</b> Clara Beasley for the fantastic effort she has put into her singing. She is a good role model for others. Well done for singing with such enthusiasm - it is clear to see that she has enjoyed every minute of it.</p>
	<p><b>5 ROWAN</b> Everyone for their fantastic effort with the Carol Concert. They have all worked so hard with their words, acting and singing. They have made us proud with their enthusiasm and collaboration. Well done!</p>
<p><b>2 CEDAR</b> Adam Nawaz for working really hard at his reading this term. He is becoming more confident each day. Well done Adam!</p>	<p><b>5 WILLOW</b> Dexter Evans for the extraordinary effort he has put into every rehearsal in preparation for the Carol Concert. He has impressed us with his professionalism when he is on stage and we can see how much he loves to perform. He really is a brilliant performer and we are so excited for everyone to hear his lovely singing voice. Well done and as they say in the performing world - break a leg!</p>
<p><b>2 HAWTHORN</b> Charlotte Allen for working incredibly hard with her binka sewing. Sewing is an activity Charlotte thoroughly enjoys and has become an expert at it, creating a beautifully stitched stocking. Well done!</p>	<p><b>6 HOLLY</b> George Mayman-Palmer for his amazing work in our Geography rivers topic. He impressed us with his labelled diagrams explaining how waterfalls and meanders are formed and his explanations of the three processes at work in a river. Great work George!</p>
<p><b>3 ELM</b> Olivia Steen. In Year 3 we have been testing different shapes and materials for making a kite. Olivia has worked really hard to design and test a successful kite. Well done Livvy!</p>	<p><b>6 LAUREL</b> Amber Vickery for her incredible artwork for the Year 6 Christmas display. She captured the light reflecting on the baubles and the Christmas tree branches looked so realistic. Well done Amber, keep up the great work!</p>

*The children enjoyed the Aladdian panto performance on Monday ... oh yes they did!*



## Diary Dates

**Mon 12 Dec EYFS/KS1 Awards Assembly**

**Tue 13 Dec KS2 Awards Assembly**

**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**

**Wed 8 Feb Fantastic Fred Experience for Mental Health Week**

**Mon 13 - Fri 17 Feb HALF TERM HOLIDAY**

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

**Wed 15 Mar Y2 Trip to Brooklands**

**Mon 20 Mar Y5 Vikings Workshop**

**Wed 29 Mar YN/R Little City Visit School**

**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**



Congratulations to our Year 5/6 netball team who took part in a tournament at St Mary's Byfleet on Tuesday. They played 4 matches, won 3 and drew 1 and finished top overall. Well done girls!

Many thanks to Mrs Stringfellow and Mrs Currid for accompanying them.

### Helping to make ends meet

**ASDA Café** Every day, for the rest of this year, kids can eat at ASDA Cafés for £1, with no adult spend required.

**LEAP** The energy and money saving service. LEAP is a free service that is helping people keep warm and reduce their energy bills without costing them any money. See how you can save. <https://applyforleap.org.uk>

**Woking Family Centre** Family Centres support families to find solutions to the parenting and relationships challenges they face and to grow in confidence to manage future difficulties. <https://www.woking.gov.uk/community/woking-family-services/woking-family-services-groups-and-courses>

**Jigaw** A vibrant hub that hosts a range of creative projects to support, encourage and empower those who find themselves on the margins. <http://www.lighthousewoking.org/>

## Fleur, nine, sells her paintings to help homeless

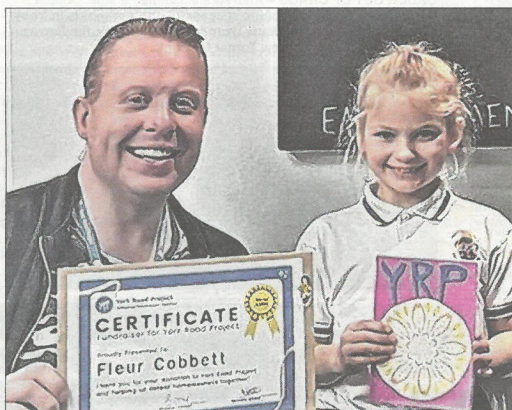
SEEING a homeless woman in Woking town centre has prompted a nine-year-old to sell her paintings to raise money for the York Road Project, writes Stuart Flitton.

Fleur Cobbett, who lives in Maybury, asked her mum, Anna Griffiths, if they could invite the woman to their home. "I said 'That's absolutely lovely but our house simply isn't big enough to take in all the homeless people'," Anna said.

After a meeting with staff at the Woking homelessness charity, Fleur decided to sell her paintings online. Anna set up a GoFundMe page which has a soundtrack and is called "Fleur's Soothing Music to Paintings". "She likes painting, especially sunsets and trees," Anna said.

Some people download the images for a donation and others have bought the original painting, so far raising about £70.

The York Road Project gave Fleur a certificate acknowledging her efforts and she showed it to her fellow pupils and teachers at Pyrford C of E Primary School.



"She was thrilled to bits to get the certificate and we've shared what she's doing in the school newsletter, so it's

raised a bit more awareness of the York Road Project," Anna said. Stephen Ireland, the charity's



**CONGRATULATIONS** – Left, Fleur Cobbett receives her certificate from Stephen Ireland, the York Road Project community fundraiser. Above, one of the paintings Fleur has sold to help the charity.

community fundraiser, said: "We are very grateful for Fleur's fundraising efforts.

"It was a delight for staff to meet her and her mum and hear her story about why she wanted to help us defeat homelessness together.

"Young fundraisers typically approach homelessness with no judgement and it's refreshing because part of a fundraiser's job is effectively communicating that homelessness can happen to anyone and we can start to

break down the stigmas that are typically attached to those who are rough sleeping."

As well as donating via Fleur's GoFundMe page, anyone wanting to help support the York Road Project can buy gifts from its Christmas wish-list via Amazon.

"These gifts will be given out on Christmas morning to our clients," Stephen said.

"They range from much-needed items such as underwear, slippers and long-shelf-life food, vouchers and wash sets."

There is also a "sponsor a bed" campaign, in which donors can pay for accommodation for rough sleepers at the York Road Project's facilities.

"Alternatively, a monetary donation will help us as we continue to support our clients 365 days a year, 24 hours a day through our direct access accommodation and our resource and prevention centre here in Woking," Stephen said.

● VISIT [www.yorkroadproject.org.uk](http://www.yorkroadproject.org.uk) for more information about the charity.



## 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

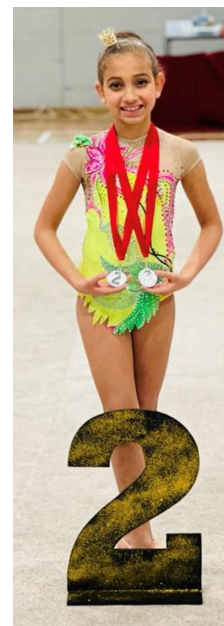
Deema from Willow Class was recently awarded second place in two Rhythmic Gymnastics competitions.

Well done Deema!



### LUNCH BAGS / BOXES

Please note that any lunch bags or boxes left behind on Thursday, will be disposed of.



Last chance to buy tickets in our PTA Christmas Raffle! Follow the link to purchase a ticket to be in with a chance to win one of our fantastic prizes.

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## THANK YOU!

A **HUGE thank you** for everyone across the school community who supported our schools Christmas Fayre on the 3<sup>rd</sup> December

It was a great success and together we **raised over £5,000**. These funds go directly into supporting much needed equipment, resources and more.

A special thank you to the **phenomenal Class Rep team** who did a super job of hosting stalls, rallying troops and organising donations.

PYRFORD C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

## 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/pyrforfsilentauction2022>

Closing date: Sunday 9th December at 11pm

HAPPY BIDDING!



# FREE GIRLS FOOTBALL



In partnership with TA SPORTS

## WHAT?

Fun football for Girls of all abilities!  
A BRILLIANT INTRODUCTION TO THE BEAUTIFUL GAME with FA qualified coaches.

## WHERE?

3G Pitch  
ABBEY RANGERS FC  
Addlestone  
KT15 2QH

## WHEN?

Saturdays  
3<sup>RD</sup>, 10<sup>TH</sup>, 17<sup>TH</sup>  
December

## AGE?

School  
Year R to Year 3



# Have Fun!

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# TA SPORTS



## GIRLS FOOTBALL COURSE CHRISTMAS HALF TERM 2022



Thursday 22nd December



Venue:- Abbey Rangers Football Club (KT15 2QH)

Times:- 8.30am – 4.00pm

Price:- £25.00

Designed for girls of *all abilities* aged between 5yrs to 13yrs!



Playing in a fun, challenging & safe environment.

Meeting new friends that have an interest in football.

Develop technique, speed, tactics & improve skills & confidence.

Professional FA qualified coaching.

3G Pitch and use of clubhouse.

If you would like further information or would like to book a place for your daughter to attend please kindly contact Tom on 07825 089500 or email [tom@tasportscoaching.co.uk](mailto:tom@tasportscoaching.co.uk)



## 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](http://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



SURREY  
ARTS

# BRASS PARTY

Open to all brass players with an informal concert hosted by Surrey Advanced Brass Ensemble

Sunday 11 December

1.30pm

The Arts Suite, Westfield School, Woking

Sign up





## Clubs - Y3 Spring Term



**ONCE UPON A PICTURE**

EXPLORE, DISCOVER AND DEVELOP

Enjoy a fun, award winning, arts and crafts after school club and get creative with friends.

We will be going on a book adventure and creating wonderful, imaginative creations along the way. Your child will be exploring ...

- Awesome Creative Doodling inspired by Lisa Strictley
- Beautiful British Landscapes inspired by Beatrix Potter
- Our Dreams inspired by Roald Dahl
- Crazy Chameleons inspired by Eric Carl
- Slippery Slime inspired by David Walliams

...to name a few of our awesome art creative activities!

## HELLO

The Creation Station is back after the Christmas holidays at **Pyrford Church of England Primary school** for the **Spring Term of 2023!**

These weekly after school classes will run every Tuesday from the **10<sup>th</sup> of January**.

We run a new theme each term which allows the children to develop their natural curiosity and creativity through doing. The Creation Station 'Once upon a Picture' session plans have been developed to support children at different ages and stages.

Kindly **book online** to secure the place using the steps below.

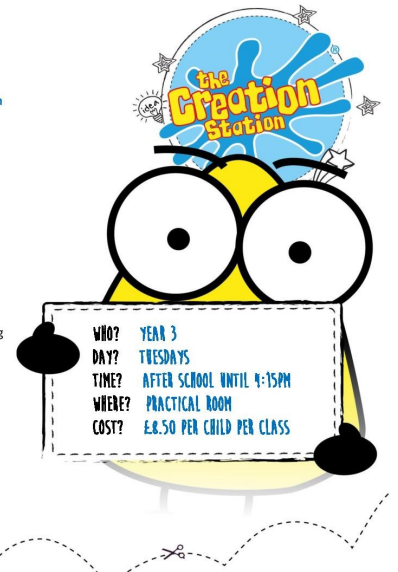
I'm looking forward to seeing you again in the new year!

CONTACT ME:

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[vivdutoit@thecreationstation.co.uk](mailto:vivdutoit@thecreationstation.co.uk)

07500 344346



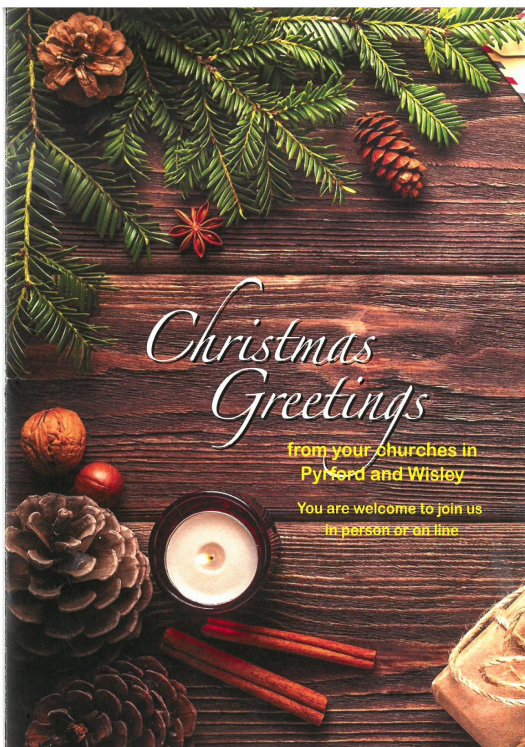
### TO BOOK YOUR PLACE:

- Go to <https://portal.thecreationstation.franscape.io/class-overview/3632>
- Search for Create Club and ensure that you choose **your school** as I run after school clubs at other schools 😊
- Select the dates to book.

Any questions, please do not hesitate in contacting me.

Find out more about: ☐ Holiday Clubs ☐ Birthday Parties ☐ Pre-school Classes ☐ Adult Craft Evenings ☐

## Church News



### Sunday 18th December:

8.00am St. Nicholas'  
10.00am The Good Shepherd  
10.00am Wisley Church

11.30am St. Nicholas'

6.30pm The Good Shepherd

A said Service of Holy Communion using traditional language  
Morning Service (live & online) with a blend of music and hymns  
A friendly Carol Service where traditional Christmas carols are sung in our beautiful 12th century church  
A traditional Carol Service in our lovely old church, followed by sherry and mince pies  
A special Christmas Carol Service (live & online). Come and sing carols and enjoy some choral pieces along with Christmas readings, followed by tea/coffee and mince pies

### CHRISTMAS EVE: Saturday 24th December:

4.00pm The Good Shepherd  
11.30pm The Good Shepherd  
11.30pm St. Nicholas'

The Crib Service: a great family event telling the Christmas story (lasting about 30 minutes) with Bible readings and lovely carols, especially for younger children who are invited to bring a toy animal to place round the crib for the duration of the service  
A Midnight Service of Holy Communion for Christmas, using modern language and including carols  
A Prayer Book Midnight Service of Holy Communion with carols - a traditional service in our beautiful 12th century church

### CHRISTMAS DAY: Sunday 25th December:

10.00am The Good Shepherd  
10am Wisley Church  
11.30am St. Nicholas'

A Christmas Family Service (live & online). The children are invited to bring along one of their presents  
A Christmas Service of Holy Communion with carols, using modern language in our lovely ancient church  
A Christmas Service of Holy Communion using traditional language in our beautiful 12th century church