Pyrford C of E Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Reception Farmers!



















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Head's Letter

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to start by saying a big well done to Year 2 for taking part in their optional SATs tests this week. The children answered questions and solved problems to the best of their ability. Year 6 also put their all into their KS2 SATs and were a credit to themselves and the school. We hope they have a lovely day today, unwinding and having fun.

I want to update you on my contact with Cllr Liz Bowes about the traffic and parking on Coldharbour Road. She is acutely aware of our concerns and will be working with me to find ways to keep our children safe.

You'll see below details of class photos happening on Monday. We really hope the weather is on our side so that we can have a nicer backdrop than the gym equipment in the hall! We are negotiating about the Wednesday photography for Squirrels (and any classes we don't get photographed on Monday) as it's our National Numeracy Day Mufti, when the children will be wearing something with a number on it. We will keep you posted.

The usual sporting endeavours continue next week with a hockey tournament, chess competition, cross country event and Year 6 girls' football. Good luck to all taking part.

Rehearsals continue apace for the Year 3/4 production next Wednesday afternoon in the church. I hope to see you there - from what I have seen and heard so far, you are in for a real treat.

Also on Wednesday, don't forget to head over to the environmental garden and pick up a bargain in the Gardening Club Plant Sale.

Huge thanks to our PTA for running another Ice Cream Sale after school today - and a special thank you to Mel Sawbridge-Tookey for leading a cupcake decorating course this evening to raise even more money.

Have an enjoyable weekend.

Kind regards,

Pete

Pete Wright

Head of School

SAFEGUARDING

Should you have any concerns about a child in school, please speak to our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) Mr Wright or his deputies Mrs Bourne, Mrs Leahy, Mrs Newman and Mrs Vymetal. Their email address is dsl@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk

If they are not contactable and you are concerned about the safety of a child or young person, you should contact the Surrey Children's Single Point of Access (C-SPA) 0300 470 9100 or 01483 517898 (out of hours hosted by the emergency duty team)

cspa@surreycc.gov.uk











Mrs Leahy Mrs Newman

Mrs Vymetal

Class Photos

We aim to get all classes photographed this Monday, 20th May. Please can all children wear full, smart uniform and smart school shoes. Reception & KS1 should wear/bring a jumper or cardigan.

Children in Years 2 & 3 and those taking part in the hockey tournament after school should come to school in uniform and bring their PE kit to change in to later.

Fox Rescue, by Caitlin Hunter

At the end of Gardening Club after school on Wednesday, my friend and I were hiding from her dad, because she didn't want to go home. We hid at the back of the environmental garden, near the metal war shed, beside the Church of the Good Shepherd car park.

Then I spotted a fox at the fence. It was between the church car park and the environmental garden. I went closer to the fox, but it didn't run away. This was weird, as foxes usually run away when they see people. I realised that he was stuck, with his head trapped in the fence.

I asked my friend to get my dad. After looking at the fox he got some secateurs from Pam to try to cut the fence around his head. But the fox was feisty, so my dad couldn't get close enough to cut the fence around his neck.

So my dad called Wildlife Aid. They are a charity based in Leatherhead and they help to rescue wild animals. (www.wildlifeaid.org.uk) I waited with the fox while my dad spoke to them. They sent a lovely lady called Pat over to try to help. Pat arrived with a small film crew, as the BBC is working with Wildlife Aid to make a documentary about animal rescues. They hope to broadcast it on BBC2 early next year. The presenter was someone called Joanna Page. I didn't know who she was, but my dad got very excited because she is one of the stars of a TV programme called Gavin and Stacey.

Pat was able to carefully cut around the fox's head to release it, then put it in a cage to take back to the Wildlife Aid animal hospital for a check-up.

Later that evening Pat called my dad. She said the fox was a female, probably only 4-6 weeks old. She was a little dehydrated and hungry, but otherwise fine. They wanted to keep her in for the night, but release her back into the environmental garden the next night, so that she could return to her family.

So on Thursday evening Pat, Joanna and the camera crew came back to the garden, with the fox looking clean and healthy. They opened the cage and the fox sprinted away into the garden, and through a hole in the fence, back to her den.

My dad has asked me about the moral of the story. It was very lucky that we went to the back corner of the environmental garden at the end of Gardening Club, as otherwise the trapped fox might not have been found. We only went there because my friend was trying to hide from her dad, to avoid going home. So perhaps the moral of the story is that sometimes it's good to be a little bit naughty?







TEAM WOKING

3 Weeks of FREE training left, progression pathways an event day + free t-shirt on the 15th of June at Surrey Sports Park

SWIMMING

BOY'S JUDO

GIRLS JUDO

ROW BIKE RUN

BOY'S BASKETBALL

GIRL'S BASKETBALL

GIRLS TOUCH RUGBY

TENNIS



FREE

FOR

YOUR

CHILD

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE SUNDAY THE 19th OF MAY

Sign up with the QR Code below or visit

https://www.activesurrey.com/SYG







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-heroescompetition

We took a group of 8 children to take part in a tri golf competition at St Dunstans. The children did so well. For most of them it was their first time

playing tri golf and they loved all the different activities. Definitely something we will look to try back at Pyrford.











Our wellbeing team met last Friday to look at some of the data we have collected as part of our involvement in the SAMHE project, monitoring indoor air quality in schools across the UK.

We talked about indoor air quality and how clean air is important for concentration and learning, as well as for health and wellbeing.

We were delighted to accept a donation of two SA600 air filters and would like to thank the Corsi-Rosenthall Foundation very much for these. We look forward to using them in our school.

If you or your company would be interested in donating an air filter to further improve our indoor environment, then please do let us know.

https://corsirosenthalfoundation.org





Golden Book Awards

N SQUIRRELS

Salsabeel Mushtaq. Salsabeel spent a long time building with Husniya Hussain for playing with the boom whackers so was a house. Well done Salsabeel!

R HAZEL

Riley Brien. Riley has done so much work this week that we Mayra Lakhwani for excellent computing skills. Well done Mayra! aren't able to share it all. He did fabulous independent writing about our trip to the farm and carefully drew a duckling, remembering to include all the features. Well done Riley!

1 PINE

Samuel Potter for brilliant writing about Leaf. Samuel wrote Sophie Litston. In Music this half term, Year 2 have been learning some fantastic adjectives.

2 HAWTHORN

Amal-Khadija Ali. We have set up a Science investigation to Mustafa Ali. This week we have been learning about capacity and pictures to show what has happened to the seeds. Her own tricky challenges. Great work Mustafa! seed has grown particularly tall. Well done Amal, great science!

3 MAPLE

Amy, keep up the good work.

4 BIRCH

Maisy Campbell-Wild for her excellent collagraph print collage Ayesha Akram for her excellent work in RE. She understood the detail that she included. Well done Maisy - you have created a naming ceremonies. fantastic piece of art!

5 ROWAN

our DT project. Adriana has produced some pleasing ideas and complementary flavours. Well done Adriana - we can't wait to see the finished product!

6 HOLLY

areas with Alaska. Great work - well done!

R BEECH

the bricks. She made different arrangements and her favourite amazingly. She explored the instruments in her play, tapping a beat and exploring the pitch of the different lengths. Great job

1 OAK

2 CEDAR

to play the recorder. Sophie has shown her passion for performing through her attention and musicianship in class and is proving to be a born performer. Well done Sophie!

3 ELM

see what a seed needs to germinate and grow healthily. Amal volume in Maths. Mustafa has done a brilliant job with all his is enjoying observing the plants each week and drew lovely learning, completing his work accurately and also solving some

4 ALDER

Amy Stringfellow. In Year 3 we learned about the life cycle of a James Jaworski for showing great enthusiasm for our new RE flowering plant. Amy thought carefully about what happens at topic about Humanist ceremonies. He thought carefully about the each stage and presented her work beautifully. Well done subject and shared some excellent ideas and answers. This shows in his work where he thought about people who guide him. We are so pleased to see your interest James!

4 LARCH

that she created, inspired by Glen Alps. Maisy used leaf, string common milestones that we celebrate in life and was able to and collage to create her painting tiles. We love the level of reflect on how humanists celebrate new life through having

5 WILLOW

Adriana Kale-Parron for her excellent work and engagement in Myles Esprit. We have been completing our DT project, looking at food provenance and seasonality within Europe. Myles showed shown a real interest in creating an exciting pizza topping using excellent enthusiasm in the lesson. He used his observational skills to draw different herbs and spices, labelling them with interesting adjectives regarding their scent. He listened and contributed very well. Well done Myles!

6 LAUREL

Hope Madzingira. In Geography we have been finding out Zeha Sankar for her work in Science this week. Zeha worked hard information about Death Valley in North America, comparing on her assessment of our Electricity topic, planning an both physical and human geography with where we live. Hope investigation and labelling her circuit diagram clearly and wrote about some interesting features of the area and we look correctly. Zeha has also settled into a new class and new school forward to her work next week when she compares these very well. She should be very proud of all her hard work. Well done Zeha!

	SU	JMMER TERM DATES
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
Fri 7 Jun		Mufti Day for Summer Fair
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	4:30pm	Brass Concert @ CoGS
Mon 24 Jun	am	KS2 Sports Day
Tue 25 Jun	am	EYFS/KS1 Sports Day
Tue 25 Jun		Winston Churchil 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



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.

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.





Summer Uniform

We have a good supply of pre -loved summer uniform (dresses, shorts) at bargain prices.

Please ask at the office.







		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

Can you help Gardening Club?

After school on Wednesdays (3:15 – 4:15) gardening club does growing, sowing and other garden activities. But we would love more adult helpers! Please get in touch if you think you might be able to help. No gardening experience necessary and of course your child can come! A DBS check would be needed. Please drop me a line with any questions. pamelarutherford215@hotmail.com







In exchange for wearing your mufti clothes, please bring in donations of the following...

- Sweets or chocolates for the tombola
- Bottles of any sort (alcoholic & non-alcoholic welcome) for the tombola
- Games and toys no longer used (in good condition please)

Stall tokens (£1 each) and wristbands for the inflatables (£5 each for use throughout the duration of the Fair) will be available to buy in advance after school on 7th as well as on the day!







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











