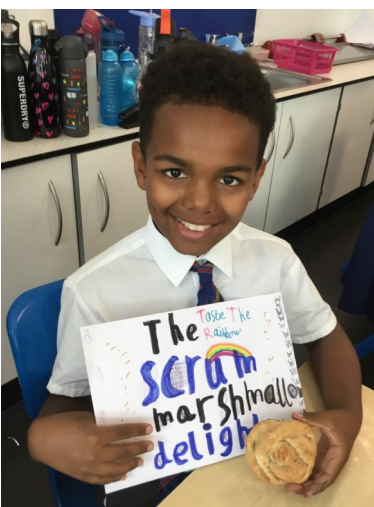
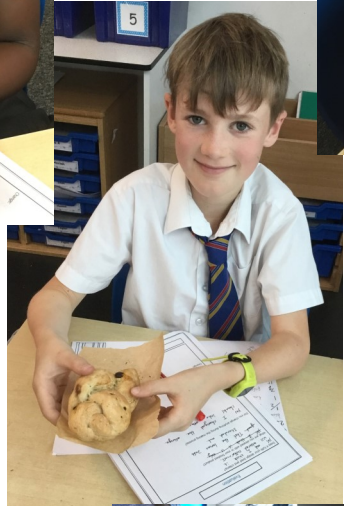
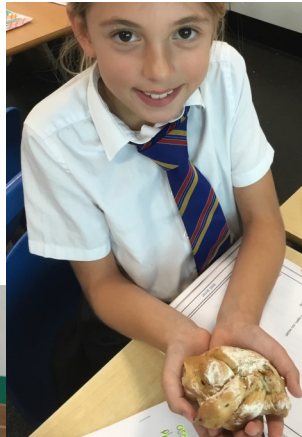


20 September 2024

Pyrford C of E Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Year 4's Great Bread Bake Off



The children have had fun designing, baking and tasting their own creations.



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Headteacher's Letter

Dear Parents,

We've had another successful week at Pyrford and it has been lovely to have some sunshine! The children are settling into their new routines well and are engaging in their learning. It has been a pleasure to see so many 'Wow' moments in the classroom already this term.

This week, we continued our exploration of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, focusing on the message that we shouldn't worry because God will always care for us. We also discussed how it's completely normal to feel worried at times, and how important it is to share those worries with trusted adults and family members who can help. We talked about how some things are not for children to worry about, and how adults, with their life experience, can offer guidance, as they may have faced similar concerns in the past. It's essential that parents and adults, are mindful of what is discussed around children, or what they may be exposed to online as certain conversations can lead to unnecessary worries. At the same time, it's important to shield children from the things that concern us as adults, whenever possible.

This week saw our Dodgeball team head to Woking Leisure Centre to compete against a number of other local schools. They came second and I'm very proud of how they represented the school with pride, demonstrating our school values and being excellent ambassadors for our school. Well done to them!

Before I finish off this communication I do have a few requests:

1) I understand that with the end of the road closed it does make it harder to move around the school at drop off and pick up times. However, this is no excuse for poor, disrespectful or illegal parking. Please make sure you do not block driveways or paths and think about where you are parking so that all our children can be safe.

2) Trading cards, whether they be football cards or Pokémon or anything similar, are not allowed on the school site. We have had a number of incidents this week that have disrupted the school's core purpose of learning. We do not allow other 'toys' to be brought into school and I have instructed staff that if they are brought to school, we will remove them from the children, until the end of the day. Please help us, by ensuring that these and other unnecessary items are not brought to school and are kept for home time activities.

3) A little request from all the teachers about key rings on children's bags - these are getting out of hand with multiple key rings being attached to bags - this means they cannot fit inside the drawers and be stored easily - so please would you make sure there is no more than one per bag when we return on Monday.

Finally, I hope you all can have a wonderful weekend and we look forward to seeing you and all the children on Monday.

Mr. D

Gavin Dutton
Headteacher

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.



Apply online
apply on time by
31 October 2024



Parents Evening Meetings

Parents meetings will be held week commencing 30th September. Due to staff availability, there are some changes to the usual pattern so please see the table below for your child(ren)'s class(es).

Squirrels (pre-school year only)	Tuesday 1 st 15:30 – 17:30		Thursday 3 rd 15:30 – 19:30
Beech & Hazel	Tuesday 1 st 15:30 – 17:30		Thursday 3 rd 15:30 – 19:30
Oak & Pine	Tuesday 1 st 15:30 – 17:30		Thursday 3 rd 15:30 – 19:30
Cedar & Hawthorn	Tuesday 1 st 15:30 – 17:30		Thursday 3 rd 15:30 – 19:30
Elm & Maple	Tuesday 1 st 15:30 – 17:30		Thursday 3 rd 15:30 – 19:30
Alder & Larch	Tuesday 1 st 15:30 – 17:30	Wednesday 2 nd 15:30 – 19:30	
Cherry		Wednesday 2 nd 15:30 – 17:30	Thursday 3 rd 15:30 – 19:30
Rowan & Willow	Tuesday 1 st 15:30 – 17:30		Thursday 3 rd 15:30 – 19:30
Holly		Wednesday 2 nd 15:30 – 17:30	Thursday 3 rd 15:30 – 19:30
Laurel	Tuesday 1 st 15:30 – 17:30		Thursday 3 rd 15:30 – 19:30

Meetings will be in person in your child's classroom. There will be the opportunity to see some of their work so far this year, to discuss how your child has settled in to their new class and to discuss how they will be supported this year.

Mrs Hope's meeting will be in the Conference Room (on the first floor at the rear of the building). She will meet with parents in their pre-school year only, as she will have met, or will be meeting, with parents of younger children at Squirrels.

Appointments are booked online. The booking site opens at 6pm on Monday 23rd September. The site can be found on this link <https://pyrfordcofe.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Please contact us in the office if you have any queries.

Please note that there is a funeral at the Church of the Good Shepherd next Tuesday, 24th September, so parking will not be possible at pick up time.

It is great that so many children are cycling and scooting to school. Please can scooters make full use of the scooter parking pods so that bikes have enough room to be secured in the cycle sheds.



Spelling Shed

Thank you for your patience whilst EdShed sorted out the problem we had with logins. All children in years 2-6 should now be able to login and play on Spelling Shed. If any problems with logins remain, please email your child's class teacher and we will do our best to rectify the problem.

Golden Book Awards



N SQUIRRELS - Alayna Ahmed Alayna loves to draw and create pictures. She holds a pen well and is always very proud of her creations. Well done Alayna!

R BEECH - Luca Xuereb for coming in to school with a huge smile on his face. He is kind, thoughtful and super helpful. Luca always notices when a job needs doing or toys need tidying up. He listens carefully to the grown ups and has had a fantastic start to school!

R HAZEL - Orson Patel for being such a positive and enthusiastic learner! Orson has a go at everything and looks for ways to include his friends.

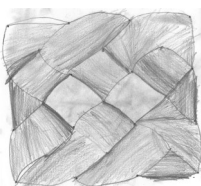
1 OAK - Eddie Rochford for the incredibly positive attitude which he has towards school. Eddie is always enthusiastic to come to school, to learn and to play with others. He listens very well and always follows instructions, particularly within our PE lessons. It is a joy to have Eddie in Oak Class - well done!

1 PINE - Flynn Capindale for showing great resilience in our learning about teeth.

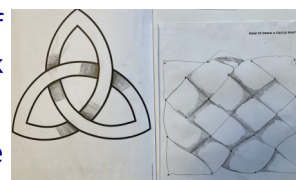
2 CEDAR - Coralie Gray In English, we have been writing using our five senses to describe how it felt to be the snail in a storm at sea from *The Snail and the Whale*. Coralie used excellent adjectives and conjunctions to make her writing exciting to read. Well done Coralie!

2 HAWTHORN - Fatimah Bint-Muhammad In Maths, we have been partitioning 2-digit numbers into tens and ones. Fatimah used Base 10 to build the numbers, then partitioned them using a part whole model. Well done Fatimah!

3 ELM - Poppy Skeat This week we have been developing our understanding of sketching by drawing Celtic knots. Poppy produced these wonderful pieces of work using shading and hatching. Great job Poppy!



3 MAPLE - Hamzah Zafar for the excellent attention to detail that he demonstrated during Art. He did a great job when he drew his Celtic knot and shaded it brilliantly. Mrs Brockway was so impressed!



4 ALDER - Louis Pitts for really impressing us with how well he has settled into Year 4. He is working hard in all subjects. In Science, he came up with so many ideas of where electricity can be found in his home. Keep up the great work Louis.

4 LARCH - Toby Brewster for really impressing us with his knowledge and enthusiasm in Maths. He always offers his ideas and joins in with discussion. In every lesson he works hard to complete all the challenges!

5 CHERRY - Marianna Franco-Turanska for her wonderful skill and attention to detail in Art. When experimenting with different watercolour techniques, Marianna took her time and produced four fantastic examples of the spray technique, sponge wash, colour lifting and edge softening. Well done Marianna, keep up the great work!

5 ROWAN - Xanthe Wilkins for her amazing work in Geography. She presented her work beautifully and added in extra information to show her knowledge and understanding. Well done Xanthe!

5 WILLOW - James Pugh for his phenomenal effort in Geography. He created a detailed flowchart to describe what an earthquake is and explain why they occur. Not only has he impressed Mrs Woodhams with remembering technical - and quite tricky - vocabulary, he also implemented it into his learning. Well done James!

6 HOLLY - William Skeat for creating a fantastic page about Pop Artist, Roy Lichtenstein. Using primary colours, he included Ben-Day dots as well as solid colour to recreate some of Lichtenstein's most famous pictures. His written information in speech bubbles is also very effective and captures the mood of Pop Art. Great work, William!



6 LAUREL - Jaime Embling for a fabulous storyboard about Mary Anning, who discovered the first fossil about 200 years ago when she was only 12 years old. Jaime worked hard to include all the important information and illustrated her storyboard beautifully. Keep up the great work Jaime!

Sports News

Cricket

Years 4 and 5 have had their second session with Surrey County Cricket Club this week. We have been very fortunate to have one of their professional coaches who will be working with the children on their cricket unit this half term. The children are really enjoying it and it provides our teaching and support staff with valuable professional development.



Yesterday, our Year 5 Dodgeball Team took part in a tournament against other local schools at Woking Leisure Centre. They worked so well as a team and came second! Well done to them all.



Free School Meals



Are you entitled?

Did you know your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following?

- ◆ Income Support
- ◆ Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- ◆ Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- ◆ Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- ◆ the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- ◆ Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- ◆ Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- ◆ Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Frequently Asked Questions re Free School Meals

- ◆ **In addition, the following pupils will be protected against losing their free school meals as follows:**
- ◆ Pupils who were eligible on 1st April 2018 or who became eligible since then continue to receive free meals even if their household is no longer eligible under the benefits/low earnings criteria up until March 2025 and then until the end of their current phase of education. New Applicants for free school meals on or after 1st April 2018 who are in receipt of Universal Credit and have earnings above the earned income threshold (as noted above) will not be eligible for free school meals.
- ◆ **Can an infant pupil be eligible for benefit-related free school meals even though they receive Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM)?**
- ◆ Yes! Any pupil, who attends school for at least one full day a week and whose parents match the eligibility criteria, can receive benefits-related free school meals. An infant pupil who is eligible will then be protected (under transitional protection) and will continue to receive free school meals even when they are no longer eligible for UIFSM i.e. when they move to Year 3. They will also be entitled to vouchers to cover the holiday periods.
- ◆ **Are nursery pupils eligible for benefits-related free school meals?**
- ◆ If a pupil attends a maintained nursery (including academies), for at least one full day a week (before and after the lunch break) and their parents are in receipt of a qualifying benefit then the pupil is eligible for benefits-related free school meals.
- ◆ **Do both parents have to be eligible?**
- ◆ As long as both parents have parental responsibility for the specific pupil, we can use either parent's information to help determine eligibility, giving the pupil the best chance to receive free school meal entitlement.

Please come and speak to the office or email s.alexander@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk if you think your child is entitled to free school meals.

We understand that the cost of living crisis is affecting many families. Please come and talk to us if you would like to discuss any financial worries. You can ask at the office or email l.vymetal@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk. We are here to support you and your child.

AUTUMN TERM DATES		
Fri 20 Sep		PTA Magic Shows
Mon 30 Sep - Fri 4 Oct		Y6 Bikeability
Tue 1 Oct		Y1-3 Perform Drama Workshops
Tue 1 Oct	15:30-17:30	Parents Evening (not Holly)
Wed 2 Oct	15:30-17:30	Parents Evening (Holly only)
Thu 3 Oct	15:30-19:30	Parents Evening
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
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
Thu 28 Nov	13:15-16:15	Y4 Boys Football Team Tournament @ Greenfield
Thu 5 Dec		Y4 Netball Team Tournament @ Greenfield
Sat 7 Dec		PTA Christmas Fair
Fri 20 Dec	12:00	Last Day of Autumn Term
Mon 23 Dec - Fri 3 Jan		CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY



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.

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





CARING FOR CARERS AUTISM & MENTAL HEALTH

Whether you're a parent or carer of a neurodivergent individual, or you are yourself autistic, SMEF would like to invite you to come and learn about the impacts of autism on parents and carer's mental health and how to get the support you need.


**Monday
30th September, 2024**


10:00am - 1:30pm


**Phoenix Cultural Centre,
Woking, GU21 6JT**



REGISTER NOW

Event Highlights

Interactive Talk
Learn about the impact Autism can have on the mental health of a parent or carer, and how you can implement ways to support good mental health.

Tea and Traditional Snacks
Come and join us for tea, coffee and some traditional snacks., during our break and meet the professional

ArtEase Therapy
Therapeutic Workshop - using art and creativity to bring ease to the mind.

WWW.SMEF.ORG.UK
CONTACT - SADIA.SULTAN@SMEF.ORG.UK



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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

PRE-LOVED UNIFORM SHOP

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





FPPS

IT'S PANTO TIME!

(Oh no it isn't!)



Thursday
2 Jan 2025, 1pm

Tickets £18

Robin Hood

Yvonne Arnaud Theatre, Guildford

For tickets please scan the QR code:

Booking & payment deadline - 25 Sept



All sales are final



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

The Light Fantastic

Thursday 31st October
 6pm-7:30pm

Music, Food, Fun, Worship,
 Prayer, Craft, Fireworks, Jesus

@The Church of the Good
 Shepherd, Coldharbour Road,
 GU22 8SP

6:00pm Together in Church
 6:30pm Food & Fun in Hall & Church
 7:00pm Fireworks watch from the School Field

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

For Carers and little ones.
 Toys, Refreshments, Craft, Chat.

PYRFORD TOTS STAY & PLAY

Wednesdays
 (Term Time)
 10:35am – 12noon

At the Church of the Good
 Shepherd Hall, Pyrford
 GU22 8SP

£2 donation per family

We'd love to see you at the
Coffee Shop

Friday Mornings (term time)
 At the Church of the Good Shepherd, Pyrford

- 8:30am. Self service tea, coffee, squash in the church area. (Play area and toys here also.)
- 9:00am to 11:00am. All areas open.
- 9:00am-10:30am. Cooked Breakfasts served.

GOD'S GIRLS GOING DEEPER

Saturday 28th September - 10.30 am
 Helen Lambert

"Just one thing It must be love: a guide for these times"

10.00 am – Coffee
 10.30 am – Teaching

Taking place at the Church of the Good Shepherd

Walsley with Pyrford
GOD'S GIRLS

GETTING TO KNOW YOU SUNDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER

3-5PM
 PYRFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL FIELD
 ALL AGES ROUNDERS AND FOOTBALL
 ICE CREAM PROVIDED