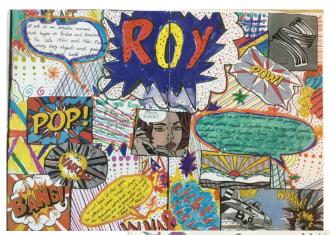
Pyrford C of E Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Pop Art

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Headteacher's Newsletter

Dear Parents,

What a wonderful week it has been at school!

We began our week in assembly, looking at some of the inspiring artwork of Jacqui Parkinson as we thought about what it feels like to be trusted with an important job – just as Mary was. Together, we reflected on how it feels when we are asked to take on something special, how important it is to take our responsibilities seriously, and that the greatest role each of us can play every day is simply to be ourselves and to be kind.

Monday then brought an exciting phone call letting us know that we will be welcoming a **SIAMS Inspector** to school on **Monday 6th October**. This is a wonderful opportunity to share all the amazing things that happen in our school and to show how we live out our vision:

"Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God." (Romans 15:7)

This vision has been a focus for us since the summer term, and we're really looking forward to the chance to share how it is shaping our school community. The inspector will be spending time with staff, children, parents, governors and friends of the school, and will see first-hand how our values guide us every day.

Throughout the week, I've also had the joy of spending time with many children across different year groups. I was treated to a fantastic performance from Year 6 during their music lesson, and I joined our brilliant Year 5 pupils at Woking Leisure Centre as they trained to become **Sports Leaders**. Their enthusiasm and maturity shone through!

We also held our much-anticipated **House Captain Elections** this week. I was so impressed with the shortlisted candidates, but even more so by how sensibly and respectfully our KS2 pupils approached their vote. The results were incredibly close – in one case so close we even had to hold a recount!

Here are our new House Captains for 2025/26:

• Kielder House

Captain - Tom Watkins
Vice Captains - Simon Chimwanda & Amelie Wood

Atholl House

Captain - Beau Brown Vice Captains - James Ezeogu & Haider-Ali Awan

Ashdown House

Captain - Caitlin Hunter
Vice Captains - Vera Sankar & Alexander Caulfield

Brecon House

Captain - Henry Pocock

Vice Captains - Jessica Hill & Caspian Rubie

A huge well done to everyone who put themselves forward. I know our new leaders will do a fantastic job inspiring their houses throughout the year.

Uniform Update

Thank you to everyone who completed our recent uniform survey. The results were discussed at this week's governors' meeting. As there was no clear direction for change, we will not be making any overall changes to our current uniform. However, my team will be exploring some more comfortable options for

the summer months. Once we have developed ideas, we'll share them with governors and then with parents.

Dates for your diary next week:

- PTA AGM Tuesday, 7.30pm at school. Everyone is welcome! Please do come along to hear about the wonderful work of our PTA, meet some of the members, and find out how you can get involved. Our PTA makes a huge difference to school life, and many hands really do make light work.
- Harvest Festival Thursday. We're looking forward to celebrating together and to receiving donations, which will be shared through the church to support families in our local community. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

It has been a week full of excitement, joy and community spirit. I hope you all have a restful and happy weekend!

Gavin Dutton

Behaviour Blog



Behaviour Tip: Accessing calm

When behaviour is wobbly and emotions are high, it is important that you can take control of your emotional responses. It can be useful to think of something that will help you do this - looking at a drawing your child has made you, listening to a specific piece of music or looking at a photo or video of your child that keeps your frustration in check.



- If you know your child might need Calpol or Nurofen during the school day, please drop it off at the school office in an unopened, named bottle.
- Please name all your child's belongings the unnamed lost property is spilling over!
- Y4 Hindleap consents and deposits by Wednesday 8th October.
- Breakfast Club & Treetops accounts up to date please.



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.

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 LOX 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

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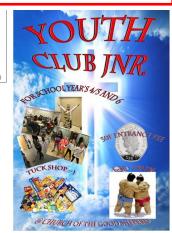
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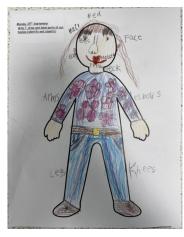
Golden Book Awards



N SQUIRRELS - **Immy** who has been such a kind and thoughtful friend to all the Squirrels, especially to the new children. Thank you, Immy, for helping them learn the routines, showing them what to do and where to put things. You're a wonderful role model and we're so lucky to have you!

R BEECH - Oscar for working really hard in his Maths recently. He has been concentrating really hard in lessons and learning all our new vocabulary. Last week he did some excellent sorting and matching and this week he has been trying to use our words *more* and *fewer* in his learning. Mrs Murray is so impressed!

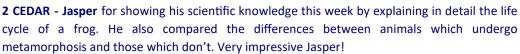
R HAZEL - **Olivia** We've been learning about Harvest and Olivia did this lovely thank you prayer in response. Well done Olivia for working so carefully to create a beautiful prayer.



1 OAK - Hannah for her excellent ability to draw and label the different parts of the body as part of our Science learning. She listened carefully to the instructions and should be very impressed with her result. Well done!

1 PINE - Salsabeel for her brilliant efforts in reading. She has been working hard to sound





2 HAWTHORN - **Huxley** who always shares his ideas with the class, particularly in our RE lessons. This week he was able to retell the Bible story of *The Lost Sheep* and explain how God is like a shepherd because he cares about all of us. "He acts like a shepherd. He's the king of the world." Huxley was also a kind friend in PE, where he helped others to play a game.

3 ELM - Ava Last week we wrote the untold story of Jack's adventures when he went through the tunnel. Ava wrote a brilliant story using well-chosen vocabulary and phrases to make her work really exciting to read. Great work Ava!

3 MAPLE - **Dev** for writing a fantastic story based on the untold story of Jack from *The Tunnel*. Dev worked really hard on his presentation and also included a range of interesting verbs and adverbs, making his story really interesting to read. Well done Dev - Mrs Goree is really proud of you!

4 ALDER - Eloise In History, we have been learning about typical jobs in Anglo-Saxon villages. Eloise showed a lot of interest and wrote the information brilliantly. She also works hard in all our other subjects and we are very proud of her. Well done Eloise!

4 LARCH - **David** We have been writing non-chronological reports about wolves. David wrote a wonderful report using effective expert language.

5 ROWAN - **Otis** In English, we have been writing setting descriptions based on our book *Ice Palace*. Otis really impressed Miss Wilson with his story. He used some fantastic personification and lovely figurative language that paints a wonderful picture for the reader. Great work Otis, keep it up!

5 WILLOW - **Noah** for his fantastic setting description based on *Ice Palace*. He clearly and imaginatively demonstrated his understanding of the story through his thoughtful choices and writing techniques. His use of fronted adverbials, subordinating clauses and powerful metaphors were especially impressive - well done. Keep up the fantastic work!

6 ASPEN - Immy for her outstanding football skills in our PE lessons. Her energy and enthusiasm really stood out - Mrs Brockway can see that she enjoys playing football so much. She particularly noticed her tackling, footwork and pace.

6 HOLLY - Livvy Listening to her writing today was a joy. She created a great piece of dialogue between our story characters, Ted and the secretary. Livvy has used some fabulous synonyms for said, added some narrative in between the chat to give the reader a picture in their head and thought carefully about correctly punctuating her work. Well done Livvy, great work.

6 LAUREL - Julian for his fabulous writing in English. He included all the key points for a diary entry, as well as considering how the character would be feeling and what he would be thinking at this point in our amazing mystery story. Keep up the great writing Julian!







For more information scan the QR code or call 01483 310419

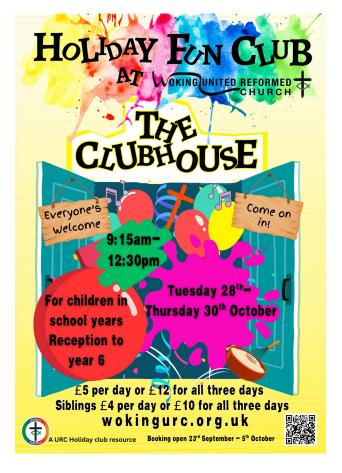


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Pyrford Neighbourhood Forum

Should Pyrford have a Parish Council?

At the request of the Pyrford Neighbourhood Forum, Woking Borough Council (WBC) is consulting Pyrford residents on whether the Pyrford Neighbourhood Area should have a Parish Council.

Please complete the WBC consultation to share your views



wokingsays.woking.gov.uk/en-GB/projects/pyrfordcgr

The consultation runs from 1 October to 30 November

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A Parish Council provides true localised consultation and decision making accountable to the local electorate. It can provide key local assets and services such as community centres, playgrounds, green spaces and allotments. It promotes a sense of place, pride and belonging in the community. This is particularly important at this time because by April 2027 Woking Borough Council will cease to exist and local decisions will be made by a Unitary Authority (West Surrey) representing around 500,000 people.

A Parish Council will give us a local voice.

For more information visit the Pyrford Neighbourhood Forum website at pyrfordforum.org

where you can also leave comments and ask questions.

AUTUMN TERM DATES			
Tue 7 Oct		Y5 to Juniper Hall	
Thu 9 Oct	09:00	Harvest Service @ CoGS	
Fri 10 Oct		Y4 Saxons Workshop	
Tue 14 Oct		KS1 Perform Workshop	
Tue 14 Oct	15:30-17:30	Parents Evening Meetings	
Wed 15 - Fri 17 Oct		Y6 Screen Printing Workshop	
Wed 15 Oct	15:30-19:30	Parents Evening Meetings Year 4 ONLY	
Thu 16 Oct	a.m.	Y6 Football Tournament @ Woking Leisure Centre (selected Y6 boys)	
Thu 16 Oct	p.m.	Y6 Football Tournament @ Woking Leisure Centre (selected Y6 girls)	
Thu 16 Oct	15:30-19:30	Parents Evening Meetings NOT Year 4	
Fri 24 Oct		INSET DAY	
Mon 27 - Fri 31 Oct		HALF TERM HOLIDAY	
Wed 5 Nov		Individual & Sibling Photos DAY 1	
Thu 6 Nov	10:00 14:00 19:00	Prospective Parent Tours	
Tue 11 Nov	•	Flu Vaccinations & YR/Y6 Measurement Programme	
Wed 12 Nov		Individual & Sibling Photos DAY 2	
Wed 12 Nov		Y2 Fire of London Workshop	
Mon 17 Nov		Y5 Wonderdome Visit	
Wed 19 Nov		Y5 Birds of Prey Visit	
Thu 20 Nov		Y3 to Butser Farm	
Mon24 Nov		Y3 Romans & Celts Day	
Mon 24 Nov		Y2 Fire Service Visit	
Sat 6 Dec		School Christmas Fair	
Wed 10 Dec	10:00	Reception Christmas Production @ CoGS	
Wed 10 Dec	14:00	KS1 Christmas Production @ CoGS	
Thu 11 Dec	14:00	KS2 Christmas Production @ CoGS	
Fri 12 Dec		Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch	
Tue 16 Dec	08:45-09:30	KS2 Awards Assembly	
Wed 17 Dec	08:45-09:30	EYFS/KS1 Awards Assembly	
Thu 18 Dec	09:00	Christmas Service @ CoGS	
Fri 19 Dec	12:00	Last Day of Autumn Term	
Mon 22 Dec - Fri 2 Jan		CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY	

SPRING TERM DATES			
Mon 5 Jan		First Day of Spring Term	
Wed 28 Jan		INSET DAY	
Tue 3 Feb	15:30 - 17:30	Spring Term Parents Evenings	
Thu 5 Feb	15:30 - 19:30	Spring Term Parents Evenings	
Fri 6 Feb		Y1 to Milestones Museum	
Wed 11 Feb		Y6 Greeks Workshop	
Mon 16 - Fri 20 Feb		HALF TERM HOLIDAY	
Mon 23 Feb		Young Voices Choir to O2	
Mon 9 Mar		Y3 Elm Feet First Training	
Tue 10 Mar		Y3 Maple Feet First Training	
Wed 11 Mar		Y2 to Brooklands Museum	
Wed 18 Mar		YN & YR Little City @ CoGS	
Wed 25 Mar		Y5 Vikings Workshop	
Fri 27 Mar	12:00	Last Day of Spring Term	
Mon 30 Mar - Fri 10 Apr		EASTER HOLIDAY	

SUMMER TERM DATES		
Mon 13 Apr		First Day of Summer Term
Mon 27 - Wed 39 Apr		Y4 Hindleap Warren Residential
Mon 4 May		Bank Holiday
Thu 7 May		YR to Wellington Park
Fri 8 May		Y4 to Hampton Court
Mon 11 - Thu 14 May		Y6 SATS
Thu 21 May		Y5 to Mosque
Mon 25 - Fri 29 May		HALF TERM HOLIDAY
Wed 10 Jun		Y1 Animal Club Workshop
Sat 13 Jun		School Summer Fair
Tue 16 Jun		Y6 Leavers' Service @ Cathedral
Wed 17 Jun		EYFS Minibeast Bugfest
Thu 18 Jun		Y6 Lego Stem Workshop
Fri 19 Jun		Y5 to Wildwood
Wed 24 Jun		Y2 to The Lookout Discovery Centre
Fri 26 Jun		Y3 Outdoor Learning Activity Day
Mon 29 Jun		INSET DAY
Tue 30 Jun & Wed 1 Jul		Forest School - 1 class per day
Mon 6 - Fri 10 Jul		Y6 Osmington Bay Residential
Fri 17 Jul	12:00	Last Day of Summer Term

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

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 ... Next Year (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







VERY URGENTLY NEEDED

Long Life Fruit Juice, Adult Toothbrushes, Hot Chocolate Powder, Shaving Gel & Foam, Disposable Razors, Cooking Oil

NEEDED

Deodorant Roll On & Spray Types M&F, Cleaning Sprays, Corned Beef, Coffee, Chocolate Spread, Honey, Washing Up Liquid, Tinned Carrots, Toilet Gel & Cleaner, Instant Mashed Potatoes, Long Life Sponge Puddings, Tomato Ketchup, Peanut Butter, Jam

THEY HAVE PLENTY OF

Tea Bags, Soup, Porridge, Tinned Pulses, Cereal, Dry Pasta & Spaghetti, Baked Beans