# Pyrford C of E Primary School Weekly Newsletter

# Social Media Highlights



We are still in complete awe of the effort taken by all of our children to join in with World Book Day on Friday!



In RE, Year 2 have been creating their own crosses for their Easter gardens. They have decorated them beautifully and are so proud of their work. We think they have done a fantastic job!



Marvellous Maths has been happening in Year 2! The children have been using concrete resources to begin their Maths unit on fractions. Today, the children were recognising equal and unequal groups. We were incredibly impressed by the mathematical language that the children used .





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### **Head's Letter**

Good morning.



How exciting it was for us all to wake up and see a blanket of snow on the ground. I have seen some lovely pictures of snowmen that were made before school at the crack of dawn. The children all got a chance in the morning to go on the field and make the most of the snow. It's wonderful seeing them enjoy these unexpected moments and so important for them.

Year 3 were fortunate to have Dr Metcalfe from BDB come and lead some exciting workshops all about soil. The children absolutely loved the experiments and finding out lots of new and interesting facts.

Today you will be receiving your year group newsletters. It is always lovely to see the wonderful range of learning experiences that the children will be partaking in. Please keep an eye out for any important dates and events.

Hopefully the weather clears up this weekend and you can all have a lovely weekend.

Rachel Clement Head of School















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

### **N SQUIRRELS**

Arabella Ball. Arabella is always busy at nursery. She plays well with her friends, makes up exciting games outside and draws lovely pictures. Arabella is kind and helpful too!

### R BEECH

Umar Hussain for settling in so well in Beech Class. We are so happy he is part of our school and class.

### R HAZEL

Yousef Khan. Yousef loves going outside and he loves to be busy. He makes the most amazing cinnamon tea and hot chocolate in the mud kitchen. Well done Yousef for using your wonderful imagination to have so much fun!

### 1 OAK

Polly Wilkins for working so hard on her writing. She wrote the beginning of her own version of Red Riding Hood and used fantastic story language and super adjectives. Well done Polly!

### 1 PINE

produced some beautiful pieces. Well done Austin!

### 2 CEDAR

subtraction using the column method. Grace did a fantastic job, making sure to take her time and focus on her presentation. Well done Grace!

### 2 HAWTHORN

Zaynah Zaib. In RE, we made a cross for our Easter Gardens. Zaynah worked really hard to create a beautiful pattern on the front of her cross. Well done Zaynah!

### 3 ELM

Abubakr-Ali Hussain. Abubakr-Ali has really been enjoying our Aria Parsonage and Amber Vickery for their outstanding World Book power of reading units and working hard on his reading and writing. He enjoyed Krindlekrax so much he made an amazing toilet roll character. Be careful - don't feed it toast!

### 3 JUNIPER

Amelie Wood for working brilliantly in Maths throughout Year 3. This week we have been working with fractions. Amelie has completed her fluency tasks accurately and has also tackled tricky problems, clearly explaining her reasoning. Great work Amelie!

### 3 MAPLE

Ben Watkins for being a brilliant mathematician! He always works hard and is happy to explain his thinking to the rest of the class. This week we have been working with fractions. Ben has completed lots of tasks quickly and accurately and is doing well to explain his reasoning when tackling the challenges.

### 4 ALDER

Holly Hope for always working incredibly hard in school. In all of our English lessons she shows brilliant, creative ideas and makes her writing so enjoyable to read. Excellent Holly!

### 4 LARCH

Henry Sutherland for his fantastic work on fractions. In particular, he has shown an excellent understanding of mixed numbers and improper fractions. Keep up the good work!

### **5 ROWAN**

Austin Gallagher for his super writing. He has worked so hard and Trystan Agnew. In History we have been learning about the Vikings. Trystan wrote a fantastic diary entry as a monk from Lindisfarne. He explained all about the brutal attack by the Vikings on his monastery. Well done Trystan, keep up the super work!

### 5 WILLOW

Grace Webb. Last week, Year 2 practised their addition and Zakariya Akhtar for the excellent start the he made in his diary entry as Munchkin, who has recently escaped an island. Zakariya has understood our text very well and has carefully thought about how a character may feel in this particular situation. He has put in lots of effort and used great vocabulary - well done Zakariya!

Jake Stimson for his skills in PE, especially how he demonstrated and coached his classmates during the lesson. Sharing his skills and knowledge was clearly something Jake enjoyed doing and he was so kind and patient. Jake is a great role model - keep up the good work.

### 6 LAUREL

Day toilet roll characters. Aria chose the characters Ren, Torak. Demon Bear and Wolf from her favourite book Wolf Brother. Aria also came dressed as Ren on World Book Day. The girls worked hard to make the four characters. Well done Aria and Amber!



Abubakr-Ali Hussain



Aria Parsonage and Amber Vickery



Arabella



Zaynah Zaib

### CONGRATULATIONS XANTHE THE ARTIST

Earlier this year Xanthe Wilkins in Maple Class, entered a competition to be featured as an artist for a gallery called Aunt Joy and her piece was selected!



Her piece was worked on with a collaborating artist and was released on Wednesday, International Women's Day and available to buy, with 50% of the sales going to charities for women and girls.

The gallery wanted to open the call to girls between 8 and 14 - many studies show that across these years, girls confidence levels drop by 30%. They asked girls what it is that they love about creating art. They had entries from across the world.

Xanthe's piece - The World That Is Coming - is now part of the Girls Like Us collection on the Aunt Joy website <a href="https://auntjoygallery.com/products/the-world-that-is-coming">https://auntjoygallery.com/products/the-world-that-is-coming</a>

As Xanthe says, "I love creating art because you can just draw whatever you want. You can use all your imagination and there's no limits. You're free and nobody can tell you if it's right or wrong .... Being with my friends and family gives me joy. They make me feel strong and brave and my heart feels full of love".

Huge congratulations to you Xanthe - we are very proud of you!



Some of our Year 5 and 6's took part in a cross country competition at Hoebridge against children from 18 other local schools. The course was 2.6km, which was quite a challenge! All our children did us proud and all managed a huge push to the finish line. Our top 2 finishers were Eliana Hutchinson placed 11<sup>th</sup> out of the girls and Sam Darling 28<sup>th</sup> for the

boys from all the schools taking part. All our children came in the first half of finishers. A big well done to them all! Results as to where we were placed against the other schools will come after the next 2 upcoming events for the Year 3 and 4 team and our relay team.







### **Diary Dates**

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 (12:00)

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

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

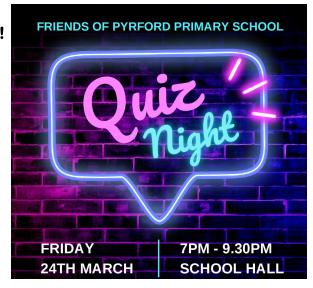
Fri 19 May Y5 to Hampton Court



### **MOVIE NIGHTS**

- Pupils will <u>not</u> be admitted unless payment and consent have been completed on Scopay.
- ♦ Tickets, once purchased, are non-refundable
- ♦ Cut off date for booking Year R, 1 & 2 is 23:59 on 16th March

### **SOLD OUT!**



If you have booked, don't forget to bring your own drinking glasses.

Cash & card will be accepted on the night.

### Diary Dates (contd)

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 7 Jul 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.

### (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

We will be taking both cash and card payments.

Please could donations be made in bags sorted by the following age categories:

0-12 months 1-3 years 4-5 years 6-7 years 8-9 years 10-11 years

There will be collection points for the different age groups at the church.

**THANK YOU** 



We're running a pop-up second hand clothes shop and we need your help!

If you have any clothes that you no longer wear, please donate them for our sale.



DATE/TIME:

Thursday 16th March 2023 8.30am - 9am

OCATION: Church of the Good Shepherd

SALE 3:15 - 4:15

WE WANT:

CHILDRENS CLOTHES UP TO AGE 11:

Skirts

Trousers/Shorts

Dresses T-shirts

Jumpers /Coats

Please wash clothes before donating and please make sure there are no holes, stains, or broken zips!











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 LOVE 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)

JANUA RY

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

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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