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Pyrford C of E Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Year 2 Gardeners



Year 2 planted sunflower seeds. They will observe them closely over the next few weeks to see what they need to germinate and grow healthily.



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Headteacher's Letter

Dear Parents,

It has been a pleasure to welcome all the children back after the Easter break! I hope you were able to enjoy some special moments with your families and that everyone feels refreshed and ready for the exciting, busy term ahead.

This week in assembly, we explored the final part of the Easter story with the children. We reflected on the emotions of those involved—discovering the empty tomb, encountering angels, and witnessing Jesus' return and ascension to heaven. We spoke about the hope and joy that Christians take from this story and how its message can remind us that, even in challenging times, better days are often just around the corner.

As we begin the summer term, I'd like to take this opportunity to remind families about our school uniform expectations. Children should come to school in the correct uniform, including proper school shoes (not trainers). If your child prefers, they may bring trainers to change into once at school for playtime. Long hair should be tied back, and hair accessories should be sensible in size and preferably in school or neutral colours. We're also encouraging our junior pupils to ensure shirts are tucked in, top buttons fastened, and ties worn neatly. Thank you for your continued support with this—teachers will contact you if there are any ongoing concerns.

I also want to remind you that the **Online Safety briefing for parents**, held just before the holidays, is still available to watch (details below). This session was developed in response to feedback from our recent parent and pupil questionnaires, and it offers practical advice on the issues you highlighted. It would be a real shame to miss out on the valuable information shared.

The workshops and parent session were a significant investment for the school. If any families are in a position to make a voluntary contribution towards the cost, we would be incredibly grateful. Donations can be made via Scopay. If you know of a business that may be interested in supporting us, we would love to hear from you.

Finally, a quick note on parking: please remember that **school car parks are for staff and authorised users only**. Unfortunately, we've had instances where staff have been unable to access the spaces due to unauthorised parking. We will be issuing permits to the small number of families with permission to use the car park. Thank you for continuing to park considerately in alternative locations.

Next week sees our boys' football team head to Pirbright School for the local school finals day on Thursday; we have a wonderful Perform workshop for EYFS & KS1 taking place on Monday and I am heading to Harrogate on behalf of the Surrey branch of my union, for their annual conference on Friday.

Have a good weekend.

Mr. D



If you haven't already seen it, don't forget to watch the brilliant online safety session that Childnet provided for us last term. The session was really useful with information and ideas including: how to talk to your child and respond to pressure for online activities; parental controls on devices and privacy settings; what to do if a child has made a mistake online or has had a bad experience; where to find alternative age-appropriate games; how to support your child's emotional wellbeing in an online world; and much more. You received the link and log in details via email last term, but please don't hesitate to contact Emma Booker e.booker@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk if you are having any problems logging in or would like any further

SUMMER TERM DATES		
Mon 28 Apr		EYFS & KS1 Perform Drama Workshops
Thu 1 May	am	Y6 Boys Football Team @ Pirbright
Fri 2 May		Y5 Tudor Workshop @ RGS (Willow)
Mon 5 May		BANK HOLIDAY
Tue 6 May		Swimming lessons start
Tue 6 - Fri 16 May		Ducks in Reception
Wed 7 May		Momentum Mufti Day
Fri 9 May		YR to Godstone Farm
Tue 13 May	after school	Y3/Y4 Netball Teams @ New Haw Juniors
Fri 16 May		Y5 Tudor Workshop @ RGS (Cherry)
Mon 19 May	pm	Y3/4 Performance Technical Rehearsal
Tue 20 May	pm	Y3/4 Performance Dress Rehearsal to school
Tue 20 May	pm	North Surrey School Chess Tournament
Tue 20 May	16:00-17:00	Y3/4 Cross Country Team @ Hoe Bridge
Wed 21 May		Class Photos
Wed 21 May		Y5 Shah Jahan Mosque Visit
Wed 21 May	14:15	Y3/4 Production @ CoGS
Thu 22 May	am	YR Fire Service Visit
Thu 22 & Fri 23 May		Y3 Feet First Walking Training
Fri 23 May		National Numeracy Day - Number Mufti
Mon 26 - Fri 30 May		HALF TERM HOLIDAY
Mon 2 Jun		Class Photos
Thu 5 Jun	13:30	KS2 Author Visit
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
Thu 12 Jun		Y2 to The Lookout Discovery Centre
Fri 13 Jun	15:20-15:50	Friendly Friday - Ys 3 & 4
Tue 17 Jun		Y6 Leavers' Service @ Cathedral
Fri 20 Jun		Y4 Chinese Dragon Workshop
Fri 20 Jun	15:20-15:50	Friendly Friday - Ys 5 & 6
Mon 23 Jun	am	EYFS/KS1 Sports Day
Tue 24 Jun		Y6 Lego Stem Workshop
Wed 25 Jun	am	KS2 Sports Day
Fri 27 Jun		Y5 to Wildwood
Sat 28 Jun	13:00-15:00	PTA Summer Fair
Sat 28 Jun	18:00	Brass Concert @ CoGS



National Numeracy Day Friday 23rd May

We will be celebrating National Numeracy Day in school on Friday 23rd May - the last Friday before the half term holiday.

This will be a Mufti Day when children are invited to wear their own clothes which have a number on them.

Families are invited to use the following link to enter the National Numeracy *Number Heroes* competition for children with a chance to win a Number Heroes prize pack for the school and a £50 gift voucher.

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

SUMMER TERM DATES contd		
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

Dear all our loyal customers, parents, friends, and little adults,

At *Valentino Schoolwear* we know things continue to be very hard for many of us right now, so, once again, we're ensuring our **Annual Discount Promotion** for 2025 is *available online* and *in store* for our customers.



15% OFF All school uniform purchases: **19th – 25th May 2025**
Use discount code **SUMMER15** when you click 'View Cart'

10% OFF All school uniform purchases: **26th May – 28th May 2025**
Use discount code **SUMMER10** when you click 'View Cart'

Anything purchased during our promotion can be exchanged right up until schools open in September!

Please note that we are unable to accept returns and exchanges during our promotional dates above 19th May – 28th May 2025. Returns & exchanges are all subject to our normal returns policy. These offers are available online and in store. Not to be used in conjunction with any other offers.

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THANK YOU INNOVISION LANDSCAPE GARDENERS...

for supplying sand for the Squirrels' Nursery sandpit and putting it in!

Innovision have completed most of the outdoor area at Squirrels including the artificial turf and sandpit.

Please see their website for how they might help with your garden

<https://www.innovisionlandscapes.co.uk/>

Mufti Day

Wednesday 7th May

Donations via just giving page (details coming soon) or cash on the day

All proceeds to
Momentum Children's Charity
Helping families of seriously ill children to keep moving forward. From hospital to home, we make sure no family has to cope alone.



WOKING FAMILY CENTRE GROUPS/COURSES 2025



Play & Learn Plus in partnership with Home-Start Tuesdays weekly (Term time only) 9.45am – 11.15am Woking Family Centre, Sythwood Woking GU21 3AX	Parent Wellbeing Group in partnership with Catalyst 1 st & 3 rd Thursday of the month (Term time only) 9.15am – 10.45am Woking Family Centre, Sythwood Woking GU21 3AX Starting 6th March – 17th July 2025
Thursday Tots in partnership with Home-Start Thursdays weekly (Term time only) 10.00am – 11.30am St Mary's Centre for the Community Stream Close, Byfleet KT14 7LZ	Parenting Puzzle Friday 6 th June – 27 th June 2025 weekly (4-week course) 11.30am – 1pm Woking Family Centre, Sythwood Woking GU21 3AX
Parent drop-in In partnership with NW IFSS Every Thursday 9.30am – 4pm Woking Family Centre, Sythwood Woking GU21 3AX Starting 1st May 2025	Baby Steps Group in partnership with SMEF (Surrey Minority Ethnic Forum) Tuesday weekly 12.00pm–2.00pm (Term time only) Woking Family Centre, Sythwood Woking GU21 3AX
Keeping your child In Mind (KYCIN) Tuesday 3 rd June – Tuesday 24 th June 2025 (4-week course) 7.00pm – 8.30pm Woking Family Centre, Sythwood Woking GU21 3AX	For more information contact: Email: wokingfamilycentre@barnardos.org.uk Phone: 01483 310419

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Home-Start & Woking Family Centre

**Every Thursday
10.00am–11.30am
Term time only**

Thursday Tots at St Mary's Centre for the Community, Byfleet

Free weekly play and learn sessions for parents and carers of children aged between 0–5 years old at St Mary's Centre for the Community.

Enjoy exciting craft activities with your child and play together with toys.

There is no need to pre-book, just drop in!

Please note, if sessions are busy preference will be given to families living in Woking borough.

For more information scan the QR code or call: 01483 310419



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Home-Start & Woking Family Centre

**Tuesday's weekly
9.45am–11.15am
(Term time only)**

Play & Learn Plus For Parents & Carers*

Free sensory play & learn sessions for children (0–5 yrs) with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), pre and post diagnosis. Siblings welcome.

Sessions will provide:

- Interactive and specialist play opportunities
- Access to professional advice from Home-Start, Woking Family Centre, and partners
- Signposting to further Woking Family Centre Services and courses
- Safe space to meet other parents/carers of SEND children

* Priority will be given to families living in Woking borough

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Woking Family Centre

Every Friday - 4 weeks

**6th June– 27th June 2025
11:30 – 1pm**

The Parenting Puzzle

This tried and tested programme can help you deal with challenges supporting a calmer family life.

The course covers:

- Recognising feelings behind behaviours
- Different approaches to positive discipline
- Co-operation and self discipline
- The importance of looking after ourselves

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Parent/Carer Well-being Group
Catalyst Support & Woking Family Centre

Being a parent/carers can bring a range of emotions and challenges that can impact our mental health. Catalyst Support & Barnardo's, are running themed support sessions. Come along for a friendly chat to help build your support network, resilience and re-focus on your own mental health and well-being.

- Scan the QR code, call or email to register

Call: 01276 409 415
Text: 07919 541 424
groups.cc@catalystsupport.org.uk
catalystsupport.org.uk

1st & 3rd Thursday's of each month
9.15am-10.45am
(Term time, babies up to 3 months welcome in the group with their parents)




Working in Partnership
Woking Family Centre & North West IFSS

Every Thursday (Term Time)
1st May 2025 @ 9.30 - 4pm

Parent Drop-in

Drop-in to speak confidentially to a Family Support Worker. For support and guidance on all aspects of family life. Foodbank vouchers available on request. Domestic abuse support and guidance is also available.

For more information scan the QR code or call: 01483 310419



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Woking Family Centre

Every Tuesday - 4 weeks
3rd June- 24th June 2025
7pm - 8.30pm

Keeping Your Child In Mind

Adults working together.

A FREE programme for parents and carers focusing on relationships within the family and the influence of parental relationships on children.

The course covers:

- Self-awareness
- Appropriate expectations
- Boundaries and positive discipline
- Understanding empathy

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FREE PEER SUPPORT SESSIONS



SUPPORT GROUP FOR ETHNIC MINORITIES

Do you have a child under 3 or expecting a baby?



- Every Tuesday- Term Time from 12 - 2pm
- Give time to your body & mind
- Free fitness class, Arts, Crafts, Peer Support & Refreshments.



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Contact Sadia - 07586 680 736 or Sadia.Khan@smef.org.uk

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.

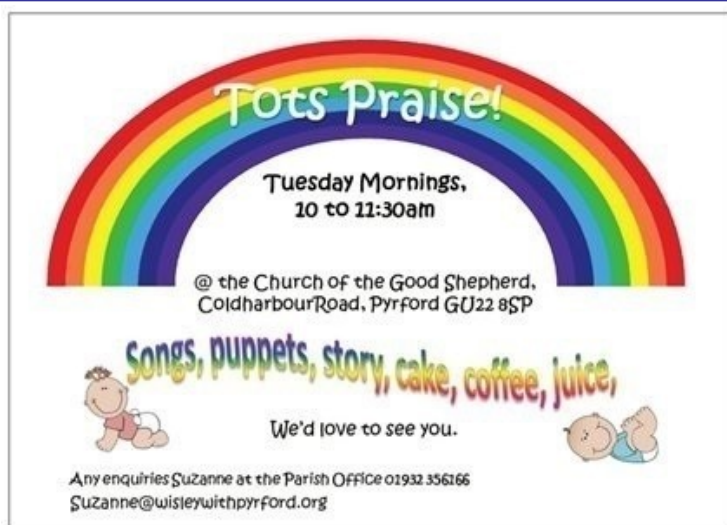
These groups are specifically for parents and carers of children who would like additional support. You will have an opportunity to exchange experiences and receive support towards managing the often complex situations you find yourselves in. This is not a parenting class, rather a non-judgemental support 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-JzvP7c1OsGi2TUbNQ9T6LXwJWQ=&u=https://www.hopeservice.org.uk/parent-and-carer-support>

Tuesday 29 April 5 - 6 pm	Keyworking Service: An opportunity to learn more about the new Keyworking Service that supports children and young people aged 5 to 25 years with an autism and/or learning disability diagnosis, and who are at risk of hospital admission or placement breakdown. Discover what support is available to young people and families living in Surrey.
Tuesday 13 May 5 - 6 pm	Trauma: What do we understand about Trauma and the impact on your young person's mental health?







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.