

17 April 2026

Pyrford C of E Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Year 2 Rocket Mice



Year 2 had great fun launching rocket mice in Science!



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Headteacher's Letter

Dear Parents,

I hope you and your families had a wonderful Easter break — it was lovely to hear about so many adventures and trips being shared at the gate this week!

We began this term with a beautifully fitting theme: **Kindness**. In our whole school assembly, I shared the much-loved story *The Giving Tree* by Shel Silverstein, and we had a wonderful discussion about how being kind is a choice we all get to make, how even the smallest acts of kindness can ripple out and make a real difference in the world, and how this connects to the commandment '*love thy neighbour*' from Mark's Gospel. One of the loveliest outcomes has been encouraging children to look around and notice the incredible people who work so hard behind the scenes here at school - our fantastic office team, our brilliant caretaker, and so many others who deserve to be celebrated. It's been heartwarming to see children beginning to recognise and appreciate them.

After a lovely, settled start to the week, things are ramping up excitingly from here! Next week we cheer on our **victorious girls' football team** as they head to the National League U11s South Finals Day on Tuesday — we are so proud of them! We also have PSHE workshops taking place toward the end of the week, a Year 5 Tudor workshop, and all the usual action-packed activities of a normal week at Pyrford. We're also thrilled to be beginning our journey with **OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning)** — watch this space over the coming weeks as we share more about this exciting project!

This term also brings some bittersweet news. After a long and remarkable career at Pyrford **Mrs Gilbey** has made the decision that this will be her final year with us. She has had a significant impact on many children and families over the years, and her warmth, dedication and passion for teaching have left a lasting mark on our school community. We are so grateful for everything she has given to Pyrford, and while we will miss her enormously, we are excited for her as she embarks on a wonderful new chapter spending more time with her family. There will be plenty of opportunity to celebrate her incredible contribution before she goes - and I know many of you will want to join us in wishing her all the very best.

On a very happy note, **Reception offer day** came and went this week, and we are absolutely delighted to share that we were oversubscribed and have offered our full complement of places for next year. What a wonderful sign of the community's confidence in our school! If you were not successful or know someone who wasn't, please don't hesitate to contact the office and check the waiting list.

Finally, a friendly reminder that we love seeing children arrive with **healthy snacks** to keep their energy going through the school day. Thank you as always for your continued support with this — it really does make a difference!

Gavin Dutton
Headteacher

Our Online Safety Policy has recently been updated and we would like to draw parents' attention to it. It can be found here [Pyrford C of E Primary School - Academy Policies](#)



Well done to Ben Lewis in Alder Class who received the Respect Award last term but whose name was not included in the list.

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

| | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| 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)

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|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 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 |

| SUMMER TERM DATES | | |
|------------------------|-------------|--|
| Fri 17 Apr | 15:30 | Relationship Education Presentation for Y4 & Y5 parents |
| Thu 23 & Fri 24 Apr | | Life Bus Workshops |
| Thu 23 Apr | 10:00-11:30 | YR Fire Service Visit |
| Thu 23 Apr | 12:30-15:30 | Y3/4 Cricket Skills Festival @ Old Woking Cricket Club (selected pupils) |
| Fri 24 Apr | | Willow Class to RGS Tudor Day |
| Mon 27 - Wed 29 Apr | | Y4 Hindleap Warren Residential |
| Fri 24 Apr | | Rowan Class to RGS Tudor Day |
| Mon 4 May | | Bank Holiday |
| Tue 5 May | | Swimming Lessons Start (YR, Y1 & Y2) |
| Thu 7 May | | Revd Nick leading assembly |
| Thu 7 May | | YR to Wellington Park |
| Fri 8 May | | Y4 to Hampton Court |
| Mon 11 - Thu 14 May | | Y6 SATS |
| Mon 18 May | am | EYFS & KS1 Sports Day |
| Tue 19 May | 13:30-16:30 | North Surrey Schools Chess Event |
| Wed 20 May | | Class Photos |
| Wed 20 May | 10:30-15:00 | Y5 Boys Cricket Competition |
| Thu 21 May | | Outdoor Learning Day |
| Thu 21 May | | Y5 to Mosque |
| Fri 22 May | am | KS2 Sports Day |
| Mon 25 - Fri 29 May | | HALF TERM HOLIDAY |
| Wed 10 Jun | | Y1 Animal Club Workshop |
| Wed 10 Jun | 10:30-15:00 | Y5&Y6 Girls Cricket Competition |
| Thu 11 Jun | | International Day of Play |
| 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 |
| Sat 20 Jun | evening | Y4 Brass Concert @ CoGS |
| Wed 24 Jun | | Y2 to The Lookout Discovery Centre |
| Wed 24 Jun | | Nursery Class Photo |
| Thu 25 Jun | | Y6 Health Use of Technology Workshops |
| 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 |
| Thu 9 Jul | | Revd Nick leading assembly |
| Thu 16 Jul | 09:00 | Leavers Service @ CoGS |
| Fri 17 Jul | 12:00 | Last Day of Summer Term |

REMINDERS

- Consent for Wellington Park (YR) is due today
- Consent for Hampton Court (Y4) is due by 24th April
- Breakfast Club & Treetops accounts not brought up to date by the end of half term will have a late payment fee added



Woking Family Centre
Wednesdays - 4 weeks
7pm - 8pm
15th April - 6th May 2026

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



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Tuesday 26th May - Fri 29th May



Open House
Come and encounter God's presence with us.
3rd Sunday, 7.30-9pm (refreshments from 7.15)
Informal worship, bible teaching, time...
Church of the Good Shepherd, Pyrford.



GIRLS FOOTBALL COURSE MAY HALF TERM 2026

Tuesday 26th May

Venue:- Abbey Rangers Football Club (KT15 2QH)
Times:- 8.30am – 4.00pm
£35.00 Daily

Designed for girls of *all abilities* aged between 5yrs to 13yrs!

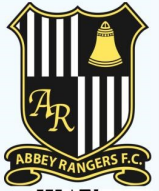


- Playing in a fun, challenging & safe environment.
- Meeting new friends that have an interest in football.
- Develop technique, speed, tactics & improve skills & confidence.
- Professional FA qualified coaching.
- 3G Pitch and use of clubhouse.

If you would like further information or would like to book a place for your daughter to attend please kindly contact Tom on 07825 089500 or email tom@tasportscoaching.co.uk



BOYS FOOTBALL 2 Day May Camp 2026



WHAT?

Technical development/1st touch/receiving the ball.

Team games / combinations / 3v3, Defensive techniques and understanding.

Finishing & 4 aside transitions – attacking and defending.

WHERE?

3G Pitch
ABBEY RANGERS FC
Addlestone
KT15 2QH



WHEN?

Wednesday 27th May
Thursday 28th May
(8.30am – 4.00pm)



AGE?

Under 5 (Reception)
Under 6 (Year 1)
Under 7 (Year 2)
Under 8 (Year 3)
Under 9 (Year 4)
Under 10 (Year 5)



DAILY COST?

£35.00

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WOKING TOWN FC OPEN DAYS!

**18th April
& 2nd May**



U5-U9 (YEARS R-4) 10am - 11am

U10-U18 (YEARS 5 - 13) 11am - 12pm

EASTWOOD LEISURE CENTRE
(ALBERT DRIVE, SHEERWATER, GU21 5RF)

BOYS & GIRLS WELCOME

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- FA accredited
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Tue 14 April or Tue 21 April
9:30am-1:00pm



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1-5 Church Street West,
Woking,
GU21 6DJ

Tue 14 April or Tue 21 April
9:30am-1:00pm

A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN



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)

APRIL

Friday 17th April 6:30pm-7:45pm
@ the church of the good shepherd

MAY

Friday 1st May 6:30pm-7:45pm
@ the church of the good shepherd

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

JUNE

Friday 12th June 6:30pm-7:45pm
@ the church of the good shepherd

Friday 26th June 6:30pm-7:45pm
@ the church of the good shepherd