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Pyrford C of E Primary School Weekly Newsletter



Year 4 Animal Invasion!



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Head's Letter

Dear Parents and Carers,

I'll get the least positive, but equally important, matter out of the way first. It seems that some drivers, who are dropping children off at school in the morning, have taken to parking on the grass verge and pavements on the opposite side of Coldharbour Road (see photo). Please can I ask that any parents and carers dropping off or collecting children from the school do not drive up over curbs as this has posed a hazard to road users in the past - thank you.



In more exciting news, 5 duck eggs were delivered to Reception this week, and all 5 hatched overnight! All ducklings are doing well and the children have been able to watch as they dry out and gain energy day by day. These ducklings have been funded by our exceptional PTA, and will be carefully looked after throughout their stay with us.

I would like to make you aware of a new area on our Maths page of the school website, where you will find videos, made by the teachers, explaining how various mathematical concepts and methods are taught at Pyrford Primary. If, like me, you were taught a different way when you were at school, you may find these videos useful when supporting your child at home.

On Wednesday, I had the privilege of spending some time in Year 4's rainforest workshop, learning all about how terrapins can breathe underwater through their bottoms...! Great guest speaker - full of interesting and fun facts. It has also been lovely to hear Year 4 rehearsing their production of The 3 Little Pigs musical, to be performed in the Church of the Good Shepherd on Wednesday 22nd May.

I hope that many of you are able to make it to the Year 5 & 6 Friendly Friday today - I'm sure the work you'll see will make you proud!

Kind regards,

Pete

Pete Wright

Head of School



Back to Tudor Times with Year 5





Golden Book Awards

N SQUIRRELS

Orson Patel. Every morning, the children self-register in Squirrels. They find their name card and put it in the box. Orson can recognise the initial letter of his name and can also write the letter O. Well done Orson!

R HAZEL

Billy Sawbridge-Tookey for always trying his best with everything he does. He sits quietly on the carpet, always waits his turn and is a good helper at tidy up time. We are so proud of you Billy!

1 PINE

Edward Bligh for wowing us all with his amazing animal knowledge. He has been sharing lots of incredible facts about the different animals we have been learning about.

2 HAWTHORN

Oscar Hills for working so well in a group to create a natural sculpture in the style of Andy Goldsworthy. He is such a kind and thoughtful friend to everyone he works with. Well done Oscar!

3 MAPLE

Teddy Humphreys. In Art we have been doing close observational sketches of tomato plants. Teddy looked carefully and really tried to draw what he could see. We then challenged everyone to paint a picture of the whole life cycle of a tomato plant in the style of Maria Sybilla Merian. Teddy's painting shows lots of detail and looks great.

4 BIRCH

Subhaan Zaman for his incredible hand-eye coordination during our cricket lesson. He was able to field successfully by catching others out and was able to hit the ball very far so that he could score as many runs as possible. It was a pleasure to watch him work so well in a team. Well done!

5 ROWAN

Immy Fitch for working hard in our Science lessons. Immy has a fantastic work ethic and this has been reflected in her recent Science lesson on life cycles.

6 HOLLY

Alex Parsons for working so well in the electricity workshop with Dr M, investigating circuits with his partner, being curious and asking thoughtful questions. He then wrote an experiment to test his hypothesis about making bulbs brighter using the knowledge and skills he learned. Well done Alex - great work!

R BEECH

Eddie Rochford for a fantastic entry in our duck diary. Eddie is very excited about the ducklings! (We all are!)

1 OAK

Arabella Fitch for marvellous Maths. Arabella is so interested and always joins in with her clever answers and explanations.

2 CEDAR

William Clements. Year 2 have been story writing and William wrote a fantastic story, making sure to include all of the writing features we have learned so far. He even tried some joined up handwriting. Well done William!

3 ELM

Louis Pitts. We have been writing persuasive letters pretending that we are Anna Atkins, the famous Victorian scientist, and arguing that we should be allowed to join the Royal Society. Louis wrote a fantastic letter using flattery and persuasion, and setting out excellent reasons for Anna to become a member. Great work Louis!

4 ALDER

Ben Grimshaw for his wonderful enthusiasm for our Science topic about living things. He has shown great interest and has shared his knowledge and experiences of animals. Well done Ben!

4 LARCH

Beau Brown for her excellent string collagraph print of a leaf. She used the positive and negative space extremely well and her simple leaf design was incredibly effective. Well done Beau!

5 WILLOW

Ben Osborne-Jones for his wonderful work in English. He has been very invested in our class text, *Treason*, and has written a balanced and well-thought-out argument about whether our protagonist should leave Hampton Court Palace to save his father. Ben contributed lots of interesting facts about the Tudors during lessons and was an asset on our trip to Hampton Court last Friday. Keep up the good work Ben!

6 LAUREL

Ellie Rowlands for her writing in English for our *Stormbreaker* fiction text in English. Ellie created a fabulous new gadget for Alex Rider - teenage spy - and planned an excellent persuasive text for the new spy gadget. Well done Ellie, keep up the great writing!

SUMMER TERM DATES		
Fri 10 May	15:15-15:45	Y5 & Y6 Friendly Friday
Mon 13 - Thu 16 May		KS2 SATS
Tue 14 May	16:00	Trigolf @St Dunstan's (invited pupils)
Fri 17 May	18:30	PTA Cupcake Decorating Course
Mon 20 May		Class Photos
Mon 20 May	15:45	Hockey @ Charterhouse School (selected KS2 pupils)
Tue 21 May	16:00	Cross Country @ Pirbright School
Wed 22 May		Nursery Photos
Wed 22 May		Numeracy Mufti Day
Wed 22 May	14:00	Y3&4 Production @ CoGS
Wed 22 May	15:20	Gardening Club Plant Sale
Thu 23 May	15:30	Y6 Girls Football @ The Marist (selected pupils)
Mon 27 - Fri 31 May		HALF TERM HOLIDAY
Thu 6 / Fri 7 Jun		YR Measurement Programme
Sat 8 Jun	14:00-16:00	School Summer Fair
Tue 11 Jun		Y6 Measurement Programme
Wed 12 Jun		District Sports
Fri 14 Jun		Y5 to Wildwood
Fri 14 Jun	pm	EYFS/KS1 FUDGs event
Tue 18 Jun		Y6 Leavers' Service @ Cathedral
Wed 19 Jun		EYFS Minibeast Workshop
Wed 19 Jun		Y6 Lego STEM Workshop
Thu 20 Jun		District Sports
Fri 21 Jun		Y4 Chinese Dragon Workshop
Fri 21 Jun	15:15-15:45	Transition Y3 & Y4 classes open
Sat 22 Jun	Evening	Brass Concert @ CoGS
Mon 24 Jun	am	KS2 Sports Day
Tue 25 Jun	am	EYFS/KS1 Sports Day
Tue 25 Jun		Winston Churchill Primary Choirs Day - Y4-6 choir
Wed 26 Jun		Y2 to Lookout Discovery Centre
Thu 27 Jun		SEND Fullbrook Transition Day
Fri 28 Jun		Y3 Activity Day
Fri 28 Jun	15:15-15:45	Transition Y1 & Y2 classes open
Mon 1 Jul	08:45	KS2 Termly Awards
Tue 2 / Wed 3 Jul		Secondary Transition Days
Wed 3 Jul		Transition Day
Fri 5 Jul	15:15-15:45	Transition Y5 & Y6 classes open

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You can help us raise funds by recycling your ink cartridges. Please bring to the school office. We cannot take toner and laser cartridges.

PLAY & LEARN PLUS FOR PARENTS & CARERS*



Free sensory play and learning sessions for children (0-5 years) with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), pre and post diagnosis. Siblings welcome.

Sessions are at year round and will provide:

- Interactive and specialist play opportunities
- Access to professional advice from Woking Family Centres, Homestart and partners
- Signposting to further Woking Family Centres Services
- Safe space to meet other parents and carers of SEND children.



* Priority will be given to families living in Woking borough.



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Register your interest with us on email familycentres@woking.gov.uk or call 01483 743 812



NATIONAL NUMERACY DAY Wednesday 22nd May

We are inviting children to attend school in mufti - anything with a number on it!

We are inviting children to enter a Number Heroes Competition with the chance of winning a prize pack for the school worth £1000 and a £50 gift voucher for the child!

They have to create a picture of how they will use numbers in their dream job or hobby.

Follow this link to enter - the competition is open until 31st May.

<https://www.nationalnumeracy.org.uk/number-heroes-competition>



SUMMER TERM DATES contd		
Mon 8 Jul	08:45	YR/KS1 Termly Awards
Mon 8 & Tue 9 Jul	09:30-11:30	Y1 Forest School (1 class each day)
Mon 8 - Fri 12 Jul		Y6 Osmington Bay Residential
Mon 8 Jul	Morning	Y5 Fullbrook Away Day
Mon 8 Jul		Winston Churchill Primary Music Day - selected Y4 instrumentalists
Tue 9 Jul	10:30-13:30	Woking Park Singing Picnic - choir
Mon 22 Jul	09:00	Leavers' Service @ CoGS
Tue 23 Jul	12:00	Last Day of Summer Term

Pyrford Primary School Gardening Club is hosting a



PLANT SALE

WHEN? Wednesday 22 May after school (approx 3:20pm)

WHERE? In front of the school environmental garden

WHAT? Plants! Veg, herbs, flowers and some houseplants including:

Different varieties of Squash, giant pumpkins, courgettes, French beans,

Courgettes, 5 tomato varieties, peas, basil, parsley and coriander.

As well as.. French marigolds, cosmos, zinnia hollyhock, cleome, sweet peas, echinacea, monarda, echinops, aeonium, tradescantia and maybe more!

Come and grab yourself a plant bargain – if you have any spare plants you'd like to donate to the sale they would also be very welcome. pamelarutherford215@hotmail.com

All proceeds to the PTA

JOB VACANCY

The School based Immunisation Team are currently recruiting for some additional administrative support from September to December during the busy Flu season. This is a perfect role for parents looking for a temporary role to earn some extra money for Christmas and to fit around school hours (9am to 2pm) See details below - closing date is 16th May

Would you like some extra income while contributing to our community?

Join our team for a 14-week mission as a Flu Immunisation Administrator (£23,575 per annum pro rata).

We are looking for enthusiastic individuals to work within our school-based immunisation team, based at locations across the North-West of Surrey, to support with the delivery of the school based 2024 flu vaccination programme.

Please apply via NHS jobs at the following link: <https://beta.jobs.nhs.uk/candidate/jobadvert/B9074-24-0116>



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SUMMER FAIR

SATURDAY 8TH JUNE
2-4PM

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PYRFORD VILLAGE HALL
 10-11am Wednesday
 29 May 2024

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PYRFORD & WISLEY VILLAGE SHOW VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Saturday 13th July 2024 & Sunday 14th July 2024

The Village show Committee is looking for Volunteers! Are you able to help Set up, or throughout the day, or just for the Evening? We are also looking for Volunteers for the Sunday to clear up!

Can you spare an hour or two to help out at our hugely successful village show!

Scan the QR Code, fill out the form on the website or email Devon devoncouttd01@gmail.com
www.pyrfordvillageshow.com/contact-us



GIRLS FOOTBALL COURSE MAY HALF TERM 2024

Tuesday 28th May
Wednesday 29th May

Venue:- Abbey Rangers Football Club (KT15 2QH)
Times:- 8.30am – 4.00pm
£28.00 Daily / £55.00 Two Day

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



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Term Dates 2024/25

Monday 2nd & Tuesday 3rd September	INSET DAYS
Wednesday 4th September	Term starts for children
Friday 25th October	INSET DAY
Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November	HALF TERM
Friday 20th December	Term ends at 12:00
Monday 6th January	First day of term
Wednesday 29th January	INSET DAY
Monday 17th - Friday 21st February	HALF TERM
Friday 4th April	Term ends at 12:00
Tuesday 22nd April	First day of term
Monday 5th May	BANK HOLIDAY
Monday 26th - Friday 30th May	HALF TERM
Monday 30th June	INSET DAY
Friday 18th July	Term ends at 12:00

For Carers and little ones.
Toys, Refreshments, Craft, Chat.

PYRFORD TOTS STAY & PLAY

Wednesdays
(Term Time)
10:30am – 12noon

At the Church of the Good Shepherd Hall, Pyrford GU22 8SP
£2 donation per family



Tots Praise!

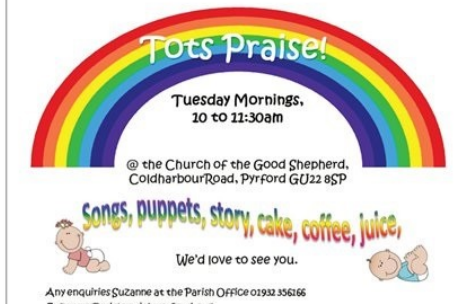
Tuesday Mornings, 10 to 11:30am

@ the Church of the Good Shepherd, Coldharbour Road, Pyrford GU22 8SP

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1st Wednesday of each month
0930-1130

2024 dates: 3 Jan, 7 Feb, 6 Mar, 3 Apr, 1 May, 5 Jun, 3 Jul, 7 Aug, 4 Sep, 2 Oct, 6 Nov, 4 Dec

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