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Pyrford C of E Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Year 6 Residential - Non-Stop Adventure



It looks like we will have very tired children returning from Marchants Hill this afternoon!



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Headteacher's Letter

Dear Parents,

After the brief respite of last weekend, the weather has returned with a vengeance this week—and looks set to continue into the weekend! However, that hasn't stopped the school from powering through and wrapping up as many tasks as possible, ensuring we finish the year on a strong note and look forward to the summer holidays with excitement and optimism for the year ahead.

Our assembly theme this term has been "**Incredible Journeys**", and this week we explored Buddhism, including a story about wisdom being the light in our lives. We've been reflecting on the changes that lie ahead for all of us. It's perfectly normal to feel a little anxious about change, but we've reminded the children of how much they've already grown and adapted. For most pupils (sorry, Year 6!), the changes coming will be small—and we know they are more than ready for them.

I was fortunate to join Year 6 on their residential trip to **Marchants Hill** this week. It was a real privilege to spend time with the children in a different setting and witness just how much they've developed over the past year. So many pupils showed our school values in action: **Resilience** as they tried new activities, **Love and Respect** in the way they supported and cared for one another, and **Wisdom** in the decisions they made. I'm sure there will be some tired bodies returning home this weekend, but rest assured, they'll be bringing back fantastic memories as they enter their final few days at Pyrford School.

Looking ahead to next week—our final week of term—please note that due to the hot weather forecast, we will continue to give parents the option to send children in either **school uniform or PE kits**. We'll also continue to follow our lunchtime heat procedures to limit time outdoors during the hottest part of the day. This will apply all week, including **Thursday**, when we have our **Leavers' Service** at the church. That service will focus on Year 6, and while all parents are welcome, we would prefer that those whose children are not in Year 6 consider staying home, as a smaller number of attendees will help keep the church cooler and more comfortable for everyone.

Next week I'll also be sending out a **survey on school uniform**, so please keep an eye out for that!

As we celebrate the end of term, I can't help but look forward to tomorrow's **Village Show**—an event I've heard a great deal about since my appointment last year! The excitement has been building across the school, and it's clearly a cherished tradition in the community. I'm looking forward to experiencing it first-hand — taking in the festivities and enjoying the displays of our pupils' talents in singing, dancing, and art.

Finally, a quick update on **school uniform**: Following recent Department for Education recommendations, we've revised our uniform policy to ensure that there are **no more than three compulsory items of logo-branded clothing**.

From **September**, the requirements will be:

- **Key Stage 1:** A logo'd cardigan or jumper, and a logo'd PE shirt.
- **Key Stage 2:** A logo'd blazer, tie, and a logo'd PE polo shirt.

Thank you, as always, for your support and enthusiasm throughout the year. Here's to a joyful and memorable final week!

Gavin Dutton
Headteacher

Congratulations to Ottilie, Mikaela, Matilda C and Belle from Larch Class who raised £150 on Tuesday by selling homemade cookies and lemonade. Delicious!

The money is being split between the RSPCA and the PTA - thank you girls!



Well done to Summer and Bethany from Alder Class who were part of a team of 10 paddleboarders who took part in the New Haw community litter pick at the weekend. The team collected 7 full bin bags of rubbish from the canal.



Mark, the mobile coffee man, who visits school each week, is retiring at the end of the year and is selling his business. If you are interested, please call him on 07958 351684. The staff would love the business to continue!



We can currently only accept the following donations

- white polo shirts (in good condition)
 - PE shorts
 - blazers

PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL BREAKFAST CLUB AND TREETOPS ACCOUNTS AND TRIP PAYMENTS ARE BROUGHT UP TO DATE BY THE END OF TERM

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

Golden Book Awards



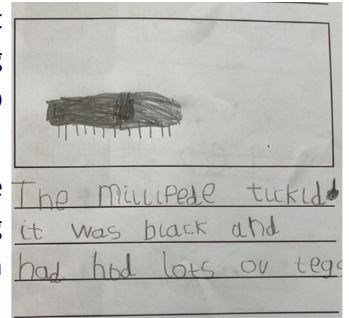
N SQUIRRELS - Eleri, Ralph & Rayden These children only joined Squirrels after the Easter holidays, yet you would think they'd been here all year. They all settled brilliantly. They explore the nursery with interest, participate in group times and enjoy playing with the other children. Well done!

Barney, Elias, Hunan & Imogen These children have had a fantastic first year at Squirrels. They're always happy, eager to play and get stuck into all the exciting activities. We're so pleased they'll be returning next year for even more fun, friendship and learning adventures!

R BEECH - Joshua, Leo and Ted The boys are animal experts. All year the boys have been keen to learn animal facts and are always enthusiastic about our learning. The bug workshop generated some excellent writing from them all too. Well done boys!



Ava & Emily We have been learning to paint flowers like the illustrator in the book we have been reading. The girls thought carefully about the shapes, colours and techniques they used. Beautiful paintings girls!



R HAZEL - Ayla for having a busy afternoon with her friends. She played a game with numbers, did some amazing art work and was a really good helper at tidy up time. Well done Ayla!



Jannat for keeping herself very busy. She can usually be found in the mud kitchen cooking up a storm! Well done Jannat for doing super sharing and for your creative and fun ideas!

1 OAK - Husniya We have been learning to paint digitally in Computing and Husniya used her understanding of how to create and fill shapes very well when using a Chromebook. Husniya was able to create a beautiful flower of which she was very proud. And so she should be. Well done Husniya!

Aisha for the wonderful rotational printing that she created in her Art lesson. Aisha carefully drew two different patterns on a piece of foam before painting and printing on to her piece of paper. Miss Daly really loves the vibrant colours she chose and the final piece she made - well done Aisha!



1 PINE - All of Pine Class for working so hard on the art this term, creating wonderful printing pieces.

2 CEDAR - Maisy for her fantastic explanation text about how to look after a fox. Maisy used subheadings to organise her writing and remembered lots of important facts about foxes to make her writing interesting to read. Well done Maisy!

Yousef This week in Maths we have been learning column subtraction. Mrs Goree was so impressed with Yousef as he was able to confidently answer the questions independently. He tried hard to present his numbers neatly. Well done Yousef!

2 HAWTHORN - Isa In our Computing lessons, we have been creating our own music using Chrome Music Lab. Isa thought about the notes and tempo he was using and shared his music with the class. Well done Isa!

3 ELM - David for his outstanding work in Maths. He is an incredibly gifted mathematician who can solve even the most complex problems with ease. We call him our human calculator! Great work David!

Esmée for her brilliant reading. She has done a wonderful job in Year 3 and has developed into a really fluent, accurate reader who shows strong comprehension skills. Well done Esmée!

Sophie Last week we wrote stories based on a sea faring adventure aboard the Green Ship. Sophie wrote a fantastic tale using her excellent imagination to tell an exciting story using lovely descriptive language and personification of weather. Great job Sophie!

3 MAPLE - Anabia & Eloise for their excellent progress with writing this year. They have both tried very hard and

Mrs Brockway is so happy with their progress. They are both now writing in paragraphs, including lots of detail and joining up their handwriting. Well done girls!

4 ALDER - Adam & Noah for all their skills and sportsmanship that they have shown during our PE lessons this year. As well as achieving highly, they have been good team players and supported others.

4 LARCH - Mahenoor, Shifa & Teddy These children have all stood out for their work in English on our book *The Boy at the Back of the Class*. They wrote fantastic diary recounts as the character in the story and used the elements of our writers' toolkit effectively.

5 CHERRY - Yana for the love, care and support she gave her peers on Sports Day and our trip to Wild Wood. She went out of her way to cheer on her classmates and truly encompassed our school values of Love and Wisdom. Well done Yana, Miss Dennis is really proud of you!

5 ROWAN - Armaan & Umar for their superb writing in English. Their re-write of *The Journey* was inspiring, using emotive language and really making use of the toolkit for writing. It was wonderful work boys, really well done.

5 WILLOW - Amelie for her continued effort in class. She regularly contributes to discussions, tries her best with her learning and takes pride in the presentation of her work. She sets a wonderful example to the rest of the class. Well done Amelie!

6 HOLLY - Jain-Han for his work in History about music, fashion and the toys of the 1960s. He wrote a great deal of detail in his facts and illustrated his ideas well. Mrs Bull really likes how he used comparisons from the sixties to the present day in some things such as toys and music. Great work Jai-Han. Well done!

6 LAUREL - Oliver for his fantastic work in History in our topic 'Entertainment and Leisure in the 20th Century'. Oliver made a very informative poster on the 'Swinging Sixties' and included information about the music, fashion and toys that were popular in this decade. Well done Oliver, keep up the great work!

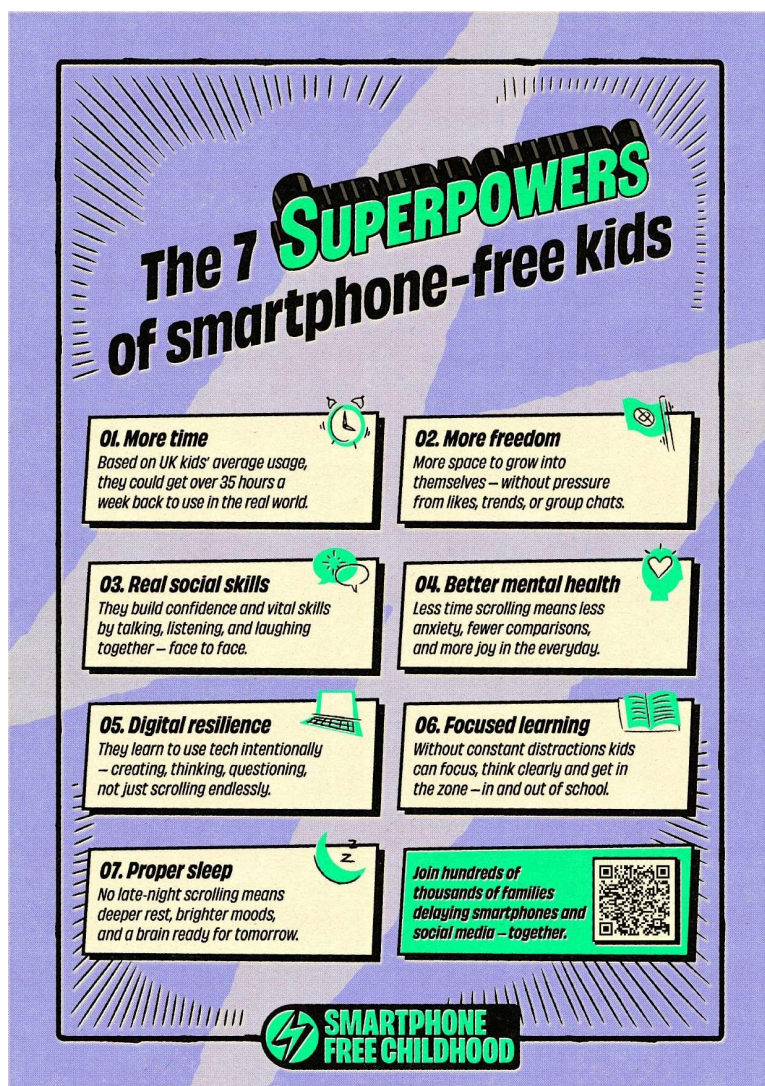


**YOU are invited to our first
parent presentation at
Pyrford Primary School**

**WHEN: TUESDAY 15TH JULY@2pm (pre
pick up)**

WHERE: SCHOOL HALL

Come and be part of the conversation & join the
movement



SUMMER TERM DATES		
Tue 15 Jul	08:45	EYFS/KS1 Awards Assembly
Tue 15 Jul	14:00	Smartphone Presentation to Parents
Wed 16 Jul	08:45	KS2 Awards Assembly
Wed 16 Jul		Reception Mini Beast Ball
Thu 17 Jul	09:00	Leavers' Service @ CoGS
Thu 17 Jul	13:30	Y6 Production @ CoGS
Fri 18 Jul	12:00	Last Day of Summer Term

Term Dates ... Next Year (2025/26)

Tuesday 2nd & Wednesday 3rd September	INSET DAYS
Thursday 4th September	Term starts for children
Friday 24th October	INSET DAY
Monday 27th - Friday 31st October	HALF TERM
Friday 19th December	Term ends at 12:00
Monday 5th January	First day of term
Wednesday 28th January	INSET DAY
Monday 16th - Friday 20th February	HALF TERM
Friday 27th March	Term ends at 12:00
Monday 13th April	First day of term
Monday 4th May	BANK HOLIDAY
Monday 25th - Friday 29th May	HALF TERM
Monday 29th June	INSET DAY
Friday 17th July	Term ends at 12:00

Term Dates ... The Year After (2026/27)

Tuesday 1st & Wednesday 2nd September	INSET DAYS
Thursday 3rd September	Term starts for children
Friday 16th October	INSET DAY
Monday 19th - Friday 30th October	HALF TERM
Friday 18th December	Term ends
Monday 4th January	First day of term
Monday 15th - Friday 19th February	HALF TERM
Wednesday 24th March	Term ends
Thursday 25th March	INSET DAY
Monday 12th April	First day of term
Monday 3rd May	BANK HOLIDAY
Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June	HALF TERM
Monday 28th June	INSET DAY
Friday 23rd July	Term ends



Saturday 19th July - 10am to 2pm
 Guildford Baseball Club, Kings College, Southway, GU2 8DU



T-Rex T-Ball
 for 4 - 7 Year Olds
 Try Hitting, Catching and Throwing
 with qualified coaches leading the
 sessions

Organised Games for 8 - 15 Year Olds
 Turn up and play, no experience needed
 and all equipment provided.
 Run by Guildford Baseball Club players
 and coaches



**BBQ & Cafe
 available**

**Free
 Parking**

**No sign up
 needed**

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Tuesday ~ Cook & Create

Wednesday ~ Arts & Clay



Thursday ~ Drama, Dance & Craft

Friday ~ Allsorts & Sports

ALLSORTS HOLIDAY CLUB

TUESDAY 12TH TO FRIDAY 15TH AUGUST

10:15AM TO 2:30PM EACH DAY

BOOK VIA WWW.WISLEYWITHPYRFORD.ORG/EVENTS

*COME AND HAVE A GOD FULL, FUN FULL, AMAZING TIME AT
 THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, PYRFORD. GU22 8SP*

£6 PER DAY. BRING A PACKED LUNCH. FOR 4 TO 11 YR OLDS

(SUBSIDIES ARE AVAILABLE DO CONTACT [SUZANNE@WISLEYWITHPYRFORD.ORG](mailto:suzanne@wisleywithpyrford.org) TO KNOW MORE)

**COME LEARN
 HOW TO BE
 A KINGDOM
 BUILDER !!**



Woking Family Centre

Every Thursday - 4 weeks

24th July - 14th August 2025
7pm - 8pm

Online SEND Support Group for Parents/Carers

Free support group for parents/carers with children aged 0-16 with pre or diagnosed SEND.

The course will cover topics like:

- Back to school and discussions around EHCP's
- Boundaries and useful parenting tools
- Accessing useful websites and other support networks
- Support on applying for DLA and other funding options.

For more information scan the QR code or call 01483 310419



Woking Family Centre, The Bungalow
Sythwood, Woking GU21 3AX

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Thursday 31st July 2025

10am - 11.30am

Friday 8th August 2025

1.30pm - 3pm

Wednesday 13th August 2025

10am - 11.30am

Wednesday 20th August 2025

11am - 12.30pm

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The Paediatrics Parenting Support Service is offering support to parents and carers living in Surrey who are exploring the possibility that their child, aged 5 or younger, may be neurodivergent, exhibiting challenging or avoidant behaviours, or seeking help to improve their child's social and emotional skills.

Our practitioners provide a 6-week group intervention, either online or face-to-face in the community, to empower families with strategies and resources for their child's development and well-being.

You can find out more information and how to refer into the service at www.Barnardos.org.uk or by scanning the below QR code:

