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# Pyrford C of E Primary School Weekly Newsletter

  
THE NEWARK TRUST



## World Music Workshops



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## Head's Letter

Dear Parents and Carers,

We've been so fortunate with the weather this week; although it's been frosty in the mornings, it's been lovely to have the sunshine in the afternoons. As I write this, you can see that I am dressed up as the White Rabbit from Alice in Wonderland and might start regretting my choice of thick white jumper under the shirt...! It's been great to see all of the different book characters walking around the school, from the Teletubbies in Year 6 to numerous Harry Potters and a few

Ninja Turtles. Teachers loved the opportunity to read a story to a different class than their own. Look out on social media and in next week's newsletter for more pictures.

The World Music Workshops this week were a loud and rhythmic success and the children were able to participate in such a collaborative way to create pieces of music in time with one another and on a grand scale. Tuesday also saw Year 5 head off to Fullbrook School to watch 'Everyone's Talking About Jamie'. Children reported that they loved seeing past pupils of Pyrford, including some siblings of

current children, on stage. They were also able to have a Q&A session with the cast after the show which they found very special.

I hope that you were able to attend Parents' Evening meeting this week and were excited to see the first and more recent pages of your child's learning to understand the progress they have made since September.

This afternoon we're inviting mothers, aunts, grandmothers and significant others in for a 'MAGS' picnic and celebration. I hope that you enjoy the children's songs and offerings - I know they had a lot of fun preparing for it! I appreciate that it would be lovely to do this across the school, however, all year groups get their own special events throughout the year, from scientist visitors to printing artist workshops to help keep the curriculum alive.

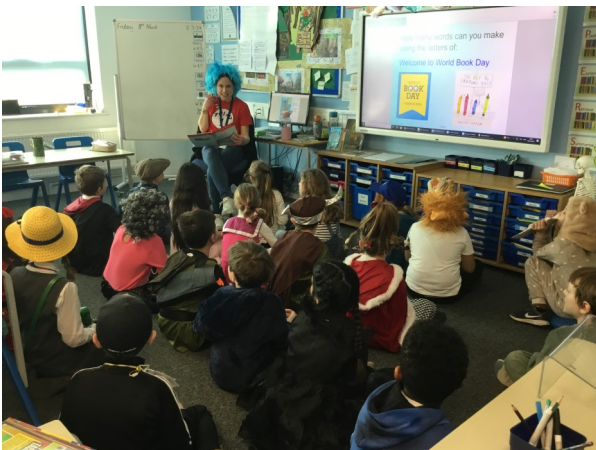
I hope you all have an amazing weekend!

Kind regards

Pete

Pete Wright

Head of School



fpps present... SQUIRRELS & REC

# Spring Colour Raffle & Mufti Day

YEAR 1  
YEAR 2  
YEAR 3  
YEAR 4  
YEAR 5  
YEAR 6

Each year group has been allocated with a colour/s on this poster (look right)

In exchange for mufti dress in your allocated colour on the day, please bring in a donation of the same colour for our 7 hampers (no alcohol/nuts please)

Raffle tickets - £1 each - purchased via Raffall link:- <https://raffall.com/355619/enter-raffle-to-win-fabulous-colour-hampers-hosted-by-pyrford-primary-school-christmas-raffle> or using QR Code

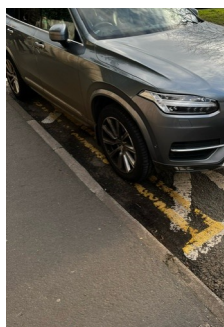
Raffall sign-up answer is "red" OR

Draw to take place at 23.55 on 22 March  
Winners announced and prizes for collection on Mon 25 & Tues 26 March OR



Please may we ask for your co-operation in keeping all our children safe on their way to and from school?

Stopping on white chevrons (see below) is illegal and causes problems with sight lines and congestion in and out of the church car park.



When walking in from Coldharbour Road, please use the path around the edge of the car park. Tempting though it is to cut across the car park, there are always vehicles coming and going and small children are hard to spot if they are moving amongst the parked cars.

## Age Restrictions on Social Media

# 13

Facebook  
Twitter  
Instagram  
Snapchat  
TikTok  
Kik  
Ask.fm  
Houseparty  
Periscope

Tumblr  
Pinterest  
Reddit



# 13+

YouTube  
WeChat  
Whisper  
Yubo



(13+ means with parental consent)

# 16

LinkedIn  
Whatsapp



# 18

Tinder  
Bumble  
Hinge



Do you know how old children should be to use social media? Action for Children produced this handy guide which shows that they are not appropriate for primary school children. Please remember that even if your children are old enough to use these platforms, they still need to be guided and supervised. Further information can be found at <https://parents.actionforchildren.org.uk/home-family-life/technology/safe-online/>

## Cupcake Decorating Course

with Tookesbridge Bakes

Friday 17 May, 6.30pm  
School Hall

£35 - 1 adult  
£45 - 1 adult & 1 child



### Price includes:

- A lesson in how to fill and decorate 12 vanilla cupcakes to take home with you
- Your own piping nozzles to take home and re-use
- A printed recipe for delicious vanilla cupcakes and buttercream

**Limited places available**

### Bookings:

- Book your place by emailing: [pyrfordptaevents@gmail.com](mailto:pyrfordptaevents@gmail.com)
- Please arrange a transfer to this account:  
Account name: FPPS  
Sort Code: 40-46-48  
Account number: 51432591  
Ref: CUPCAKES[insert your name]



**BAG 2 SCHOOL**

Raising funds for our school through textile recycling

Please sort out and bag up any unwanted clothes / shoes / household linen etc.  
(see below for acceptable items)



**Accepted**

**Not Accepted** X



Clothes



Paired shoes



Socks



Belts



Batteries



Duvets and blankets



Handbags



Hats



Household curtains



Household linen



Pillows and cushions



Bags



Scarves and ties



Household bedding



Household towels



Carpets, rugs and mats



Bras



Jewellery



Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing

Then please bring your bags to the  
Practical Room on the morning of **Fri 15 March**

Thanks in advance for your donations!



# Golden Book Awards

## N SQUIRRELS

**Sophie Clough.** Our story this week is *The Gruffalo*. Sophie independently used the resources to make a paper bag Gruffalo. She used purple gummed paper to be the prickles on the Gruffalo's back. Well don Sophie!

## R HAZEL

**Max Lamb.** We have been writing about 'People Who Help Us'. Max did an amazing job with only a little bit of help. Well done Max!

## 1 PINE

**Aayat Atiq** for working incredibly hard in reading and phonics. Well done and keep up the great work!

## 2 HAWTHORN

**Fionnuala Schifano.** In Science, we have been learning about materials and their properties. Nula impressed me with her ability to work well as a team, making a structure to produce an egg. Her group succeeded and the egg remained safe. Well done Nula!

## 3 MAPLE

**Otis Tucker.** In Science we have been finding out about different types of rocks and investigating their properties. Otis enjoyed our practical work testing which rock was the most hard wearing. He wrote a good conclusion to explain what he had found out.

## 4 BIRCH

**Haider-Ali Awan & Ethan Gray** for their excellent poems based upon Jemmy Button's sea journey. They worked incredibly hard to use their senses to describe what Jemmy would have seen on his Caribbean island and all around him while travelling to England. They showed great creativity and completed the work independently. Well done Haider-Ali and Ethan - you have written brilliant poems and presented them beautifully!

## 5 ROWAN

**Bibi Knott** for how hard she has been working in Maths. We are learning about decimals, percentages and fractions. It has been a pleasure to see how Bibi's confidence has grown. Well done Bibi, keep up the great work!

## 6 HOLLY

**Saish Khadka.** In DT we had the exciting task of identifying different spices, using a description as well as using aroma and what the spices looked like. Saish was excellent at supporting his group to correctly name the spices and shared his knowledge of how the spices are used to enhance food. Well done Saish!

## R BEECH

**Evie Maskell** for doing so well with her writing at school. Last week she wrote the whole story of the Gingerbread Man at home, using excellent language. She even illustrated her work beautifully. She was so proud she had to take it home to keep.

## 1 OAK

**Wilbur Foote** for wonderful letter writing persuading people to not drop litter in the woods!

## 2 CEDAR

**Amelie Carapiet** for fantastic attitude to learning in her reading and writing. Amelie is becoming more confident each day and is excited to show off her reading and writing. Well done Amelie, keep up the fantastic work!

## 3 ELM

**Samuel Hughes.** In Computing this week we coded pencil sprites to move in four directions and to draw a line as they move. Not only did Samuel correctly code his sprite, he added an imaginative background and repositioned his pencil to make his project look professional. Great work Samuel!

## 4 ALDER

**Hattie Broadley** for writing a fantastic poem based on our book *Jemmy Button*. Hattie was extremely creative with wonderful noun phrases. She is working really hard and we are very proud of the effort she is making.

## 4 LARCH

**Matthew Derrick** for his fantastic Big Write! He managed to write a lot in the time and successfully used fronted adverbials to start his sentences. He really challenged himself with the punctuation he used and included descriptive language.

## 5 WILLOW

**Riya Kaur** for her outstanding work in Art. Year 5 have been learning how to write their names using different perspectives. Riya created a fantastic 3-D writing effect using the skills she learnt in the lesson and chose a vibrant colour to make it 'pop' off the page even more. Well done Riya.

## 6 LAUREL

**Martha Stringfellow** for her work in Science. The children are learning about the human body and what it means to have a healthy lifestyle, focussing this week on the effects of alcohol and drugs on the human body. Martha's work was very clear, detailed and well-represented. Well done Martha, keep up the great work!

SPRING TERM DATES		
Fri 8 Mar	14:20	EYFS & KS1 MAGs Picnic
Fri 8 Mar	15:15-15:45	Y5 & Y6 Friendly Friday
Thu 14 Mar		Y2 to Brooklands Museum
<b>Fri 15 Mar</b>		<b>Reception Superhero Day</b>
Fri 15 Mar	09:00	Bag2School Collection
Mon 18 Mar	08:45-09:30	EYFS/KS1 Termly Awards
Tue 19 Mar	<b>16:00-17:00</b>	Y3/4 Cross Country @ Hoebridge (selected pupils)
<b>Tue 19 Mar</b>	<b>16:00</b>	<b>Y5/6 Netball Team to QE School, Guildford</b>
Wed 20 Mar	08:45-09:30	KS2 Termly Awards
Wed 20 Mar		Little City visit EYFS
Thu 21 Mar		Y5 Viking Workshop
<b>Fri 22 Mar</b>		<b>Spring Colour Raffle &amp; Mufti Day</b>
Fri 22 Mar	19:30-22:00	PTA Quiz Night
Mon 25 Mar	09:00	Easter Service @ CoGS
<b>Mon 25 Mar</b>		<b>Easter Pause Day</b>
Tue 26 Mar	15:10 / 15:15	Last Day of Spring Term
Wed 27 Mar		<b>INSET DAY</b>
Thu 28 Mar		<b>INSET DAY</b>
Fri 29 Mar - Fri 12 Apr		<b>EASTER HOLIDAY</b>

SUMMER TERM DATES		
Mon 15 Apr		First Day of Summer Term
<b>Thu 18 Apr</b>		<b>Y5 Football Match @ The Marist</b>
Wed 17 - Fri 19 Apr		Y4 Hindleap Warren Residential
<b>Fri 26 Apr</b>		<b>Eco Mufti Day</b>
Fri 26 Apr	15:15-15:45	YR, Y1 & Y2 Friendly Friday
Wed 1 May	am	Y3 Feet First Walking Training
<b>Wed 1 May</b>		<b>Y6 Football Match @ The Marist</b>
Thu 2 May		Y5 to Mosque
Thu 2 May	am	Y3 Feet First Walking Training
Fri 3 May		Y5 to Hampton Court
Fri 3 May	15:15-15:45	Y3 & Y4 Friendly Friday
<b>Mon 6 May</b>		<b>BANK HOLIDAY</b>
Wed 8 May		Y4 Rainforest Workshop
Fri 10 May		YR to Godstone Farm
Fri 10 May	15:15-15:45	Y5 & Y6 Friendly Friday
Mon 13 - Thu 16 May		KS2 SATS

Recycle  Charity

## 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.

## FAMILY LEARNING

### Free Courses for parents and carers

Surrey Family Learning offer **FREE** courses and workshops to help you create a better family life.

Do you want to help your child or teenager to improve their behaviour, development and learning?

Book onto one of our tailored courses today to begin supporting you and your family. Find more information at:

[surreycc.gov.uk/familylearning](http://surreycc.gov.uk/familylearning)



...or scan here

#### Courses available

- Parenting** Help understand your children and teenagers' behaviour, anxiety and mental health.
- Maths** Learn about methods used in schools today.
- Literacy** Learn about how English is taught in schools today.
- English as an Additional Language** Support for you and your child with English and how education in England works.
- Cookery** Be inspired and cook healthy family dishes together.



## PLAY & LEARN PLUS FOR PARENTS & CARERS\*



**Free sensory play and learning sessions for children (0-5 years) with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), pre and post diagnosis. Siblings welcome.**

Sessions are all year round and will provide:

- Interactive and specialist play opportunities
- Access to professional advice from Woking Family Centres, Homestart and partners
- Signposting to further Woking Family Centres Services
- Safe space to meet other parents and carers of SEND children.

\* Priority will be given to families living in Woking borough.



For more information, visit [www.woking.gov.uk/familysupport](http://www.woking.gov.uk/familysupport)  
Register your interest with us on email [familycentres@woking.gov.uk](mailto:familycentres@woking.gov.uk) or call 01483 743 812

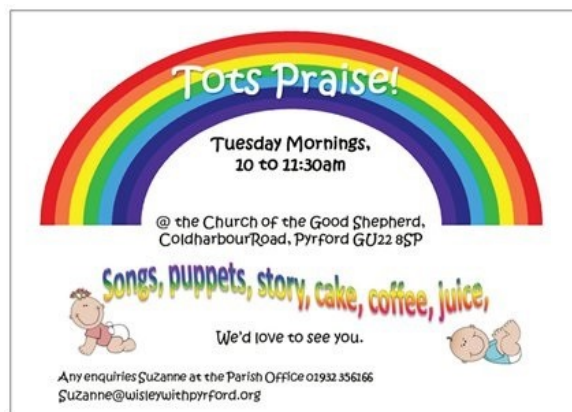


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SUMMER TERM DATES contd		
Fri 17 May	18:30	PTA Cupcake Decorating Course
Wed 22 May	2 pm	Y3&4 Production @ CoGS
Mon 27 - Fri 31 May		<b>HALF TERM HOLIDAY</b>
Wed 12 Jun		District Sports
Fri 14 Jun		Y5 to Wildwood
Fri 14 Jun	15:15-15:45	YR, Y1 & Y2 Friendly Friday
Tue 18 June		Y6 Leavers' Service @ Cathedral
Wed 19 Jun		EYFS Minibeast Workshop
Wed 19 Jun		Y6 Lego STEM Workshop
Thu 20 Jun		District Sports
Fri 21 Jun		Y4 Chinese Dragon Workshop
Fri 21 Jun	15:15-15:45	Y3 & Y4 Friendly Friday
Sat 22 Jun	Evening	Brass Concert @ CoGS
Wed 26 Jun		Y2 to Lookout Discovery Centre
Thu 27 Jun		SEND Fullbrook Transition Day
Fri 28 Jun		Y3 Activity Day
Fri 28 Jun	15:15-15:45	Y5 & Y6 Friendly Friday
Mon 1 Jul	08:45-09:30	EYFS/KS1 Termly Awards
Mon 1 Jul		Fullbrook Transition Day
Tue 2 Jul (prov)	09:00-12:00	KS2 Sports Day
Wed 3 Jul	08:45-09:30	KS2 Termly Awards
Thu 4 Jul (prov)	09:00-12:00	EYFS / KS1 Sports Day
Mon 8 - Fri 12 Jul		Y6 Osmington Bay Residential
Mon 8 Jul	Morning	Y5 Fullbrook Away Day
Mon 22 Jul	09:00	Leavers' Service @ CoGS
Tue 23 Jul	12:00	Last Day of Summer Term



## School Nurse Parent Drop In Clinic

Eastwood Leisure Centre Albert Drive,  
Sheerwater, GU21 5RF – free parking

**1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month**  
**0930-1130**

**2024 dates: 3 Jan, 7 Feb, 6 Mar, 3 Apr, 1 May, 5 Jun,  
3 Jul, 7 Aug, 4 Sep, 2 Oct, 6 Nov, 4 Dec**

**Come and meet the team**

Soft play area and Coffee Shop

We can provide advice and signposting on topics such as:

**Toileting**  
Sleep  
**Dental care**  
Healthy eating  
**Height/weight checks**  
Behaviour  
**Mental health**  
Eating disorders and more  
**School health care plans**  
As well as referral support to other services.



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# Friends of Pyrford Primary School's



## Spring Quiz Night



### BOOKING FORM

Please post completed form in the 'FPPS' box in Reception by 15 March

Team Name:

Team Leader Name:

Team Members (max 8):

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£10 per team member

£15 per pizza (preorder only - see Menu)

Please arrange a transfer to the FPPS Account  
(details below) with your Team Name as a reference:

Account name: FPPS Sort Code: 40-46-48

Account number: 51432591





# Spring Quiz Night



## Pizza Menu & Order Form - £15 each

*Our 12-inch pizzas are hand-made on a thin base and baked in a traditional wood fired oven to obtain the smokey flavour and unique texture*

### MARGHERITA

Traditional pizza baked in our wood fired oven with tomato and mozzarella

### REGINA

Cotto ham, roasted mushrooms, olives, tomato & mozzarella

### PICCANTE (American Hot)

Pepperoni, tomato, mozzarella & hot green peppers

### CHORIZO

Tomato, mozzarella, spicy Spanish chorizo sausage & roasted red peppers

### VEGETARIAN (V)

Tomato, mozzarella, wood roasted aubergine, courgettes, mushrooms, roasted red peppers & spring onions

### POLLO

Tomato, mozzarella, grilled chicken breast, roasted red peppers, spring onions & fresh basil

### PARMA

Tomato, mozzarella, Parma ham, rocket & mushrooms

### PESCATORA

Prawns, anchovies, tuna, tomato, mozzarella, rocket & fresh red chillies

### DELLANOSTRA

Goat's cheese, roasted red pepper, caramelised onion, tomato & mozzarella

Team Name:

Pizza choices:

Total (£15 per pizza):

*Payment details on Quiz Team Booking Form*