

# Pyrford C of E Primary School Weekly Newsletter



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## Muddy Smiles at Hindleap Warren



We are so looking forward to the return of our wonderful Year 4's from their residential but we are more excited to hear about the fun that they had.



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## Headteacher's Letter

Dear Parents,

This week has been a whirlwind of exciting activities! The highlight was our visit to Shah Jahan Mosque on Tuesday evening. Staff were invited to join the Iftar Meal, a special meal taken at sunset during Ramadan. It was a wonderful experience, with a historical tour of the mosque and a presentation by our own pupils on Ramadan and Eid. We were even joined by dignitaries from the High Commission of Pakistan! I'm so proud of the children and grateful to all the families who helped make the event a success. It was an incredible feeling to be welcomed into the mosque, and I hope this continues as we strengthen our ties with the school community.



On Wednesday, I headed to Hindleap Warren to join our Year 4s on their residential visit. I arrived just in time for a night walk in the forest. The children played some outdoor games and ended the night with hot chocolate before getting ready for bed. It was amazing to see them in this new environment and how much fun and learning they were having. I know they'll be tired when they get home, but they'll also have made memories that will last a lifetime. Rest up, and we can't wait to hear all about it next week!

In our assembly this week, we used the story of David and his friend Jonathon to explore how we can cope with sad times. We talked about how David was heartbroken to have to leave his friend, but he found comfort in knowing that God was there to support him, as recorded in Psalm 34: God is close to the brokenhearted. We also reflected that everyone has times when they may be sad, but these do pass, and there's always something good to look forward to.

This week was brimming with even more exciting events! First, Year 2 visited Brooklands Museum, a place I remember fondly from my childhood (we used to sneak in and play on the race track) and I know our Year 2's had an absolute blast. On Thursday, we had a special visit from someone who came to work with the school to check on our safeguarding procedures. They met with the children and staff and were amazed by how knowledgeable and supportive everyone was. Finally, our staff also attended writing moderation this week. This is a process where we collaborate with other teachers in other schools to compare our pupils' writing and make sure our assessment procedures are accurate.

It's been a super busy week, but I'm excited to share that I'm off to Cardiff this weekend to watch the rugby! I hope you all have a wonderful weekend as well.



Cheers!

Mr. D

Gavin Dutton  
Headteacher

*Many thanks to Nadia, Sadia and Nafeesa for arranging our visit.*



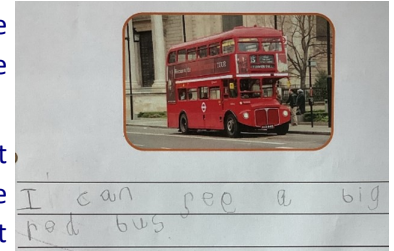
# Golden Book Awards



**N SQUIRRELS - Sienna & Zimal** At Squirrels, the children have been enjoying the warmer days and making the most of the outdoor learning environment. Sienna and Zimal worked together to make a sandcastle.

**R BEECH - Rori** for amazing writing. Rori used her phonics beautifully to write the captions for the pictures. She tried hard to form her letters correctly and used finger spaces and full stops.

**R HAZEL - Matei** for doing a fabulous job of writing captions for his pictures. He used his phonics and even wrote some tricky words that he memorised. Well done Matei!



**1 OAK - Evie** for being a fantastic artist. In Art, we have been learning about primary and secondary colours. Evie developed her artistic skills to mix and create these colours together and was able to create lighter and darker shades. Every Art lesson, Evie takes her time, thinks carefully about how she wants her work to look and helps others - a true model for others. Well done Evie!

**1 PINE - Jenna** for creating a fantastic aerial map of our school, using a key.

**2 CEDAR - Molly** In English, we have been writing letters as different fairytale characters to persuade the Jolly Postman to visit their house. Molly wrote a fantastic letter as Goldilocks using time connectives, adjectives and conjunctions to make her writing really interesting to read. Well done Molly!

**2 HAWTHORN - Shanzay** In Maths, we have been learning to find one, two and three quarters of a number. Shanzay used pictures and number sentences to show her understanding. Well done Shanzay!

**3 ELM - Leo** in recognition of the fantastic work he has done in Maths throughout Year 3. He approaches all our Maths learning with intelligence and enthusiasm, solving calculations rapidly and tackling tricky problems. Wonderful work Leo!

**3 MAPLE - Jannah** for the excellent moving skeleton she made in DT. Mrs Brockway was very impressed with how confident you were when you made your moving mechanisms.



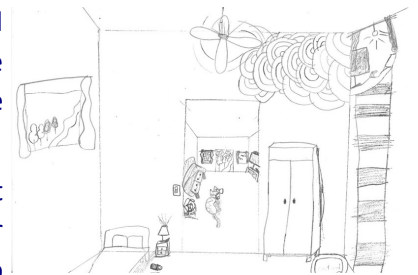
**4 ALDER - on residential**

**4 LARCH - on residential**

**5 CHERRY - Jago** In Art this half term, we have been learning how to create perspective using vanishing points and construction lines in drawings and paintings. Jago used the techniques taught so far to create a fantastic interior drawing. Great work Jago!

**5 ROWAN - Elif and Xanthe** In History this half term, we are learning about the Vikings. The children produced some fabulous timelines showing the key events during the raids of the Vicious Vikings. Elfi's and Xanthe's particularly stood out. They took so much care in the detail and presentation of their work. Miss Wilson was very impressed. Well done!

**5 WILLOW - Harper** In Art Year 5 have been studying perspective in drawing and paintings. Harper used the techniques she has been taught in class to create realistic, 3-dimensional sketches. She should be very pleased with the work she produced. Well done Harper. Keep up the good work!



**6 HOLLY - Matlida** for showing her flair as a writer in her balanced argument about whether a year sailing around the world would be a good idea or not. Her use of superb vocabulary, extended sentences and varied punctuation helps to make a great piece of writing. What particularly impressed Mrs Bull, is her own voice in phrases across the piece which shows off her skill. Well done Matilda. A fabulous piece of writing.

**6 LAUREL - Ben** for his fantastic input during our live lesson on Monday for British Science Week. Ben continues to impress us with his incredible knowledge about the world around us and Science Week has been no exception. Thank you Ben. Keep up the great work and keep teaching us all those amazing facts!



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PRESENT OUR FUNDRAISING

# RACE NIGHT

FRIDAY 21ST MARCH  
7.30 - 10PM SCHOOL HALL



**£5 ENTRY PER PERSON**  
**SCAN THE QR CODE TO BOOK**  
**FOOD PREORDER AVAILABLE:**  
**PIZZA OR FISH & CHIPS**



The bar will be open for drink and nibbles.  
**PLEASE BRING: Cash for betting + your own drinking glass**

**MORE INFO:** There will be 8 horse races shown with 8 horses running per race. Bets of between £1 - £5 per horse, per race, will be accepted. Every horse will have the same odds at 8-1. Winners will get paid out at 4-1 and all proceeds will go to the School.



**WOW!**  
**WONKA BARS**  
**RAISED £680**  
**FOR THE SCHOOL**

Thank you to everyone who supported the sale!



Well done to all the Golden Ticket winners!  
Don't forget, children need to bring in their tickets to exchange them for their prize.

Race Night booking link: <https://form.jotform.com/250432266625353>

Many congratulations to Nicole from Rowan class (pictured at the National Tennis Centre) who has recently been ranked 13th in Surrey and 128th in Great Britain in her age group. We look forward to seeing her at a Grand Slam one day!



SPRING TERM DATES		
Fri 14 Mar	15:20-15:50	Friendly Friday - EYFS & Ys 1 & 2
Wed 19 Mar		YN & YR Little City Visit
Fri 21 Mar	15:20-15:50	Friendly Friday - Ys 3 & 4
Fri 21 Mar	19:30	PTA Race Night
Fri 28 Mar		Mufti Day for PTA Colour Raffle
Fri 28 Mar	14:00-14:30	MAGs Event (Years 1 & 2)
Fri 28 Mar	14:00-14:30	MAGs Event (Nursery & YR)
Fri 28 Mar	15:20-15:50	Friendly Friday - Ys 5 & 6
Tue 1 Apr		Easter Pause Day
Fri 4 Apr	12:00	Last Day of Spring Term
Mon 7 - Mon 21 Apr		<b>EASTER HOLIDAY</b>

SUMMER TERM DATES		
Tue 22 Apr		First Day of Summer Term
Fri 25 Apr		Y5 Tudor Workshop @ RGS (Rowan)
Mon 28 Apr		EYFS & KS1 Perform Drama Workshops
Fri 2 May		Y5 Tudor Workshop @ RGS (Willow)
Tue 5 May		Swimming lessons start
Tue 6 - Fri 16 May		Ducks in Reception
Fri 9 May		YR to Godstone Farm
Fri 16 May		Y5 Tudor Workshop @ RGS (Cherry)
Mon 19 May	pm	Y3/4 Performance Technical Rehearsal
Wed 21 May		Class Photos
Tue 20 May	pm	Y3/4 Performance Dress Rehearsal to whole school
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
Mon 26 - Fri 30 May		<b>HALF TERM HOLIDAY</b>
Mon 2 June		Class Photos
Thu 5 Jun	13:30	KS2 Author Visit
Fri 6 Jun	15:20-15:50	Friendly Friday - EYFS & Ys 1 & 2
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
Tue 24 Jun		Y6 Lego Stem Workshop
Fri 27 Jun		Y5 to Wildwood
Sat 28 Jun	18:00	Brass Concert @ CoGS
Mon 30 Jun		<b>INSET DAY</b>
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

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# Spring Colour Raffle & Mufti Day

Yr 1

Yr 1

## FRIDAY 28 MARCH

Yr 2

Yr 2

Each year group has been allocated  
with a colour/s on this poster

In exchange for mufti dress in your allocated  
colour on the day (which can be just one item  
in that colour), please bring in a donation  
of the same colour for our 7 raffle hampers  
(no alcohol or nuts please)

Yr 3

Yr 3

**Raffle tickets - £1 each**

**purchased via Raffall link or QR Code below**

Yr 4

Yr 4

<https://raffall.com/380037/enter-raffle-to-win-fabulous-colour-hampers-hosted-by-pyrford-primary-school>

Raffall sign-up answer is "red"

Yr 5

OR

Yr 5

The draw will take place  
at 23.55 on 28 March.

Winners announced and prizes  
for collection on Mon 31 March



Yr 6

OR

Yr 6



✦ **DISNEY WORKSHOP - 7th April 9am - 5pm** ✦

Join us for a fun filled day of singing, dancing and acting to songs from these incredible movies!

Ages 5 - 16 years  
£50 for the day!

Contact us now to secure your place  
info@varnhamperformingarts.co.uk

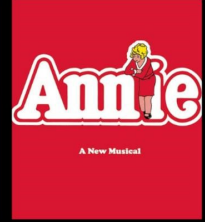


## MAY WORKSHOP

27th, 28th & 29th May 2025

@ Feltonfleet school, Cobham

9AM - 4PM  
Ages 6 - 16



Join us for a fun filled 3 days for **£120!**

LEARN DANCES, SONGS AND SCRIPT  
taught by cast members from these PHENOMENAL musicals!

Limited spaces available. Secure your place now!  
info@varnhamperformingarts.co.uk or WhatsApp: 07563217920

www.varnhamperformingarts.co.uk

\*cast members are subject to change due to availability and/or illness\*

# WOKING TOWN FC OPEN DAYS!



**22nd MARCH U5-U10 (YEARS R-5) 11:30am - 12.30pm**

**29th MARCH U11-U16 (YEARS 6-11) 11:30am - 12.30pm**

### EASTWOOD LEISURE CENTRE

(ALBERT DRIVE, SHEERWATER, GU21 5RF)

### BOYS & GIRLS WELCOME

Come along and see why Woking Town FC is a great local club for children to play football.



To book your free place visit  
[www.wokingtownfc.org/club-open-day-march-2025](http://www.wokingtownfc.org/club-open-day-march-2025)



## Parent and carer support



Building futures  
Transforming lives

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 (fortnightly) 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.

The Hope Service will be offering topical sessions to coincide with the dates on offer, where parents and carers can join together to discuss current difficulties.

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-JzvP7c1OsGj2TUbnQU9T6LXwJWQ=&u=https://www.hopeservice.org.uk/parent-and-carer-support>

### Coming up.....

<p><b>Tuesday 18 March</b> 5 - 6 pm</p>	<p><b>Transitioning to Adult Services:</b> What is the process of transitioning to mental health Adult services?</p>
<p><b>Tuesday 1 April</b> 5 - 6 pm</p>	<p><b>Substance and Alcohol Misuse:</b> The impact of Substance and Alcohol misuse on a young person.</p>
<p><b>Tuesday 15 April</b> 5 - 6 pm</p>	<p><b>What is Sexual Exploitation (WiSE):</b> An opportunity to learn more about the WiSE project, a service using a trauma informed approach to working with children and young people up to the age of 25. They support young people to recognise the process of grooming and cohesion and how this can influence behaviour. They support young people in identifying risks and responding to concerns.</p>

## 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](mailto: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](mailto:PYRFORDUNIFORM@GMAIL.COM)**



## Easter Trail Café & Chill Zone

**THURSDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 10-12NOON**  
**SATURDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2-4PM**

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

**Come on an interactive journey through the Easter Story!**

**A story trail including craft, games, eggs, hot cross buns.**

- Easter Trail in Main Church.
- Café area, sofa, toys & soft play in Main Hall.
- Games Zone including table tennis, table football, Wii, in Sherwood Jones/Lantern Room.

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](mailto: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)

**JANUARY**

Friday 17th January 6:30pm-7:45pm

@ the church of the good shepherd

Friday 31st January 6:30pm-7:45pm

@ the church of the good shepherd

**FEBRUARY**

Friday 14th February 6:30pm-7:45pm

@ the church of the good shepherd

Friday 28th February 6:30pm-7:45pm

Ice Skating Trip @ Guildford Spectrum

**MARCH**

Friday 14th March 6:30pm-7:45pm

@ the church of the good shepherd

Friday 28th March 6:30pm-7:45pm

@ the church of the good shepherd

# YOUTH CLUB JNR

FOR SCHOOL YEAR'S 4/5 AND 6

TUCK SHOP :-)

SOP ENTRANCE FEE

6.50 - 1.45 PER

@ CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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.

## Tots Praise!

Tuesday Mornings,  
10 to 11:30am

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

Songs, puppets, story, cake, coffee, juice,

We'd love to see you.

Any enquiries Suzanne at the Parish Office 01932 356166  
[Suzanne@wisleywithpyrford.org](mailto:Suzanne@wisleywithpyrford.org)