



Dear Parents & Carers,

Another full-on week at Pirbright, with exciting and challenging times - and I'm not just talking about the weather!

Wednesday saw the newly-appointed House Captains head down to The Spectrum where they took part in a variety of sporting activities. The children were given their own sporting task to learn a game, before having to teach it to their fellow peers. This offered a certain amount of challenge for the group, who quickly realised that they would have to hold their friends' attention in order to clearly and succinctly explain and demonstrate what to do. I hope the children now have a greater sense of what teachers do on a daily basis! 😊

Continuing with sport, the Year 6 girls' football team did us proud yesterday, beating Knaphill School 8-1 at home. There is a match report further down the newsletter.

And finally, individual photos day all went very smoothly yesterday, with our new photographers from Tempest Photography. Look out for your child's photo order form coming to you in due course.

Thank you to those who have brought in a donation for the Harvest Assembly next week. Please read below if you would like to donate!

Enjoy your weekends, whatever form they take!
Pete

SCROLL TO THE END OF NEWSLETTER FOR ALL DATES (UNTIL THE END OF SPRING TERM) AND CLASS ASSEMBLIES FOR THE YEAR

Upcoming Dates – October

- 14th – Y3 Swimming
- 14th - Year 4 Residential Meeting
- 14th - Hockey Festival @ Charterhouse School
- 16th - Rock and Pop Assembly
- 17th – Family Lunch (11:30 Onwards)
- 18th – Year 4 Present - Harvest Festival (No parents)
- 21st - School Nurse Year 6 Height & Weight
- 21st – Y4 Swimming
- 22nd - Year 5 Visit to Winchester Science Centre
- 24th - WASPS Football Tournament
- 25th – INSET DAY
- 28th - 1st – HALF TERM

Potted Sports

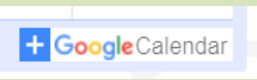
Congratulations to Ms Jackson, the House Captains and all of Year 6 for putting on an amazing Potted Sports event last Friday. There is nothing more heart-warming on a Friday afternoon than seeing the oldest children supporting the youngest and everyone in the middle collaborating and challenging themselves to have fun at some of the most random sporting activities known to man – where does Ms Jackson get them from?!

Whilst the warm and fuzzy feelings were definitely on show with The Pirbright Values, the children were also in it for the points. The first event for the new House Captains was such a closely run thing and after a lot of number crunching, Ms Jackson decreed AQUILA the champions and they were awarded the Potted Sports Shield in assembly this morning. Well done team!

1ST AQUILA	1000 HOUSE POINTS
2ND ORION	800 HOUSE POINTS
3RD PHOENIX	600 HOUSE POINTS
4TH PEGASUS	400 HOUSE POINTS
5TH DELPHINUS	200 HOUSE POINTS



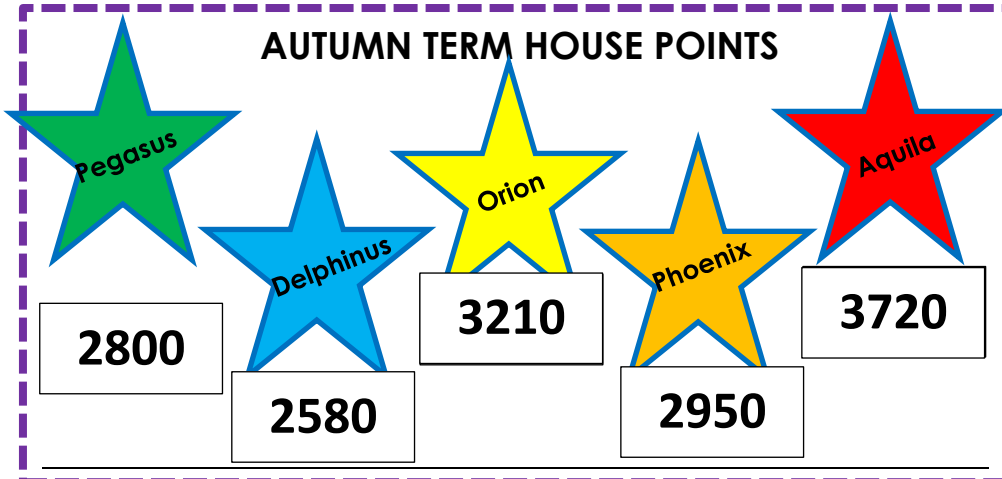
Add our calendar to your electronic calendar! Head [here](#) and click on the +Google link at the bottom of the calendar.



SCHOOL PHOTOS!

Potted Sports (KS1 & KS2)

AUTUMN TERM HOUSE POINTS



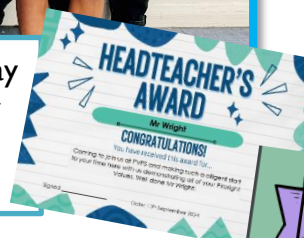
Weekly Attendance Update

Reception & KS1 Winners	KS2 Winners
1HE 100%	Year 3 100%
Whole School Year to Date	
97.2%	

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.



TOKENS

Our school house token system is entirely dependent on the process of awarding gold tokens to children who then post them back into the pots in the hall and they are then counted for scoring each week. The number of tokens in circulation is slowly dwindling to the point that we will no longer be able to have house tokens for children which makes us VERY sad! Please, please, if your child has a stash, return them to us so the fun can continue! Thank you!



Pirbright V Knaphill - 10.10.24

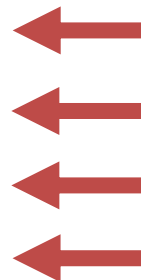
At the blow of the whistle, both sides were strong with Knaphill leading on possession and resulting in a goal within the first 5 minutes. This spurred us on hugely and after tightening up our skills we went on to score four goals in the first half. The second half started off well with a slight change to the team but we still stayed strong and kept our winning streak, resulting in a further four goals and a great win for Pirbright!

Lily, Anna & Izzy

Donations Needed...

- Suitable outside toys
- Outdoor furniture
- Outdoor paint
- Tubs, planters, crates, hanging baskets
- Soil and gardening bits

If you think you have anything suitable, please pop in and see us for a chat!



WE WOULD LOVE YOUR DONATIONS!

SCROLL TO THE END FOR LEAFLETS AND ALL THINGS ADVERTISING!

Our School Improvement Plan is set for the year. If you are interested, please click on the graphic below for all the details or head to <https://pirbrightvillageprimaryschool.secure-primariesite.net/school-improvement-plan/>

Mission Statement

Pirbright Village Primary School is an inclusive, nurturing school which is committed to developing each child's full potential to become successful, confident, enthusiastic and aspirational learners and citizens. We strive to achieve this by working in partnership with our children, their families and the wider community, creating an atmosphere of mutual respect and understanding, truly reflecting our school values.



School Improvement Plan 2024-2025

Overall Objectives 2024-2025

To work in collaboration with the new Head Teacher and establish him as a member of the Pirbright community. To ensure standards are driven across all areas of the curriculum with a particular focus on writing. To give children wide ranging opportunities to demonstrate their excellent learning attitudes and behaviours across the school.



Quality of Education

Drive standards of classroom practice to achieve our goal of excellence for all

- ◆ Raise standards in writing through whole school training, work with The Learning Partners Trust and a review of the current provision for spelling, punctuation and grammar.
- ◆ Ensure our science curriculum utilises the new resources and The Science Lab in order to give children an enhanced experience at Pirbright.
- ◆ Implement a new computing curriculum across the school to promote progression of skills and knowledge across the three areas of computing: Computer Science, Information Technology & Digital Literacy.
- ◆ Continue to work on The Continuous Provision Project in Year 1 to establish a clear transition between the EYFS and KS1, supporting children as required to experience a full and active curriculum.

Behaviour & Attitudes

Ensure behavior and attitudes towards school and learning reflect the school's values

- ◆ Help children and adults know what excellent behaviour looks like and provide the most up to date research on behaviour management strategies for staff.
- ◆ Ensure the SUPER 6 is embedded in classroom practice as a means to promote excellent attitudes to learning.
- ◆ Maximise opportunities for children to make a contribution both in and out of school with a focus on enterprise as a vehicle to demonstrate excellent behaviour and attitudes.
- ◆ Continue with the assemblies project to provide a whole school spotlight on British Values, Diversity and Pirbright Values with greater coherence and links between the presentations.

Personal Development

Give children the opportunity to develop their character, make good decisions and become well-rounded young people who make a contribution to society

- ◆ Continue to improve the school's Spiritual, Moral, Social & Cultural Development provision and gain an enhanced Silver SMSC mark.
- ◆ Develop better access to religious observance through visitors into school and visits outside of school.
- ◆ Continue to audit educational visits provision, considering appropriateness as well as how they complement current learning, taking into consideration the current economic climate.
- ◆ Review the use of Learning Champions across the school and provide children with opportunities to shine in their roles.

Leadership & Management

Lead the school with integrity, establishing positive relationships and driving a curious and ambitious workplace for all stakeholders

- ◆ Establish our new Head Teacher (Mr Pete Wright) as a fully embedded member of the school community.
- ◆ Improve the provision and management of SEND with the new SENCo and the new role of SENCo Assistant.
- ◆ Continue to drive subject leadership across the whole school with an emphasis on networking across The Learning Partners Trust to improve provision.
- ◆ Work with the Senior Leadership Team to further develop leadership skills to support and mentor the staff in their School Improvement Teams.

Family Lunch! Thursday 17th October 2024

This a wonderful tradition at Pirbright where we invite parents into school to have lunch with their children. We do these three times a year and we hope that the weather is good! Booking is via iPay for the children or SCOPAY for guests and the menu is chicken or veggie pie. We will open the **middle car park gates** for Family Lunch ready to welcome Reception parents at 11:30am. Timings are below in order for us to operate a stagger. If the weather is kind, packed lunches will be eaten outside so please feel free to bring a picnic. You will be welcome to come and collect your child from their classroom, but we will also have some Year 6 children on standby if you would like a delivery service!

Reception @ 11.30am

Yr1 @ 12 noon

Yr2 @ 12.15pm

Yr3 @ 12.30pm

Yrs4&5 @ 12.45pm*

Yr6 @ 1pm*

If you are all having a packed lunch and eating outside, you are welcome to arrive from 12:30pm

If you have more than one child attending the school, then please arrive at the time set out for your youngest child and we shall arrange for siblings to be collected to join you.

VERY IMPORTANT – If you are unable to attend and have a pupil in Reception or KS1 then please let the class teacher know in the morning so that we can arrange for a member of staff to sit with small groups during the lunch time.

All orders must be place by end of day TODAY!



Harvest

Every year, Year 4 host the Harvest Assembly where they share the importance of Harvest, the process, as well as how different factors affect it. Unfortunately, we can't fit all of the parents into the hall so this one is for the children and staff only. This year, like last, we would also like to give the children the opportunity to donate food to the Woking Food Bank who work alongside The Trussell Trust Charity. Please see the link for more information on them - <https://woking.foodbank.org.uk/> We know from talking to Pirbright parents that some of our own families rely on The Food Bank and have wanted to share thanks to us for our donations and being involved – every little really does help.

We very much appreciate that with the rising costs of living that donating items might not work for you right now; however, if you and your children do wish to donate, then Miss Currie and Mrs Bean will have a table set up in the main entrance hall and will be collecting food up until our Harvest Assembly on Friday 18th October.

ITEMS WE NEED - VERY URGENT ITEMS ARE STARRED (LAST UPDATED 27TH SEPTEMBER 2024)

MULTI PACK CRISPS ***

SMALL SIZE LAUNDRY DETERGENT NON BIO TYPE ***

TINNED HAM & SPAM ***

BARS OF CHOCOLATE & CHOCOLATE SNACK BARS ***

DEODORANT (M&F) ***

HOT CHOCOLATE

TINNED MEAT MEALS

TINNED VEGAN & VEGETARIAN MEALS

DISPOSABLE RAZORS (M&F)

TINNED CUSTARD

PEANUT BUTTER

TINNED RICE PUDDING

COOKING OIL

LONG LIFE SPONGE PUDDINGS

TINNED SALMON

LONG LIFE MILK FULL TYPE (BLUE)

LONG LIFE FRUIT JUICE

HONEY

WOKING FOODBANK
HELPING WOKING
PEOPLE IN CRISIS

YES PLEASE

WE HAVE PLENTY OF:

TEA BAGS

SOUP

PORRIDGE

TINNED PULSES

CEREAL

PASTA

JARS OF COOKING SAUCE

BUBBLE BATH

BAKED BEANS

NO THANKS

Hello Eco Warriors of Pirbright!

We are looking forward to another great year where the children, staff and parents work and learn together to steward the natural world around us, supporting the biodiversity within Surrey and indeed beyond. With the nights drawing in and the days getting gradually colder (and significantly wetter!), why not have a think about the things you can do now to support our local wildlife through the colder, harsh winter months. Things we do now can really help our feathered and furry friends later. The Surrey Wildlife Trust website is full of tips, tricks and ideas to make supporting nature around us quick and easy. Why not visit the website with your children and have a look at things you and your children could try at home;



Help wildlife in the cold



How to check your bonfire for hedgehogs



How to be an eco-friendly pet owner



Have a look at their website by following the link below.

<https://www.surreywildlifetrust.org/actions>

If you take on any other activities and try some out at home, why not send in a picture or a little note about it to Mrs Davies' email? She loves to hear about these things and we can celebrate our good work on the Eco display board too! 3ND@pirbright.surrey.sch.uk

Hello,

If you read last week's newsletter, then fear not – today you will not need Google or find a 15-year-old to translate what I am about to tell you. All you need to know is that the CHRISTMAS FAIR TICKETS are now on sale here: www.pta-events.co.uk/fops along with early bird deals on tokens and raffle tickets. If you are an organised octopus, and like being the sort of person who gets stuff done efficiently, and early, then this is the link for you. I can't really relate to you, but I admire you enormously. You go have fun. YASSSS Queen.

Look out for details of MUFTI days as we will, as we do every year, ask for you to donate key items to FOPS in place of a cash donation. MUFTI, for those of you who are new here, is a confusing word of unknown origin meaning WEAR WHAT YOU LIKE TO SCHOOL INSTEAD OF UNIFORM. But I warn you now, football shirts are a no go. On MUFTI days, in the leadup to Christmas, we ask for donations such as JAM JARS filled with sweets, PRELOVED, and a bottle of adult tittle for the tombola. Keep your eyes peeled for those dates!

That's all for this week. Golly, that was easy. Peace out!



£1pp entry
under 3's free

Pirbright Village Primary School's
Christmas Fair
Friday 29th November

Entry from 3.15pm for SEN families only
Open to all from 3.30pm til 5.30pm
www.pta-events.co.uk/fops

Raffle!
1st Prize 50" Samsung Smart TV
2nd Prize Acer 128GB Chromebook
3rd Prize Ninja Air Fryer
4th Prize EVO Eclipse Scooter

Bar!
Father Christmas!
Games & fun!
Festive food!

Christmas Stalls!
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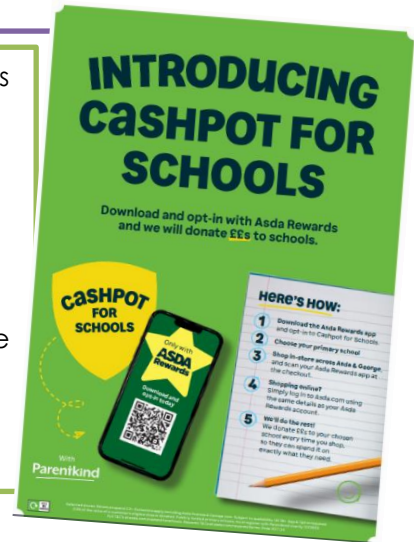
Plus many more prizes to be won!

Let's Celebrate Pirbright

If your child "achieves" or takes part in something special outside of school (local football team, village show, scouts award, sporting event and the like) then please send a photo and a short description to Mrs Dow either at her email address or at celebrate@pirbright.surrey.sch.uk and she will pop it up on the display board in the hall for all to admire.

Parentkind have teamed up with Asda, who is making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative – all you have to do is, opt in through the Asda Rewards app, choose our primary school and shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com, between **2nd September and 30th November 2024**.

Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to our Primary school. Also, every time somebody opts in, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot. Plus, it doesn't stop there – Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started. Asda does the rest, all money raised will be donated to Pirbright to spend on the things we need the most - think of all the blue sticks we could buy!



 Potential Kids

HALLOWEEN CAMP

28th Oct - 1st Nov

Sport
Arts & Crafts
Halloween Games

*Get your costumes ready
Halloween Disco on Thursday 31st!*

BOOK NOW - Potentialkids.co.uk

The BIG Read

Parents are invited to come along to school and join their child(ren) in a whole school BIG Read!

Friday 15th November at 2:45pm
Friday 7th March at 2:45pm
Friday 13th June at 2:45pm

Hopefully we will be outside on the school field but if the weather is poor, we will be in the classrooms – come and join the fun!

Entry via the KS2 Gate

Dates for the Diary 2024/2025

September 2024		October 2024	<p>14th – Y3 Swimming 14th - Year 4 Residential Meeting 14th - Hockey Festival @ Charterhouse School 16th - Rock and Pop Assembly 17th – Family Lunch (11:30 Onwards) 18th – Year 4 Present - Harvest Festival (No parents) 21st - School Nurse Year 6 Height & Weight 21st – Y4 Swimming 22nd - Year 5 Visit to Winchester Science Centre 24th - WASPS Football Tournament 25th – INSET DAY 28th - 1st – HALF TERM</p>
November 2024	<p>4th – Start of second half term 4th – Y4 Swimming 5th - Flu Immunisations 8th – Remembrance Service – Whole School (10am - TBC) 10th - Remembrance Service at Brookwood Cemetery 11th – Y4 Swimming 11th – 15th Anti-Bullying Week 13th – Year 6 WWII Day 15th - The Big Read (Parents Welcome) 18th – Y4 Swimming 20th – Year 3 Visit to Butser Farm 25th – Year 4 Swimming 28th – Clubs finish for autumn term</p>	December 2024	<p>2nd – Year 4 Swimming 9th – 13th SHOWS WEEK 13th - PJ Day & Movie Afternoon 17th – Christmas Quiz 18th - Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day 20th - 10am - Festive Carol Service – Lord Pirbright’s Hall (Parents Welcome) 20th - 1:30pm – E202nd of Term</p>
January 2025	<p>6th – Start of the spring term 13th – 17th – Bikeability Year 6 Week 1 20th – 24th – Bikeability Year 6 Week 2 29th – INSET DAY School will be closed to children 3rd – 7th – Bikeability Year 6 Week 3 24th – 28th – Bikeability Year 6 Week 1</p>	February 2025	<p>3rd - 4.30pm – 7.00pm Parents’ Evening 5th - 4:00 – 6:00pm Parents’ Evening 6th – Year 1 Visit to Brooklands Museum 12th - Year 1 Sportshall Athletics @ Guildford Spectrum (PM) 14th - 1.30pm Pirbright Cross-Country Events (parents welcome) 17th – 21st HALF TERM 24th – World Thinking Day</p>
March 2025	<p>4th - Year 3/4 Sportshall Athletics @ Guildford Spectrum (AM) 5th - Year 2 Sportshall Athletics @ Guildford Spectrum (AM) 7th – World Book Day – DRESS UP 7th – The BIG Read 2:45pm (Parents Welcome) 12th Year 2 My First Steps Leadership Training 14th - Science Day (Celebrating Science Week) 25th - Year 2 Visit to Nower Wood 27th - Family Lunch (11:30 Onwards) 28th – FOPS Chocolate Bingo</p>	April 2025	<p>2nd - Year 3 Pop-Up Museum 4th – Easter Assembly (Year 5) AM (No Parents – Sorry!) 4th – Term finishes at 1:30pm</p>

Class Assemblies 2024/2025

Friday 15 th November 2024 at 10am	5LB
Friday 24 th January 2025 at 10am	3DG
Friday 14 th February 2025 at 10am	4SC
Friday 14 th March 2025 at 10am	2HJ
Friday 21 st March 2025 at 10am	5SF
Friday 28 th March 2025 at 10am	4LB
Friday 2 nd May 2025 at 10am	1JR
Friday 9 th May 2025 at 10am	RGD
Friday 16 th May 2025 at 10am	1HE
Friday 23 rd May 2025 at 10am	RJL
Friday 6 th June 2025 at 10am	3ND
Friday 13 th June 2025 at 10am	2BT
Friday 4 th July 2025 in the AFTERNOON (Time TBC)	Year 6

Term Dates 2024/2025

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

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