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Pyrford C of E Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Goldilocks & The Three Bears



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Headteacher's Letter

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been an action-packed week at school, full of exciting events and impressive achievements from our wonderful pupils!

We begin by celebrating our brilliant **Chess Champions**, who went into the local schools tournament ready for battle—and emerged victorious! They returned with a well-deserved trophy as **overall winners**, and we couldn't be prouder. Alongside our chess heroes, our **Year 5 cricket team** put in a fantastic effort at their tournament. After a series of strong victories, they narrowly missed out on the top spot to a very talented team from Horsell Juniors. Well played, Year 5!

A special mention must also go to our determined **Year 4 Cross Country runners**, who showed tremendous resilience on a long and challenging course in warm conditions. Several of our runners finished in the top 10, which is an outstanding achievement. We are so proud of how all our children represented the school with pride and sportsmanship.

Earlier in the week, I had the pleasure of joining parents from Years 3 and 4 for their wonderful performance of **Roald Dahl's Goldilocks and the Three Bears**. The show was a delight from start to finish, full of catchy songs, confident performances, and lots of humour! I particularly enjoyed the clever twist on the ending delivered by the youngest bear. A huge thank you to the church for allowing us to use their fantastic space—it truly felt like a West End production! I'm now very much looking forward to the upcoming Year 5 & 6 show with great anticipation.

Today, we celebrated our love of numbers with a **Maths Day**, where children (and staff!) came dressed in all things numerical and took part in a variety of fun, maths-themed activities. It was wonderful to see pupils collaborating across year groups and enjoying their learning together.

As we head into half term, I'd like to wish all of our families a restful and happy break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back for the final half term of the year—how quickly it's flown by!

Finally, a **special thank you** to one of our generous school families who have kindly donated **new footballs** for the children to enjoy at playtime. It's a thoughtful and much-appreciated gesture that will bring a lot of joy to the playground. While they've chosen to remain anonymous, we want them to know just how grateful we are!

Have a lovely weekend,

Gavin Dutton
Headteacher

CLASS PHOTOS

We aim to take as many class photos on Monday 2nd June (the first day back after the half term break). All children should come to school in full smart uniform - summer dresses can be worn but all children in EYFS/KS1 should have a jumper or cardigan with them and all KS2 should have a blazer.

NB: Year 4 & Year 5 (except Rowan) - should wear uniform to school and bring their PE Kit to change in to later.

NB: Rowan Class will NOT be photographed on Monday 2nd and can wear their PE kit to school as usual.

The additional photography date will be notified as soon as possible.



Golden Book Awards



N SQUIRRELS - Jack Jack really got into the pirate play and played for a long time. He went on an adventure, looking for treasure!

R BEECH - George for drawing some amazing pictures. He enjoyed taking his pen for a walk around the paper to create his picture and talked about the colours he was using. We are so proud of George's artwork!

R HAZEL - Chanae This week we have been exploring the story of The Little Red Hen. She carefully wrote a brilliant sorry letter. Well done Chanae!

1 OAK - Amara for the knowledge she shares in our foundation lessons. Amara has a fantastic understanding of the world and enjoys learning lots of different facts. We have been comparing the human and physical features of the Masai Mara in Kenya to those in Pyrford. Amara was confident finding similarities and differences and wrote independently in her book. Well done Amara - keep up the great work!

1 PINE - Joe Joe has impressed Miss Adams all year with his incredible hard work. He tries his hardest when tackling all tasks, shows resilience and never gives up. Keep it up Joe. We love your attitude to learning!

2 CEDAR - Issy In English we have been reading *The Hedgehog*. In our re-write session, Issy described how the hedgehog would feel crossing the road. She used fantastic descriptions and a range of senses, including what she could hear, smell and see. Mrs Goree and Mrs Shardlow are so proud of her amazing writing Issy - well done!

2 HAWTHORN - Otis for always working incredibly hard. In Maths, we have been measuring the mass of different objects. Otis worked well with his partner to measure accurately in grams. Well done Otis!

3 ELM - Hadi We have been learning about plants. Hadi understood our learning brilliantly and produced some excellent pieces of work about transpiration and the parts of a flower. Wonderful work Hadi!

3 MAPLE - Ben for his excellent achievement in Maths all year. This week he has shown particular confidence in understanding 3D shape and has helped others understand it too.

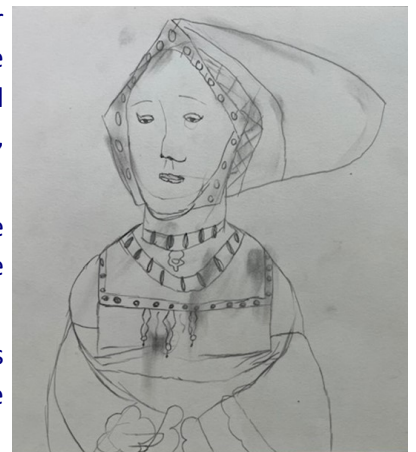
4 ALDER - Ioan for the effort he puts into all his writing. He is very creative and uses excellent noun phrases which help us to see what he is imagining. He also joins beautifully. Thank you Ioan. Your writing is so enjoyable to read!

4 LARCH - James for his impressive work in Maths. James always works incredibly hard and impresses us with his problem solving. He works hard to challenge himself and complete all the tasks.

5 CHERRY - Lizzie for her enthusiasm and wonderful work on our trip to RGS for Tudor Day. She embraced the opportunity to learn more about the school and the Tudor period, emulated a lady of the court perfectly in our music session and finished off the day with a spectacular portrait of Jane Seymour. Great work Lizzie, you should be incredibly proud of yourself!

5 ROWAN - Toby for the effort and enthusiasm that he shows across the curriculum. He always has a positive attitude and is a joy to teach. Keep up the hard work Toby, well done!

5 WILLOW - Jacob for his excellent work in Geography. He was able to record lots of facts about famous landmarks that can be found all over Europe. Well done Jacob!



6 HOLLY - Eloise for her impressive writing. In writing dialogue for her story, she took great care with her presentation and the description of her characters' emotions and thoughts. She successfully added some tension and suspense for the reader and made Mrs Bull want to know more of the story. Well done Eloise!



6 LAUREL - Tom We have been studying still life composition in Art. Tom demonstrated fantastic drawing skills, observing shapes and showing his understanding of the principles of composition. Well done Tom, keep up the great work.

PYRFORD C OF E PRIMARY

Keystage 1 and EYFS Sports Day

When: Monday 23rd June

Years 1 and 2- 8.45am

Nursery and Reception- 10.30am

WHERE: THE SCHOOL FIELD

Please exit the school premises after dropping your child to school and come to the cricket field gate at the side of the school field at the start of your child's event. This will be the only entrance open.

Order of events

Year 1	Year 2
obstacle	jump/throw
sprint	obstacle
jump/throw	sprint
year group relays	
Nursery	Reception
running races	fun field events
fun field events	running races

Remember:
PE kit
sun cream, water bottles and caps



We took our team of Year 4 children to the cross country event at Hoe Bridge school. They all did amazingly well running a significant distance in the heat and achieving great positions! They were a pleasure to take and really supported and cheered each other along. We await the overall results from this and our Year 5/6 event. Particular well done to Immy Hope coming 7th overall in her race and Otis Tucker in 8th! A huge well done to them all.



Yesterday, a team of Year 5 boys went to Old Woking Cricket Club to take part in a Woking Schools cricket tournament. They won their first match comfortably, but their second match came down to the last few balls in a tense final over, with Pyrford taking the win! Unfortunately, they then lost their last match to a very strong team from Horsell. The boys all played well and showed great sportsmanship, congratulating each other and the other teams on some excellent cricket. Well done boys, we are very proud of you!



PYRFORD C OF E PRIMARY

Keystage 2 Sports Day

When: WEDNESDAY 25th JUNE

Years 3 and 4- 8.45am

Years 5 and 6-10.30am

WHERE: THE SCHOOL FIELD

Please exit the school premises after dropping your child to school and come to cricket field gate at the side of the school field. This will be the only entrance open.

Year 3/5	Year 4/6
throw/jump	wacky races
jump/throw	sprint
wacky races	throw/jump
sprint	jump/throw
House team shuttle run Long Distance	

Remember:
PE kit with their house colour t-shirt,
sun cream, water bottles and caps

SUMMER TERM DATES		
Mon 26 - Fri 30 May		HALF TERM HOLIDAY
Mon 2 Jun		Class Photos
Thu 5 Jun	13:30	KS2 Author Visit
Fri 6 Jun		Eco Team Swap Shop
Fri 6 Jun	15:20-15:50	Friendly Friday - EYFS & Ys 1 & 2
Mon 9 Jun		Y5 Fullbrook Away Day
Wed 11 Jun		EYFS Bugfest
Wed 11 Jun	12:00-15:00	Y5/Y6 Quad Kids (District Sports Team) @ Sportsbox
Thu 12 Jun		Y2 to The Lookout Discovery Centre
Thu 12 Jun	12:30-16:30	Y5/Y6 Girls Cricket Team @ Old Woking Cricket Club
Fri 13 Jun	14:30-15:00	EYFS & KS1 Fathers Day Fun
Fri 13 Jun	15:20-15:50	Friendly Friday - Ys 3 & 4
Tue 17 Jun		Y6 Leavers' Service @ Cathedral
Tue 17 Jun	15:30-17:00	Y5/Y6 Netball Team to Netball Rally @ Hoe Bridge
Thu 19 Jun	12:00-15:00	Y3/Y4 Quadkids (District Sports) @ Sportsbox
Thu 19 Jun	after school	Eid Snack Sale
Fri 20 Jun		Y4 Chinese Dragon Workshop
Fri 20 Jun	15:20-15:50	Friendly Friday - Ys 5 & 6
Sat 21 Jun	18:30-21:00	Swim Gala @ Guildford Spectrum
Mon 23 Jun	08:45	EYFS/KS1 Sports Day - Years 1 & 2
Mon 23 Jun	10:30	EYFS Sports Day - Nursery & Reception
Tue 24 Jun		Y6 Lego Stem Workshop
Wed 25 Jun	08:45	KS2 Sports Day - Years 3 & 4
Wed 25 Jun	10:30	KS2 Sports Day - Years 5 & 6
Thu 26 Jun		Cherry & Willow Classes to Wildwood
Fri 27 Jun		Rowan Class to Wildwood
Sat 28 Jun	13:00-15:00	PTA Summer Fair
Sat 28 Jun	18:00	Brass Concert @ CoGS
Mon 30 Jun		INSET DAY
Tue 1 & Wed 2 Jul		Forest School - 1 class per day
Fri 4 Jul		Y3 Outdoor Learning Activity Day
Fri 4 Jul	13:00-15:00	Y4 (selected pupils) Tennis Festival @ Pirbright
Mon 7 - Fri 11 Jul		Y6 Marchants Hill Residential
Thu 10 Jul	16:00-17:30	Y3/4 (selected pupils) Tri-Golf @ St Dunstan's
Thu 17 Jul	09:00	Leavers' Service @ CoGS
Fri 18 Jul	12:00	Last Day of Summer Term

ECO TEAM SWAP SHOP - Friday 6th June

Please bring in a good quality, pre-loved book or toy to swap. Classes will visit the Swap Shop during the day to choose an item each to take home.

If you have additional items to donate we would appreciate them, so that all children will be able to choose something. Any extra items will be given to the PTA for the Summer Fair. Thank you for your support.

The Eco Team





Father's Day Fun!

We are delighted to invite you to school for some Father's Day Fun on Friday 13th June.

Squirrels and Reception parents: 'Stay and Play' Father's Day Fun at 2:30.

Please use the gates by Hazel Class and enter the classroom through the outside classroom doors. The gates will be opened at **2:20**.

Squirrels parents; please go straight to Squirrels.

KS1 (Year 1 and 2) parents: we will open the gates from the school field onto the alley way opposite the cricket pitch at **2:20** for Father's Day Fun on the Field.

If you have a child in both places, please come to the field first and make yourself known to a member of staff. You will be escorted to Nursery / Reception half way through the event.

At **3:00** we will ask all Squirrels and Reception parents to wait outside the classroom whilst children get their belongings and then you can take them home. At 3:00 the KS1 children will return to the classrooms to get ready for home and then you can take them home.

If you are not able to attend the event please let your child's class teacher know in advance.

Best wishes,

Miss Adams

Community Engagement Lead



Many congratulations to Austin Osei-Boateng who this week signed for the U9 QPR academy team and will continue as an U10 next season!

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

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

OFFICE REMINDERS

- Breakfast Club and Treetops accounts must be brought up to date please
- Bugfest & Lookout Discovery Centre consents to be completed before half term.

EID SNACK SALE - after school on Thursday 19th June

We so enjoyed the tasty snacks last year - samosas, pakoras etc - and are already looking forward to enjoying snacks again straight after school on the 19th.

If you are able to make snacks and/or help on the stall, please contact Miss Adams s.adams@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk



Parent Support Programme at
Pyrford CofE Primary School



The Cygnet Course is a support programme for parents and carers of children and young people, aged 5-18, who are autistic.

Surrey's Cygnet course offer is coordinated through the Autism Outreach team based at Freemantles School, but the team of trainers is made up from professionals working across Surrey in education, health and charity organisations.

**A Cygnet Course is being held at Pyrford Primary School with
Sarah Bourne - Assistant SENCO.**

11th, 18th & 25th and 2nd, 9th and 16th July: 6.00pm-8.30pm

The core Cygnet programme is delivered over six 2.5 hour sessions which include:

Session 1: Introductory session

Session 2: An overview of autism with parent and carer experience

Session 3: Thinking & Sensory

Session 4: Social Interaction & Communication

Session 5: Understanding and supporting behaviour

Session 6: Analysing behaviour

Parents of autistic children face the usual positives and challenges of parenting and quite a few more. Attending a Cygnet autism support programme gives parents and carers an opportunity to develop their understanding of autism and consider ways to support their child. It also provides the opportunity to meet other people in a similar position and hear about their experiences in an informal but supportive atmosphere.

Who can attend Cygnet sessions?

Parents, carers or other family members who have responsibility for your child. Your child needs to be between the ages of 5-18 years and live in Surrey. They may have a diagnosis of autism or be waiting for one. **Please book a place for each person attending.**

Fees

Freemantles Outreach are charging £10 per family to attend the 6-week programme, if you are not in a financial position to pay for this please get in touch with them to discuss further.

Please use this link to book your place- select group 15.

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20th August

Friday
8th August
22nd August

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Tuesday 10th June 2025
From 6.30pm
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2019 born are expected to be able to swim basic front crawl and backstroke.
2016 born must be able to swim good front crawl, backstroke and breaststroke.
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Parent and carer support

Supporting children who face additional challenges can be difficult at times. With that in mind, the Hope Service has created a space for groups of parents and carers to come together on a regular basis to discuss the challenges they face in a confidential and supportive environment.

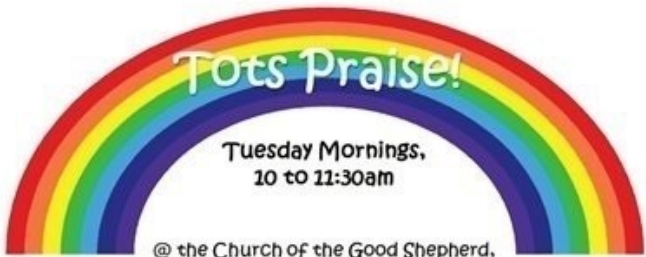
These groups are specifically for parents and carers of children who would like additional support. You will have an opportunity to exchange experiences and receive support towards managing the often complex situations you find yourselves in. This is not a parenting class, rather a non-judgemental support group and we encourage you to talk about whatever seems most important.

Support is offered via Microsoft Teams by Hope staff members, which could include a Therapist, Nurse, Teacher, Social Worker and Hope day programme staff or outside facilitators.

The following link details the sessions on offer:

<https://clicktime.symantec.com/15wPURrH3sqdNRyUBSm6S?h=HoBLVLuvjpOmfho-JzvP7c1OsGi2TUbnQU9T6LXwJWQ=&u=https://www.hopeservice.org.uk/parent-and-carer-support>

Tuesday 27 May 5 - 6 pm	Sleep hygiene and Self Care: How can you support your young person who has interrupted sleep and is struggling to care for themselves.
Tuesday 10 June 5 - 6 pm	Community support versus psychiatric inpatient admission: What are the benefits of a community package versus hospital admission.



Tots Praise!
Tuesday Mornings,
10 to 11:30am
@ the Church of the Good Shepherd,
Coldharbour Road, Pyrford GU22 8SP

Songs, puppets, story, cake, coffee, juice,

We'd love to see you.

Any enquiries Suzanne at the Parish Office 01932 356166
Suzanne@wisleywithpyrford.org



SALESIAN COLLEGE OPEN EVENTS

Tour n Talk
Due to popular demand, we have added an additional two Tour and Talk dates:
1.45pm - 3.00pm Thursday 5 June or
9.30 - 10.45 Tuesday 17 June

Taster Day Monday 30 June
Year 5 boys are able to experience life and learning at Salesian College through our Taster Day. During the day they will experience sample lessons, games and a hearty lunch.

Please scan the QR Code to book your place at these events:

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SCAN ME



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

- 9:00am to 11:00am. Hall and play area in Church are open.
- 9:00am-10:30am. Cooked Breakfasts served.