

Pyrford Church of England Primary School

School Newsletter

29 January 2016



Good morning.

Well you should certainly have seen changes this week. Finally the school build has started. Once the full compound is in place during the next week or so then we will have established new routines in the school. The children have been fantastic and have adapted so well to all the changes happening. We have met with the contractors who are planning some opportunities for the children to really engage with the build process.

As an aside to the build, I would just like to remind the school community about being courteous and respectful to those who live near the school. We are keen to be a good neighbour but know that some residents in Peatmore Avenue are unhappy with parking there. Whilst advice from both the local police and Woking Borough Council highlights the fact that it is not illegal to park on a public road, we wish to encourage staff and parents to be mindful of our neighbours.

Today Year One has excitedly set off to visit the Queen - or rather they are desperately hoping that the Queen will make an appearance at Windsor Castle. Please see next week's newsletter for an update of how their visit went.

This week, one of our governors conducted a learning walk to see how we are teaching PE in the school and to see the impact of the sports premium money which the school receives. This year, we have invested in some specialist PE teachers whom no doubt your children will have told you about. Our specialist PE teachers provide sports coaching for a number of sports taught to the children during PE lessons and before and after school.

We worked with colleagues from Christ College which was very beneficial for staff this week. Primary and secondary teachers were able to work together to discuss how best to support and challenge children's learning as well as moderate pieces of work.

Next week is due to be another busy one with more changes on the building site. To help ease congestion on the school site, staff will be monitoring the gates in the mornings which will enable parents to 'kiss and drop' should you wish. We will ensure that your children move to their class quickly and safely. Parents are of course still welcome to bring their child in directly should they still wish to do so. The gates will be opened at 8.35am and classroom doors will open at 8.40am, so that children can go straight into class. Please could parents help us by ensuring that children are in class by 8.50am. We will be closing gates promptly at 8.55am to ensure that the school site is locked and safe.

We will endeavour to keep you up to date with what is going on in the newsletter and on our Facebook page. Thank you for bearing with us. If you have any suggestions, comments or issues with the drop off and pick up, please do email the school. Peter Jones, our site manager, is happy to be contacted directly if you have questions or concerns regarding anything to do with the build. Please telephone 07785460351

Best wishes for a good weekend.

Kathryn Krynicki
Headteacher



AFTER SCHOOL CLUB STAFF MEMBER REQUIRED

- 3 afternoons (Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday)
 - 3:15 - 6:15pm (9hrs per week)
 - Term time only
 - Salary FTE £15,156
 - Actual £3,147 per annum

Please contact Mrs McAllister for further
details / application form
info@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk

Congratulations to the Golden Book Winners
Week beginning 25th January

Hazel - Freya Andrews for super writing about the Big Bad Wolf.

Beech - Lexie Lorch for being a superstar writer!

Chestnut - Dashiell Oliver-Watts for super work in maths and reading.

Oak - Leo Snelgrove for great reading.

Pine - Izzy Lever for fab writing.

Hawthorn - Alexander Sutherland for always trying his best.

Cedar - Ollie Neenan for brilliant maths work, bridging through a tens number.

Elm - Lilly Staton for writing an excellent 'no word of a lie' poem.

Juniper - Annabelle Dodd for excellent written poems and reciting a poem.

Maple - Aminah Ali for writing an excellent 'no word of a lie' poem neatly and illustrating it so well.

Larch - Edward Peasey for an excellent informal letter as a character from a story.

Birch - Larissa Johnston for excellent literacy work.

Rowan - Oscar Balsdon for super work on the Mayan number system in Topic.

Willow - Christopher Batten for a beautiful illustration of the Mayan number system.

Laurel - Haseeb Hussain for a fantastic poem written from two perspectives.

Holly - Molly Alexander for a fantastic poem about Odysseus' adventures in the Land of the Dead.



Pyrford pupils had an amazing time singing in the Young Voices Choir at the O2 on Wednesday evening.

NEW BUILD



Saturday - and vehicles start to arrive on site. The first job is to make an entrance off Coldharbour Road.

By Thursday, the fencing is up at the end of the playground and the new car park spaces are fenced off around the back of the school.



MUFTI DAY

Thursday's mufti day was an introduction to the new build for the children. This is the focus for SMSC as we feel it is important for them to understand the changes that are happening and the benefits for them in the future.

Wearing mufti and bringing in a donation helps the children contribute to the new build. Over £450 was raised for the fundraising appeal and we will share with the children how it is spent.

If you would like to make a donation to the fundraising campaign, the donation form is on the school website (New Build page) and available from the office.



Removal of a diseased tree half way down the junior block allows for construction of a disabled / buggy friendly ramp to ease access to the infant classrooms and to comply with Disability Discrimination Act legislation.

OFFER FOR PARENTS



For each booking of parties of 10 or more, The New Haweli will donate 10% of the total bill to the school's fundraising pot. Just confirm when booking that you are a parent from the school.

This offer is not just for visitors to the restaurant, but can include home deliveries and private functions, for which they can provide full catering services.


SCHOOL DATES FOR 2015—2016 ACADEMIC YEAR

Changes and additions are in **bold**

| Description | Date | Time |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Yr 6 Bikeability Course - Week 1 | 1 - 5 February | |
| Assessment Week | 1 - 5 February | |
| Yr 6 Bikeability Course - Week 2 | 8 - 12 February | |
| Yr 5 to Christ's College - 'Phantom of the Opera' | Tue 9 February | |
| Yr 4 Anglo Saxons workshop | Fri 12 February | |
| Yr 3 Special Assembly | Fri 12 February | 14:00 |
| PTA Cake Bake | Fri 12 February | |
| Spring Half term | 15 - 19 February | |
| Yr 6 Greeks Play in a Day | Thu 25 February | |
| Yr 5 to Warner Bros Harry Potter Studio Tour | Fri 26 February | |
| Yr R & KS1 Perform drama workshops | Wed 2 March | |
| Yr 4 Special Assembly | Thu 3 March | 14:00 |
| Spring Parents Meeting | Tue 8 March | 15:30 - 17:30 |
| Spring Parents Meeting | Thu 10 March | 15:30 - 19:30 |
| Friends Quiz Night | Fri 11 March | |
| Primary Cross Country Champs at Reigate | Sat 12 March | |
| Yr 2 to Brooklands Museum | Thu 17 March | |
| SEN Parents Meetings | Thu 17 March | |
| Reception to Ladyland Farm | Fri 18 March | |
| Yr 6 to Junior Citizen | Fri 18 March | |
| Yr 5 Residential to Fairthorne Manor | Mon 21 - Thu 24 March | |
| Yr 1 Special Assembly | Tue 22 March | 14:00 |
| School Easter Service at CoGS | Thu 24 March | 09:30 |
| Last Day of Spring Term | Thu 24 March | finish at 13:30 |
| Easter Holidays | 25 March—10 April | |
| INSET Day | Mon 11 April | |
| First Day of Summer Term | Tue 12 April | |
| Yr 4 Residential to Hindleap Warren | 18 - 20 April | |
| Yr 4 Rainforest Roadshow | Thu 21 April | |
| Yr 3 class Residential to High Ashurst | Mon 25 April | |
| Yr 3 class Residential to High Ashurst | Tue 26 April | |
| Yr 3 class Residential to High Ashurst | Wed 27 April | |
| Yr 5 Special Assembly | Fri 29 April | 14:00 |
| May Bank Holiday | Mon 2 May | |
| Yr 5 to Shah Jahan Mosque | Wed 4 May | |
| SATs Week | 9 - 13 May | |
| Yr R Special Assembly | Thu 19 May | 14:00 |
| Assessment Week | 23 - 26 May | |
| Yr 3 class to Henley Fort | Mon 23 May | |
| Yr 3 class to Henley Fort | Tue 24 May | |
| Yr 3 class to Henley Fort | Wed 25 May | |
| INSET Day | Fri 27 May | |
| Summer Half term | 30 May - 3 June | |
| INSET Day | Mon 6 June | |
| Yr 2 to Alice Holt | Thu 16 June | |

| <i>Diary Dates continued...</i> | | |
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| Summer Book Fayre | Fri 17 June | |
| Yr 6 Residential to Osmington Bay | 20—24 June | |
| Yr 1 to Chessington Zoo | Thu 23 June | |
| Yr 2 Special Assembly | Fri 24 June | 14:00 |
| Yr 6 Leavers' Service at Guildford Cathedral | Mon 27 June | 12:30 - 14:00 |
| Yr 2 class Pedals Course | Thu 30 June | |
| Yr 2 class Pedals Course | Fri 1 July | |
| Yr 5 Away Day @ Fullbrook | Wed 13 July | |
| Yr 6 Special Assembly | Fri 15 July | 14:00 |
| School End of Year Service at CoGS | Fri 22 July | 09:30 |
| Last Day of Summer Term | Fri 22 July | finish at 13:30 |

| 2016/17 Term Dates & INSETs | |
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| INSET DAY | Monday 5 September |
| INSET DAY | Tuesday 6 September |
| INSET DAY | Wednesday 7 September |
| First day of Autumn term | Thursday 8 September |
| Autumn Half term | 24 - 28 October |
| Last day of Autumn term | Wednesday 21 December |
| Christmas Holidays | 22 December - 2 January |
| INSET DAY | Tuesday 3 January |
| First day of Spring term | Wednesday 4 January |
| Spring Half Term | 13 - 17 February |
| Last day of Spring term | Friday 31 March |
| Easter Holidays | 3 - 17 April |
| First Day of Summer term | Tuesday 18 April |
| Summer Half term | 29 May - 2 June |
| INSET | Monday 5 June |
| Last Day of Summer Term | Friday 21 July |



New menus for the second half of term will be sent home on Monday. Please can parents make their choices with their child as there have been a number of children disappointed by their selection!



Surrey Youth Training Choir is a brand new choir for boys and girls aged 9 to 13 years who enjoy singing. Led by experienced vocal coaches, the choir offers a fun introduction to choral music. As well as making new friends and having fun, you will also learn about reading music and singing in harmony. No audition necessary and no previous musical or singing experience required.

FIRST TERM FREE!
then £49 per term

The choir starts on Wednesday 6 January 2016.

Call now to book your FREE term! 01483 519307

Wednesdays (term time only) starting 6 January 2016
6:45-8:15pm @ The Marist School, Old Woking Road
West Byfleet, KT14 6HS
surreyartsmusic@surreycc.gov.uk
www.surreycc.gov.uk/music



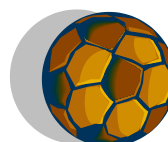
MISSING FOOTBALL BOOTS



These almost brand new football boots went missing at school on Monday. Please could you check your child's PE kit to see if they've been put into the wrong bag by mistake? If you come across them, please bring them to the office.

Thank you.

FOOTBALL RESULTS



Last week Year 6 played Sythwood and drew 1-1. Lorenzo Vanotti scored for Pyrford.

This week Year 5 played Sythwood and won 7-3! Ryan Duchnowski and Finley Chandler scored one each and Bobby Lockwood-Cowell scored 5!

Friends Quiz Night

Prizes!

Raffle!

When: Friday 11th March

Time: Doors 7.30pm for 8pm Start

Where: Infant Hall

Entry Cost: £10 per team player
(Max 8 per team)

New for 2016: Reasonably priced
licensed bar with glasses provided



Ultimate brain food! Fish and chips delivered to your table included in the price. Please note you won't be able to bring your own drinks this year.

How to Enter:

1. Enter the name of your team members and team name on the form below.
2. Return the entry form with payments for entry including fish and chips in an envelope marked **QUIZ NIGHT** to the **FRIENDS** post box in the school reception area. One cheque per team please made payable to **F.P.P.S.**
3. If you don't have a team but would like to come we will fix you up with another team.
4. The closing dates for entries is 4th March 2016, space is limited and tickets sell out very fast!
5. Confirmation will be sent to your team leader.

Friends Quiz Night Booking Form 11th March 2016

Team Name: _____
Team Leader: _____
Email: _____
Child's Name/Class: _____

Team Members:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____

We enclose £..... (£80 team entry).

Please put this form, along with payment (cheque made payable to Friends of Pyrford Primary School), in the Friends box located by the school office.

Thank you in advance.....Any queries please speak to Alex Elbourn, (Alex.Elbourn@outlook.com), or Lynne Broadhead, (Lynne_Broadhead@hotmail.co.uk)



Friends of Pyrford
Primary School

FRIENDS OF PYRFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

www.fpps.org.uk



cake bake

FRIDAY 12th FEBRUARY

Please bake / buy some lovely NUT FREE cakes, pop them on the paper plate (which is being sent home with your child next week) and bring into school at drop off on Friday 12th.

One plate per family please.

Children - bring **50p** to buy a cake at break time .

Cakes will also be on sale after school.

If your child has a nut allergy, might we suggest that they bring in a cake for themselves and hand to the teacher, as one child had a nasty reaction after eating a cake last time.

Isobel Berry in Rowan Class is swimming 2.5km on Saturday with half the money raised going to the school. Good luck Isobel! If you would like to sponsor her please visit her page.

<https://crowdfunding.justgiving.com/isobel-berry>.



FUNDRAISING GOLF DAY - Friday 6th May

Richard Bohan is organising the Golf Day this year on Friday 6th May. It will be bacon rolls and coffee followed by 18 holes and usual nearest the pin and longest drive.

This event is open to men and women and you don't have to be a parent at the school so do invite your golfing buddies to join you.

It will be confirmed where it is to be held but Richard asks please that you contact him if you are interested.



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