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Pyrford C of E Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Year 5 investigate the 'plane crash' at school!



Can anyone explain the plane crash that appeared on Pyrford Primary School's grounds on Monday? How do maggots relate to this? Year 5 spent some time putting the clues together to try and reveal what happened. Our new

text, *Survivors: Exciting Tales from the Wild and Beyond*, will surely have some answers.



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Headteacher's Letter

Dear Parents,

It has been a busy week for our Year 6 children, some of whom have been out on the local roads ensuring they know how to keep safe and also a nervous time for those who were waiting for the outcome of the School Captain appointments. It has been a really tricky decision to make and not something that I have had to do before. I met with all the candidates and read their letters of application. I then spoke with many of the teachers who knew the children better, to fill me in with things I just wouldn't know. I was delighted to announce the new captains in assembly today. Congratulations to:

HOUSE	HOUSE CAPTAINS	VICE CAPTAIN
Ashdown	Poppy Newman Henry Sutherland	Tom Waldron
Athol	Hibah Mushtaq Charlie Sherlock	Abbie Napier
Brecon	Evie Mickiewicz Emma Robinson	Adriana Kale Parron
Kielder	Zaynab Hussain Arthur Tucker	Archie Matthews

I also want us to spare a thought for those that were not chosen, as I know that for some they will find it disappointing. Please remember that this is only one of the many opportunities available to our Year 6 children and I hope those that were not chosen will be able to throw their support behind the new captains and be a great role model for all other children throughout the year.

Thank you to all the parents that made the time to visit for Parents Evenings. If for any reason you were unable to attend, do drop your class teacher a quick email and they will do their best to accommodate you at another time. It is a vital part of working together to make sure that all our children can achieve their potential.

On the back of last week's comments regarding Healthy Snacks, I wanted to update all of you that I have opened up this week a dialogue with Twelve15, our catering providers, to discuss improvements to the current offering of school meals. As part of this I wanted to make sure that all parents are aware that there is a wonderful form on their website (<https://www.itstwelve15.co.uk/contact>) which gives parents the chance to make direct contact about the service their children receive. I am informed that they are eager to receive feedback. We will be keeping a close eye on the provision over the next few weeks and working to assure quality and hopefully seeing some improvements.

I'm looking forward to my first trip to church next Friday for Harvest Festival! Enjoy your weekend.

Mr. D

Gavin Dutton
Headteacher

SEN Parents Evenings

Meetings will take place on Wednesday 27th November from 3:30pm to 5:30pm. Slots will last 15 minutes and will be bookable on the School Cloud system. Parents will be contacted when the site opens for bookings.

At this meeting teachers will share the progress towards the targets that the children have been working on this term.

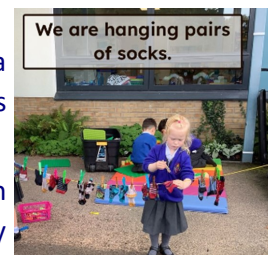
Golden Book Awards



N SQUIRRELS - Max Vymetal Max is showing so much more interest in drawing and writing and is even writing his name on his pictures. Well done Max!

R BEECH - Lyla Ball for being such an enthusiastic learner. She always listens carefully to all our stories and lessons. She is keen to participate and always has something valuable to add to our learning. She is keen to ask and answer questions and all with a big smile on her face!

R HAZEL - Amber Sinclair Amber starts and ends her day with a smile on her face and a spring in her step. This week we've been learning about sorting in Maths and Amber has been sorting like a Super Star!



1 OAK - Mason Gray for the excellent effort he has shown in his Maths. We have been learning to identify one more and one less of a number within 10 and Mason was very confident when doing so. Miss Daly is so impressed with his positive attitude. Keep up the great work Mason - well done!

1 PINE - Madison Waite for brilliant exploring of the sense of sight!

2 CEDAR - Maisie Waite In Science we have been learning about the life cycle of a butterfly. Maisie was able to draw the different stages of the life cycle and include labels to add extra information. Well done Maisie!

2 HAWTHORN - Aaryan Razaq Aaryan has used our class text map to rewrite a non-chronological report about a fictional moth. He impressed Mrs Porter with how he set out his report using sub-headings and remembered some of the expert vocabulary. He also included his own ideas to add detail and make it interesting for the reader. Well done Aaryan!

3 ELM - Théo Lant We started our learning about the Romans and Celts. Théo drew and labelled a fantastic Celtic hill fort and told Mrs Booker all about the different features. Great work Théo!

3 MAPLE - Eadie Awcock for her excellent work in History. Mrs Brockway thought your drawing of a Celtic hill fort, and the labels, were very impressive. Well done.

4 ALDER - Hadi Ahmed In Maths we have been practising adding and subtracting 1's, 10's, 100's and 1000's. Hadi listened carefully and worked hard to complete this task. He also remembered to present his work neatly, writing one digit in each box so that it is easier to read. Keep up the great work Hadi.

4 LARCH - Belle Currid In Gymnastics we have been linking together jumps and rolls. Belle demonstrated great ability and control and impressed Mrs Steen with her routine. She thought carefully about using smooth transitions and her performance.

5 CHERRY - Ivy Don Carolis. In Science, we have just started learning the names of the planets. Ivy listened attentively and contributed to our class discussion. She included lots of the new vocabulary in her learning and translated a description of Neptune accurately. Well done Ivy!

5 ROWAN - Mollie Ball for the brilliant narrative she wrote in English. She tried hard to create atmosphere using lots of figurative language and painted a picture for her reader with some fantastic vocabulary choices. Excellent work Mollie!

5 WILLOW - Ben Watkins for always contributing his ideas in lessons. He shows tremendous effort in everything he does and Mrs Woodhams is very proud of the way he conducts himself in the classroom. He is an excellent role model to others. Well done Ben. Keep up the exceptional work!



6 HOLLY - Zaynab Hussain Mrs Bull was so impressed with Zaynab's *Mona Lisa* portraits in the style of Andy Warhol. She traced the outline precisely and used powerful colours to create bold pieces. Her attention to detail is amazing and she should be very proud of her artwork. Fabulous, Zaynab!

6 LAUREL - Iman Ahmad for producing a fabulous information poster about Charles Darwin in our Science topic, *Evolution and Inheritance*. Iman worked so hard to include many interesting facts, as well as illustrations and maps explaining who Darwin was and highlighting the importance of his work and discoveries. Well done Iman, keep up the great work.

RECEPTION PLEAS

If you have any of the following to donate to Reception, they would be very grateful - donations can be dropped at the office
Happyland Toys * Car garages * Pirate ships * Small world people/animals * Dolls (Barbie)



The Reception staff also ask that you don't let children play in the Reception outside area after school please. They regularly have to tidy up after school or before they set up in the morning and don't have the time to do this in addition to resourcing the outside area for Reception children. Sadly the toys are getting damaged and need replacing. Please can we ask parents to watch their children and not to open any of the sheds. Many thanks.

The outside area after school earlier this week



School Harvest Service Friday 13th October

Children are invited to bring donations for the foodbank

ITEMS THEY NEED (very urgent items are starred)

Multi pack crisps *
Small size laundry detergent, non bio type *
Tinned ham and spam *
Bars of chocolate & chocolate snack bars *
Deodorant (male & female) *
Hot Chocolate
Tinned meat meals
Tinned vegan & vegetarian meals
Disposable razors (male & female)
Tinned custard
Peanut butter
Tinned rice pudding
Cooking oil
Long life sponge puddings
Tinned salmon
Long life milk full type (blue)
Long life fruit juice
Honey

ITEMS THEY HAVE PLENTY OF

Tea bags
Soup
Porridge
Tinned pulses
Cereal
Pasta
Jars of cooking sauce
Bubble bath
Baked beans



CHRISTMAS DATES

Fri 6 Dec @ 9am **ENGAGE assembly**

Tue 10 Dec @ 2:30pm
Squirrels Sing Christmas

Wed 11 Dec @ 10am **EYFS Play**

Wed 11 Dec @ 1:30pm **KS1 Play**

Thu 12 Dec @ 1:30 pm **KS2 Carol Concert**

Fri 13 Dec **Christmas Lunch &
Christmas Jumper Day**

Fri 13 Dec @ 2:30pm
Squirrels Sing Christmas

Tue 17 Dec a.m. **EYFS Elf Visit**

Tue 17 Dec p.m. **Christmas Film
Afternoon**

Wed 18 Dec **Christmas
Pause Day**

Fri 20 Dec @ 9am
Christmas Service @ CoGS

AUTUMN TERM DATES		
Wed 9 Oct		Y4 Saxons Workshop
Fri 11 Oct	09:00	Harvest Service @ CoGS
Fri 11 Oct		Football Tournament (selected children)
Thu 10 & Fri 11 Oct		Y6 Screen Printing Workshop
Mon 14 Oct		Y4 Netball Team to Tournament @ Halstead
Mon 14 Oct	15:45-17:15	Hockey Tournament (selected children) @ Charterhouse School
Tue 15 Oct	20:00	Friends of Pyrford Primary School AGM
Wed 16 Oct		Y6 Netball Team to Tournament @ Greenfield
Thu 17 Oct		Y3 to Butser Farm
Fri 18 Oct	19:30-22:00	PTA Quiz Night
Wed 23 Oct		Y5 Wonderdome Visit
Thu 24 Oct		Y3 Romans & Celts Day
Fri 25 Oct		INSET DAY
Mon 28 Oct - Fri 1 Nov		HALF TERM HOLIDAY
Mon 4 Nov	13:40-16:00	Y4 Football Team Tournament @ Halstead
Tue 12 Nov		Individual Pupil Photos
Wed 13 Nov		Individual Pupil Photos
Wed 13 Nov	13:15-16:15	Y6 Boys Football Team Tournament @ Greenfield
Fri 15 Nov		Y5 Birds of Prey Visit
Wed 20 Nov		Flu Vaccinations
Thu 21 Nov		Y2 Fire of London Workshop
Wed 27 Nov	15:30-17:30	SEN Parents Meetings
Thu 28 Nov	13:15-16:15	Y4 Boys Football Team Tournament @ Greenfield
Thu 5 Dec		Y4 Netball Team Tournament @ Greenfield
Fri 6 Dec	09:00	ENGAGE Christmas Assembly
Sat 7 Dec		PTA Christmas Fair
Tue 10 Dec	14:30	Squirrels Sing Christmas
Wed 11 Dec	10:00	EYFS Christmas Play
Wed 11 Dec	13:30	KS1 Christmas Play
Thu 12 Dec	13:30	KS2 Carol Concert
Fri 13 Dec		Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 13 Dec	14:30	Squirrels Sing Christmas
Tue 17 Dec	am	EYFS Elf Visit
Tue 17 Dec	pm	Christmas Film Afternoon
Wed 18 Dec		Christmas Pause Day
Fri 20 Dec	09:00	Christmas Service @ CoGS
Fri 20 Dec	12:00	Last Day of Autumn Term
Mon 23 Dec - Fri 3 Jan		CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

SPRING TERM DATES		
Mon 6 Jan	First Day of Spring Term	
Thu 23 Jan	Y1 to Windsor Castle	
Wed 29 Jan	INSET DAY	
Thu 13 Feb	Y6 Greeks Workshop	
Mon 17 - Fri 21 Feb	HALF TERM HOLIDAY	
Wed 5 Mar	Y5 Vikings Workshop	
Wed 12 - Fri 14 Mar	Y4 Hindleap Warren Residential	
Thu 13 Mar	Y2 to Brooklands Museum	
Wed 19 Mar	YN & YR Little City Visit	
Fri 4 Apr	12:00	Last Day of Spring Term
Mon 7 - Mon 21 Apr	EASTER HOLIDAY	

SUMMER TERM DATES		
Tue 22 Apr	First Day of Summer Term	
Fri 25 Apr	Y5 Tudor Workshop @ RGS (1 class)	
Fri 2 May	Y5 Tudor Workshop @ RGS (1 class)	
Fri 9 May	YR to Godstone Farm	
Fri 16 May	Y5 Tudor Workshop @ RGS (1 class)	
Mon 26 - Fri 30 May	HALF TERM HOLIDAY	
Thu 12 Jun	Y2 to The Lookout Discovery Centre	
Tue 17 Jun	Y6 Leavers' Service @ Cathedral	
Fri 20 Jun	Y4 Chinese Dragon Workshop	
Tue 24 Jun	Y6 Lego Stem Workshop	
Fri 27 Jun	Y5 to Wildwood	
Mon 30 Jun	INSET DAY	
Tue 1 & Wed 2 Jul	Forest School - 1 class per day	
Fri 4 Jul	Y3 Outdoor Learning Activity Day	
Mon 7 - Fri 11 Jul	Y6 Marchants Hill Residential	
Fri 18 Jul	12:00	Last Day of Summer Term

Many congratulations to Noah Westwood from Alder Class for winning the Under 9s Tennis Championship at Byfleet Lawn Tennis Club. He won a round robin game of 7, making it to the quarters and semis before winning the finals on Sunday.



Is your child in year 6?

If so, you need to apply online for a secondary school place by **31 October 2024**. Applying on time gives you a better chance of getting one of your preferred schools.

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 or you can call us on 0300 200 1004.



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Wednesdays at 4pm - Hoe Valley Community Building, Next To The Leisure Centre, Woking Park, Kingfield Road, Woking, GU22 9BA

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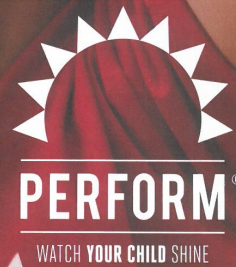
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Perform Weybridge

Mondays at 4pm - St James' Parish Centre, Church Street, Weybridge, Surrey, KT13 8DE

Perform Virginia Water

Mondays at 4pm - Virginia Water Community Association, Virginia Water Community Centre, 3 Beechmount Avenue, Virginia Water, GU25 4EY



SATURDAY SOCCER SCHOOL

CHAMPION PRO SOCCER AFC BROOKLANDS

▶▶ BOYS & GIRLS AGED 4–7
▶▶ 10:00AM – 11:00AM
▶▶ FULLBROOK SPORTS CENTRE, KT15 3HW

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NOTICE OF FRIENDS OF PYRFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL (FPPS) AGM

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Friends of Pyrford Primary School (FPPS) will be held on Tuesday 15th October 2024 at 8pm (with welcome drinks from 7:30pm).

The meeting will be held in person at Pyrford Primary School. The matters to be discussed include election of committee members, updating the constitution, FPPS finances, forthcoming fundraising events and any requests for funding received from the school.

All parents / carers of children currently attending Pyrford Primary School and all staff are welcome to attend.

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SCHOOL UNIFORM

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Good quality pre-loved uniform items available in a range of sizes

The PTA are now running the uniform shop

- Email: pyrforduniform@gmail.com with your request
- Collections/donations: meet at the portacabin (back playground) on Fridays at 3pm
- Cash or card accepted - proceeds go to the school!

EMAIL: PYRFORDUNIFORM@GMAIL.COM

FRIENDS OF PYRFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL PRESENT

AUTUMN QUIZ NIGHT

*Early birds!
Sign up before
1 Oct to get a
free bottle for
your table!*

Friday 18 October
7.30 – 10pm School Hall

£10 PER PERSON

TEAMS OF MAXIMUM 8 PEOPLE

**No team? Email us (pyrfordptaevents@gmail.com)
and we'll find you one!**

Scan the QR Code and get booking!
Pizza can also be ordered in advance

Drinks and snacks will be available to buy
Please bring your own drinking glasses
Card only payments please





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 _____
I would be available to help on Friday _____ (date)

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

OCTOBER
Friday 4th October 6:30pm-7:45pm
@ the church of the good shepherd
Friday 18th October 6:20pm-8:00pm
TRIP OUT BOWLING~ GUILDFORD SPECTRUM

NOVEMBER
Friday 15th November 6:30pm-7:45pm
@ the church of the good shepherd
Friday 29th November 6:30pm-7:45pm
@ the church of the good shepherd

DECEMBER
Friday 13th December 6:30pm-7:45pm
@ the church of the good shepherd

currynight@wisleywithpyrford.org', and 'Do join us as we enjoy fellowship, beer and fantastic Curry from New Hawell! - Heritage Cuisine of India!'. There is a dove icon and a small circular logo."/>

Suzanne@wisleywithpyrford.org'. There are small cartoon baby icons."/>