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Pyrford C of E Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Social Media Highlights

In Squirrels, we have been exploring colour mixing. We used the primary colours red, yellow and blue to make the secondary colours orange, green and purple. The children had great fun when we painted our hands with two primary colours and then rubbed them together to make a new colour.



As an introduction to our new book, Kensuke's Kingdom, in Year 6, looking through some clues, we tried to find out more about the main character. We thought about where in the world we would like to travel to if we could! It was great to pore over travel brochures and pick our favourite destinations - and no money had to be spent.

Year 4 really enjoyed making their own musical instruments. They were learning about how sound is made and how our ears hear sound. The children then designed their own musical instruments thinking about how they would make it vibrate.



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Head's Letter

Good morning.

Welcome back to a new half term.

I can't believe that we are already half way through the school year. It has been a busy week here. On Monday and Tuesday there were pancakes everywhere! Some children enjoyed them at Breakfast Club on Tuesday and many were made in different classes. In assembly on Monday, the children enjoyed learning about Shrove Tuesday and the reason why we eat pancakes. At the end of assembly we had a pancake race, with a minimal level of success and lots of laughter.

We are finishing the week with our Year 5 & 6 Movie Night. Please don't forget to sign up for the ones that follow.

Next Friday we are celebrating World Book Day where the children are invited to dress up either as a favourite book character or wear their pyjamas. They also need to bring in a toilet roll as the children will be making characters with them at school.

Thank you to those of you who have responded to the parent survey. Your responses have highlighted what is positive about the school and we heard the same words over and over again - "nurture, committed, community, friendly, safe" to name just a few. We are incredibly proud of our school and to hear this reinforced by parents is very heartening.

In the next few weeks we will let you know what we are doing to address some of the points that were raised about how to make the school even better.

Have a good weekend.

Rachel Clement Head of School









Matthew Lewis



GOLDEN BOOK congratulations to our golden book winners this week

N SQUIRRELS Erica Parron. Erica really enjoys looking at books at nursery. She turns the pages one by one and then replaces the book back on the shelf once she has finished. She is also doing really well with her counting. Well done Erica!	3 JUNIPER Florence Brockway. Before half term we created our own reptiles and wrote non-chronological reports describing their diet, habitat and appearance. Florence produced a fascinating report about the "Paradact Dragon" using a range of excellent adjectives and expert language. Great job Florence!
R HAZEL Maggie Smith for using the Number Blobs to show how good her counting and organising skills are. She explained that by adding an extra 1 to each line, it got bigger and bigger. Well done Maggie!	YEAR 4 All of Year 4 for being so polite and respectful when we went to Weybridge Synagogue. We were also so impressed with how well you recalled your learning about Judaism and synagogues. Well done and thank you!
1 OAK James Hall for his careful birds eye plan of our school. James worked so hard on his map and even included a key.	
1 PINE Sybil Evans and Alice Ashenden Myall. As part of our new DT topic, we have been thinking about our favourite fruit. We did a survey of the class and turned the results into pictograms. Alice and Sybil made excellent graphs and drew the fruit carefully. Well done!	5 ROWAN Ollie Burnett for his super work in English. He has written a fantastic description of the cathedral in our new book <i>Floodland</i> . His use of language was particularly impressive. He has remembered some of the vocabulary and narrative devices we have used in our previous lessons last half term. Well done Ollie!
2 CEDAR George Watson for trying incredibly hard with his spellings this term, both at home and at school. In the past few weeks he has moved up a spelling list and is already able to spell a huge number of these words. Well done George!	5 WILLOW Eloise Lawes for her excellent setting description of the Cathedral ruins that the character Zoe has found on an isolated island in our new Power of Reading text <i>Floodland</i> . Eloise has thought carefully about what the character might see and has created tension and atmosphere brilliantly in her writing through the use of adjectives and subordinating clauses. A great piece of writing - well done Eloise!
2 HAWTHORN Sophie Cooper. In English, we have been reading <i>The Jolly</i> <i>Postman.</i> Sophie planned and wrote her own letter to persuade the Jolly Postman to visit her house. She thought of some fantastic ideas and used time connectives to set her letter out correctly. Well done Sophie!	6 HOLLY Amelie Davies. Our Art project has been to study eyes in art and produce a 3D dragon eye in clay. Amelie's work was particularly impressive as she has used shading very effectively in her human and dragon eye sketches, and the technique she chose to make texture for the scales was very intricate - her choice and use of colour highlighted this so well. Fabulous work Amelie - well done!
3 ELM Ben Grimshaw for working incredibly hard over the last half term to improve his writing. He really enjoyed creating his own reptile and writing a non chronological report all about it. Well done Ben, keep up the great work!	6 LAUREL Leo Anderson. In Art we have been studying the eye and produced sketches of human and dragon eyes. We then made a 3D version of the dragon eye in clay. Leo worked very hard to use shading effectively in both his human and dragon eye sketches, as well as using different shades of brown for the dragon scales. Well done Leo!
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Leo Anderson

Amelie Davies

Diary Dates

Fri 24 Feb 15:30-17:45 Y5 & 6 Film Night

Tue 28 Feb 15:30-17:30 Parents Evening Meetings

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

Wed 1 Mar 13:15-15:00 KS1 Choral Festival

Thu 2 Mar 15:30-19:30 Parents Evening Meetings

Fri 3 Mar World Book Day Celebrations

Tue 7 Mar 16:30 Y5/6 Cross Country @ Hoebridge

Fri 10 Mar 15:30-17:45 YR 3 & 4 Film Night

Tue 14 Mar Y5/6 Netball County Cup Match at St Dunstan's

Wed 15 Mar Y2 Trip to Brooklands

Thu 16 Mar 15:15-16:15 Re-loved Children's Clothes Sale @ CoGS

Fri 17 Mar 15:30-17:30 YR, 1 & 2 Film Night

Tue 21 Mar Reception Measurement Programme

Tue 21Mar 15:45-16:30 Y5/6 Netball Friendly Match @ Pyrford

Tue 21 Mar 16:30 Year 3/4 Cross Country @ Hoebridge

Wed 22 Mar Y5 Vikings Workshop

Wed 22 Mar Y3/4 Performance at CoGS

Fri 24 Mar Reception Superhero Day

Fri 24 Mar 19:00 PTA Quiz Night

Mon 27 Mar 16:30 Cross Country Relay @ Hoebridge

Wed 29 Mar YN/R Little City Visit School

Wed 29 Mar Y4 Parents' Hindleap Meeting

Fri 31 Mar Term Ends

Mon 17 Apr Term Starts

Wed 19 - Fri 21 Apr Y4 Residential to Hindleap Warren

Fri 21 Apr 15:15-15:45 Yrs R, 1 & 2 Friendly Friday

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

Fri 28 Apr 15:15-15:45 Yrs 3 & 4 Friendly Friday



Y5 Bathbombs





Over the past two weeks, Year 5 have been creating bath bombs to test the rate at which these would react. Yesterday, they were able to put their hypothesis to the test and used hot and cold water to identify whether the bath bombs would disappear faster depending on the temperature of the water. A huge thank you to Dr. Metcalf, who led us through this entire experiment. We all such a brilliant time and the children all learned lots about chemistry!



Diary Dates (contd)

Mon 1 May BANK HOLIDAY

Wed 3 May Yr R to Godstone Farm

Fri 5 May 15:15-15:45 Yrs 5 & 6 Friendly Friday

Mon 8 May BANK HOLIDAY

w/c 8 May SATS Week

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

Mon 12 Jun Y5 Away Day @ Fullbrook School Tue 13 Jun Leavers' Service at Guildford Cathedral Tue 13 Jun YN/YR Minibeast Workshop Thu 15 Jun Y2 to The Lookout Discovery Centre Fri 16 Jun 15:15-15:45 Yrs R, 1 & 2 Friendly Friday Wed 21 Jun Y4 Chinese Dragon Workshop Wed 21 Jun Y6 Lego Robotics Workshop Thu 22 Jun Y1 to Merrist Wood Fri 23 Jun 15:15-15:45 Yrs 3 & 4 Friendly Friday Sat 24 Jun 18:00 Annual Brass Concert @ CoGS 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 Fri 30 Jun 15:15-15:45 Yrs 5 & 6 Friendly Friday

Mon 10 - Fri 14 Jul Y6 Residential to Osmington Bay

Fri 21 Jul Term Ends



Ink Cartridge Collection You can help us raise funds by recycling your ink cartridges.

Please bring to the school office. We cannot take toner and laser cartridges.

Y4 at the Synagogue





(RE)LOVE OUR STUFF

The Eco-Team are delivering a special one-off event at the Church of the Good Shepherd - a pop-up, second hand children's clothes shop on Thursday 16th March. Every item will be just 50p.

Money raised will be split between an item chosen by the Eco-Committee and the PTA





MOVIE NIGHTS

- Pupils will <u>not</u> be admitted unless payment and consent have been completed on Scopay.
- Tickets, once purchased, are nonrefundable
- Cut off dates for booking are:
- \Rightarrow Year 3/4: 23:59 on 9th March
- \Rightarrow Year R/1/2: 23:59 on 16th March

FRIENDS OF PYRFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL



7PM - 9.30PM SCHOOL HALL

TEAMS OF MAXIMUM 8 PEOPLE NO TEAM? E-MAIL US AND WE WILL FIND YOU ONE!

£15 PER PERSON TO INCLUDE FISH & CHIPS Payment via Paypal to: pyrfordptaevents@gmail.com

> Drinks and snacks available to purchase Please bring your own drinking glasses Cash or card accepted on the night

BOOKING FORMS MUST BE RETURNED BY 10TH MARCH

FRIENDS OF PYRFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL BOOKING FORM 24TH MARCH 2023 7PM - 9.30PM

Team name	
Team leader	
Team leader's email	
Team members:	\mathbf{v}
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Please make payment of £15 per person via PayPal to pyrfordptaevents@gmail.com using your team name as reference. Select the 'Friends and Family' option so no additional charges are applied. Please make your payment before you post your form in the FPPS postbox located in the school reception.

Entry includes fish and chips or a vegetarian alternative (indicate above if this is required and let us know in advance if any team member has a food allergy).

Drinks and snacks will be available to purchase on the night using cash or card. Please bring your own drinking glasses.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!



WOKING SWIMMING CLUB

Affiliated to: ASA, ASASER, SURREY COUNTY ASA



NEW MEMBERS TRIALS

For children born between August 2013 and July 2017 who are interested in competitive swimming

to be held on

Tuesday 14th March 2023

at

Woking Pool in the Park

2017 born are expected to be able to swim basic front crawl and backstroke. 2013 born must be able to swim good front crawl, backstroke and breaststroke. To request a time slot please scan the code below on your smartphone to sign up Or contact Jane by emailing: <u>wokingsc.newmembers@gmail.com</u>





Please note, the first 30 mins of this event will be quiet time for those with additional accessibility needs. For more information, please email amplify.mindworks@sabp.nhs.uk.





Supporting Your Child's Self Esteem and Confidence (primary)

Webinar Supporting your child's self esteem and confidence

Thursday 2nd March, 19:00 - 20:00

Free tickets available: <u>https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/supporting-your-childs-self-esteem-and-confidence-primary-tickets-513001450147</u>

Eikon is an award-winning charity that has been working in local Surrey communities for over two decades. We provide long-term support to some of the county's most vulnerable young people. Our vision is to develop happy, thriving, and resilient young adults who make a positive contribution to society. **Topics Covered:**

Strategies for supporting resilience Learning to fail Creating opportunities for expression Pillars of self esteem Who is on my team Supporting parents wellbeing



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

(date)

I would be available to help on Friday _____

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Friday 20th January 6:30pm-7:45pm @ the church of the good shepherd

FEBRUARY

Friday 3rd February 6:30pm-7:45pm @ the church of the good shepherd

MARCH

Friday 3rd March 6:30pm-7:45pm @ the church of the good shepherd

Friday 17th March	6:30pm-7:45pm
TRIP OUT ICE-SKATING ~	GUILDFORD SPECTRUM

Friday 31st March 6:30pm-7:45pm @ the church of the good shepherd



If you would like to volunteer, do get in touch