



Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope that those with children in RGD enjoyed this morning's assembly as much as I did! The children did so well to speak and sing to such a large audience; you must be very proud.

I recently received an email from a Pirbright Institute employee and father at the school, Jim Padden, offering the school two brand new (and may I say very flashy) computers, complete with screens and accessories. A huge thanks goes out to Jim and his colleagues! Helen Watts, Director of Finance at The Pirbright Institute, said: "We're really delighted to be able to give these brand-new computers to Pirbright Village Primary School. Our core work aims to prevent and control livestock diseases, but our wider mission is to contribute to educating and inspiring future scientists, and we hope that these computers will help in some small way towards that goal."

I would like it to be recorded that it has been at least two whole months since I have received a complaint surrounding the parking in and around Dawneys Road; however, the time has sadly come again for me to ask parents to please not park in Dawneys Road unless accessing one of its houses. I feel it best to simply share the recent communication to me with you. Please do email the school office should you have anything to add.

*The road is marked with a "No motor vehicles" sign, accompanied by an "Except for access" plate. Under the Highway Code (Rule 153) and the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016 (sign 619), this means that vehicles should only enter if they are genuinely accessing a property or destination along the road. Using it purely for school drop-off or collection, without visiting a property, would technically breach the restriction.*

*For reference, the relevant guidance can be found here:*

*- [Highway Code - Rule 153](#)*

*- [Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016](#)*

That said, please could parents stop parking right in front of the car park gate - it's preventing staff from accessing their workplace. Thanks!

We are very excited to announce that children's author, Mel Taylor-Bessent, will be joining Years 3-6 on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June for an extended assembly. She will meet with the children to discuss what life as author is like, sharing her own experiences of childhood, school and publishing her 5 children's novel with a 6<sup>th</sup> coming soon! If you would like your child to purchase a copy of either *Race to Imagination Island* or the sequel *Imagination Island - Race to the Edge* (or indeed both!) and have Mel sign them, please look out for an email from the office to buy through ScoPay. Sorry to add pressure, but the deadline to do this is Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May; however, if you don't do this in time, please feel free to buy your own copy elsewhere and bring it along on the day.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish Year 6 the very best of luck next week when they take on their SATs assessments. Keep calm and try your best - you're all going to be amazing!

Kind regards,

Pete

Pete Wright

Headteacher

## Coming Up May

12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> – KS2  
SATS Week

13<sup>th</sup> - YR Visit to  
Wellington Country Park

14<sup>th</sup> - Woking FC  
Tournament: Boys -  
3:30pm-6:00pm

16<sup>th</sup> - Cake Sale (Year 3  
to Lead)

19<sup>th</sup> – Pirbright Has  
Talent Auditions (Y1 –  
Y6)

19<sup>th</sup> - STEM McLaren  
Workshop – Year 3

20<sup>th</sup> - Reception Health  
Check

20<sup>th</sup> - WASPS Cross  
Country – Year 3/4 –  
Rearranged Date

21<sup>st</sup> - Year 3 Visit to  
Gilbert White's House

21<sup>st</sup> - Year 2 Victorian  
Day

Add our calendar  
to your electronic  
calendar!

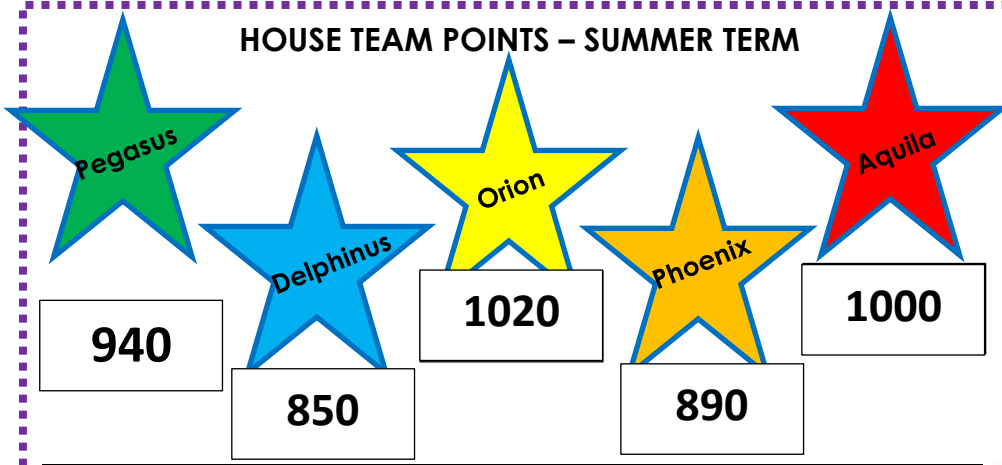
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bottom of the  
calendar.



School  
Website  
Photos!  
RGD Class  
Assembly  
VE Day Video



## HOUSE TEAM POINTS – SUMMER TERM



Weekly Attendance Update	
Reception & KS1 Winners	KS2 Winners
Year 1 – 100%	4LB – 100%
Whole School Year to Date	
95.3%	

## HEAD TEACHER AWARDS



HEAD TEACHER AWARDS are given out on a Thursday during assembly where we have the opportunity to hear about the children's successes of the previous week and celebrate how they embodied the Pirbright Values.



### The Daily Mile!

We've had a Daily Mile flurry of certificates this week; well done to all the children!

#### Half Marathoners

Hugo (3DG), Holly (3ND), Eddie (3ND), Any (3DG) & Josh (4LB).

#### Marathoner

Rose (3DG)



**Click here to order!**



### Reception 2025/2026

With a very small number of siblings in the new Reception intake for 2025/2026, we find ourselves with a few extra spaces which is most unusual! If you know anyone who is looking for a place, feel free to send them our way for a chat (once you've told them all the wonderful things about Pirbright of course!). Places can now be allocated to anyone so it absolutely doesn't matter where they live – come on over and say hello!

### VE DAY Celebrations

We have enjoyed some VE Day learning in class this week and a lovely afternoon of singing in the sunshine to commemorate the occasion. Thanks to Mrs Davies for leading the singing and teaching the children the BSL for "We'll Meet Again". [Video here...](#)

**Last Few Reception 2025 Places...**

Please make contact with the school office for a tour and a chat if you are interested. We would love to meet you and your family!

[info@pirbright.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:info@pirbright.surrey.sch.uk)



## **Auditions: Monday 19th May 2025**

**Children will be called to the Music Suite throughout the day so need to be ready!**

**Years 1 – 6 are welcome to audition**

**Children will be notified if they have been successful ready for the final performances...**

## **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2025 (AM)**

**Singing, dancing, joke telling, magic, gymnastics, musical instrument and all manner of talents considered!**

**Any questions see Mrs Dow!**



What a few weeks of music we've had! We are pleased to announce that we are now running instrumental lessons Monday to Thursday here at Pirbright! Last Wednesday saw our new trumpet teacher from Surrey Arts, Matt Nash, holding the first couple of trumpet lessons at Pirbright! He commented on the maturity of our children and how the progress in lesson one far exceeded that of many other local schools! We also celebrated the tremendous progress of our Rock and Pop students in last week's Wednesday assembly when parents attended to see band performances, drumming solos, singing duets and much more! It was absolutely wonderful and a huge well done to everyone who performed!

If anyone is looking to start learning piano, drums, vocals, guitar, trumpet, keyboard or bass then please do speak to either Mrs Peers or Mrs Davies who will give you the relevant information!

### **FROZEN FRIDAYS**

**Frozen Fridays start this week when ice lollies will be on sale on the KS1 Playground. Year 6 parents run this in order to raise money to contribute towards the hoodies all children receive when they leave Pirbright. Come along and see what they have on sale. Please note, if your child has allergies you will need to accompany them and choose a lolly with them.**

### **Year 1 Wishlist**

We're sure that many of you have been having a good old spring cleaning clear out over the past few weeks, and if so, we would love to support you by taking any of the following from you to help resource our Year 1 outdoor area.

#### **Outdoor Specific:**

- Wooden cable drums
- Wooden pallets
- Wooden Planks
- Plastic crates
- Plastic piping/guttering
- Tyres
- Logs/Stumps
- Sand pit toys or water play items e.g. tubes, funnels
- Unwanted adult shirts (for use as aprons)
- Large Buckets
- Old Pots and Pans, cooking utensils, colanders
- Metal watering cans
- Spades and Trowels
- Any seeds/seedlings for us to grow.
- Tarpaulin

**Thank You!**

Dear gentle reader,

I will be totally honest with you... because you deserve my honesty; you are loyal readers and I would never lie or deliberately mislead you. I may sometimes make jokes – or perhaps plant the seed for things I'd like to see happen (like when I started a rumour that Mr Wright might dress as an oompa loompa for the summer fair – Will he? Won't he? Who knows. Only him.) but I'd never tell an outright lie. And so, when I tell you what I'm about to tell you, you must believe my every word. Argh golly, ok, here goes...

So cast your minds back to last year, when the weather started to get warmer... and everyone was feeling carefree, optimistic about the lighter evenings, drinking Aperol spritz at work and pretending it was just a regular cup of coffee in a travel mug... Remember that? ....And then.... FOPS did something which made us all sit up and pay attention; they released **HEAVILY, HEAVILY DISCOUNTED LEGOLAND TICKETS**. These tickets are usually over forty British pounds per person, and suddenly that price got **SLASHED** almost in half and we all lost our tiny minds. Now this is what I need to tell you, because if you read this column regularly then you'll know I've been talking about this for a few weeks, but the thing is, **THE THING IS**, and I promise I am telling you the truth, the whole truth and **NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH**, these tickets sold out **FAST**. I'm talking like a few days. There wasn't enough time to put away all my freshly dried washing and these tickets were gone. **IF** you want to buy **LEGOLAND TICKETS**, for £23.50 per person, then you have to put all your plans on hold and make sure you **CLICK HERE TO BUY**: [www.pta-events.co.uk/fops](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/fops) - or you might miss out and I would **HATE** that for you. Legoland is awesome. This link will be live by the time you have finished reading this section. **GO GO AND GO AGAIN**.

Crikey, I can feel my cortisol levels rising to under my chin right now – I'm stressed for you babes. I need to chill and talk about the summer fair because tickets for the fabulous **CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY** themed extravaganza also go on sale today – same link as above! It's less urgent than Legoland, I won't lie, like we'd love you to all come and you've got time **HOWEVER** you can buy tickets; you can buy tokens and you can buy Wonka bars – just note that if you book soon then you can get an early bird discount on tokens and that's worth it. It's going to be on 28th JUNE 2025 here at school and honestly, it's going to be a-ma-zing darlings.

There's also going to be a **CAKE SALE** hosted by Year 3 on Friday 16th May – that means we'd appreciate cake donations in the morning at the music suite, homemade or shop bought, always nice to have gluten free/vegan options too. Thanks a million.

Lastly, guys, I'm gonna go lie down but before I do, I'm going to set a reminder to pack a couple of 50p's in my purse for pick up because it's **FOPS FROZEN FRIDAY** and the nippers will never forgive me if I forget... Don't forget to do the same.

Peace out!



**Your Summer fair needs you!**

28th June 2025  
12pm-3pm

**DO YOU HAPPEN TO KNOW?**  
~ A LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS WHO MIGHT LIKE A PITCH AT THE FAIR  
PLEASE EMAIL [JASMINE@CRANLEIGHDANCE.CO.UK](mailto:JASMINE@CRANLEIGHDANCE.CO.UK)

**CAN YOU VOLUNTEER?**  
~ CAN YOU OFFER 30 MINUTES OF YOUR TIME ON THE DAY TO MAN A STALL/HELP WITH SET UP/PACK AWAY.  
(KEEP IN TOUCH WITH YOUR CLASS REPS AND THIS YEAR ALL HELPERS WILL BE OFFERED A FREE ENTRY INTO THE RAFFLE)

**CAN YOU HOST A SEYMOURS BOARD?**  
~ IF YOU WOULD BE HAPPY TO HOST A SEYMOURS BOARD TO ADVERTISE THE FAIR PLEASE EMAIL [PIRBRIGHTFOPS@YAHOO.CO.UK](mailto:PIRBRIGHTFOPS@YAHOO.CO.UK)

**CAN YOU OR YOUR BUSINESS DONATE A RAFFLE PRIZE?**  
~ PLEASE EMAIL [LOUISESHUTT@OUTLOOK.COM](mailto:LOUISESHUTT@OUTLOOK.COM)

**THANK YOU!**

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PIRBRIGHT PLAYERS PRESENT

*Ladies' Day*

A Comedy by Amanda Whittington

Saturday 7th June 2025, 2pm & 7pm

Lord Pirbright's Hall, Pirbright

Tickets: [pirbrightplayers.spanglefish.org](http://pirbrightplayers.spanglefish.org)

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Pirbright Church

**PLANT SALE**

SATURDAY 10 MAY  
11 - 2

Plants, cakes, garden paraphernalia and sausage sizzle in the churchyard.

# Dates for the Diary 2024/2025

<b>May 2025</b>	<p>12th – 16th – KS2 SATS Week          13th - YR Visit to Wellington Country Park          14th - Woking FC Tournament: Boys -3:30pm-6:00pm          16th - Cake Sale (Year 3 to Lead)          19th – Pirbright Has Talent Auditions (Y1 – Y6)          19th - <b>STEM McLaren Workshop – Year 3</b>          20th - Reception Health Check          20th - <b>WASPS Cross Country – Year 3/4 – Rearranged Date</b>          21st - Year 3 Visit to Gilbert White's House          21st - Year 2 Victorian Day          21st - WASPS Yr4/5 tournaments: Boys AM/Girls PM @ Woking Leisure Centre          21st - <b>New Entrants' Meeting</b>          22nd - <b>Year 6 Maths Money Circus</b>          22nd - Year 5 Dynamo Cricket 1pm-5pm @ Old Woking CC          23rd - <b>Cricket Matches at Pirbright</b>          26th –30th May HALF TERM</p>	<b>June 2025</b>	<p>2nd - <b>PLL/WASPS PE Enrichment Morning - Year 2</b>          4th - Year 1 Visit to the British Wildlife Centre          5th – Pirbright Has Talent (no parents, sorry!) AM          5th – KS2 "Joseph" Trip to New Victoria Theatre PM          5th - <b>Cricket Matches at Pirbright</b>          6th - <b>Mufti - Adult Tombola Bottles</b>          6th - 2.45pm – 3.10pm Whole School Learning Look          9th – 12th - Year 6 Residential Visit to Somerset          11th - <b>Year 5 District Sports (AM)</b>          12th - Reception Zoo Lab Visit          13th - <b>Mufti - Kids Tombola Toys &amp; Books</b>          13th – Year 6 Late Registration (10am)          13th – The BIG Read 2:45pm (Parents Welcome)          16th – 17th – Year 4 Residential to Ufton Court          17th – <b>New Entrants Stay &amp; Play 1:45pm – 2:45pm</b>          17th - <b>Netball Rally at Hoe Bridge School</b>          18th – <b>New Entrants Stay &amp; Play 1:45pm – 2:45pm</b>          19th - <b>Year 3/4 District Sports (PM)</b>          20th - Sports Day &amp; Family Lunch          24th - <b>Drowning Prevention Assembly</b>          26th - <b>WASPs Rounders Tournament (After School)</b>          27th - <b>Mufti - Cakes!</b>          28th – <b>FOPS Summer Fair</b>          30th – <b>INSET DAY – School will be closed to children</b></p>
<b>July 2025</b>	<p>1st – Year 6 into 7 Induction Day (Surrey Schools)          1st - <b>Year 2 Visit to Little Hampton</b>          2nd - Year 6 into 7 Induction Day (Surrey Schools)          4th - Year 6 Performance PM (Y6 parents invited PM)          4th - Cake Sale (Year 2 to Lead)          10th –Summer Concert EVE (Parents Welcome)          11th – 10am Late Registration          14th – New Entrants Morning Session (10:30-11:30)          14th – 3.15pm-4.30pm Celebration Afternoon (Parents Welcome)          16th – Leavers' Party (Eve) 5:30pm          17th – Year 6 Fun Day          18th – 10.00am Year 6 Leavers' Assembly (Parents Welcome)          18th – 1.30pm – End of Term          18th - Cake Sale (Year 1 to Lead)          21st - INSET Day (School will be closed to pupils)          22nd – INSET Day (School will be closed to pupils)</p>		

## Term Dates 2024/2025

Term	Start	End
<b>AUTUMN 2024</b>	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2024	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2024
<i>Half term</i>	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2024
<i>Christmas</i>	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> December 2024	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2025
<b>SPRING 2025</b>	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2025
<i>Half term</i>	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February 2025
<i>Easter</i>	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2025
<b>SUMMER 2025</b>	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2025
<i>Half term</i>	<b>Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2025</b>	<b>Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2025</b>

## INSET DAYS 2024/2025

Monday 2nd September 2024

Tuesday 3rd September 2024

Friday 25th October 2024

Wednesday 29th January 2025

**Monday 30th June 2025**

**Monday 21st July 2025**

**Tuesday 22nd July 2025**

# Class Assemblies 2024/2025

Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2025 at 10am	1HE
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025 at 10am	RJL
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2025 at 10am	3ND
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June 2025 at 10am	2BT
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 2025 in the <b>AFTERNOON (Time TBC)</b>	Year 6

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<i>Christmas</i>	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2025	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2026
<b>SPRING 2025</b>	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2026
<i>Half term</i>	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2026
<i>Easter</i>	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2026
<b>SUMMER 2025</b>	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2026
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