



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this message finds you well as we head into the extended bank holiday weekend. I wanted to take a moment to share some of the many highlights from what has been a truly lovely week here at school. This morning, we were treated to a fantastic assembly led by 4BC. The children spoke confidently, shared their learning with enthusiasm and made us all incredibly proud. It was a joy to see their hard work come together so beautifully.

A big thank you as well to FOPS for organising the uniform collection this morning. This is always such a well-supported and valuable activity for our school community and we are very grateful for the time and effort that goes into making it such a success. Our pupils have also had some wonderful learning experiences beyond the classroom this week. Year 3 had a brilliant trip to Gilbert White's House yesterday, where they represented the school exceptionally well and engaged thoughtfully with their learning. Meanwhile, Year 5 enjoyed their visit to the church, where they not only learned about its rich history but also had the exciting opportunity to ring the bells; an experience they will no doubt remember for a long time.

One of the highlights of my week has been watching Reception practising for Sports Day. Their energy, determination and sheer joy were great to see and I am very much looking forward to the event itself.

After the long weekend, we return to a relatively quiet four-day week. Even so, I am looking forward to all the learning that will continue to take place across the school, as our pupils remain as engaged and enthusiastic as ever. Speaking of engaged... huge congratulations to Miss Jessett who got engaged over the Easter holidays! We're all very pleased for her and wish her and the future Mr Jessett lots of love and good wishes!

Finally, a reminder about the online safety workshop taking place this Wednesday. As the session is online, you can join from the comfort of your own home. Online safety remains one of the most important safeguarding challenges facing schools today, as children are growing up in a digital world that can often feel unfamiliar to adults. We would warmly encourage all parents to attend Daniel Sykes' session, as it promises to offer valuable insights and practical guidance. Even if your child has limited access to screens, the workshop will still be relevant and helpful. Understanding the online world and the potential risks children may encounter enables us, as parents, to better support them in developing safe and positive habits.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable bank holiday weekend.

Kind regards
Pete
Pete Wright
Head Teacher

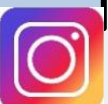
Coming Up MAY

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15th - Year 1 Cake Sale
18th - Pirbright Has Talent Auditions – All Day
19th - Year R visit to Wellington Country Park
20th – 10:30 – 3:00 - Year 5 Open Cricket
20th - KS2 Theatre Trip - Barnum - New Victoria Theatre
21st - Year 4/5 Football Tournaments
Boys AM/Girls PM
@Woking Leisure Centre

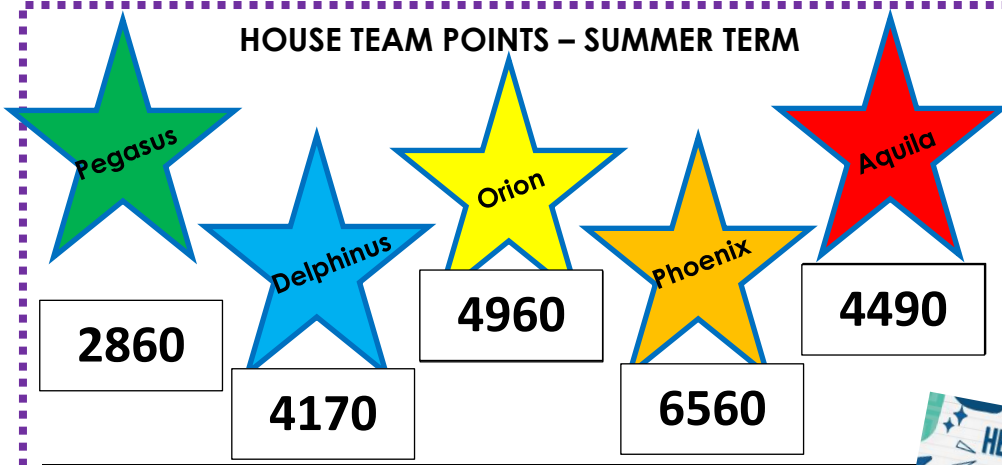
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SCHOOL PHOTOS!
4BC CLASS ASSEMBLY



HOUSE TEAM POINTS – SUMMER TERM



Weekly Attendance Update	
Reception & KS1 Winners	KS2 Winners
2BT – 100%	5SF 97.9%
Whole School Year to Date	
95.5%	

HEAD TEACHER AWARDS



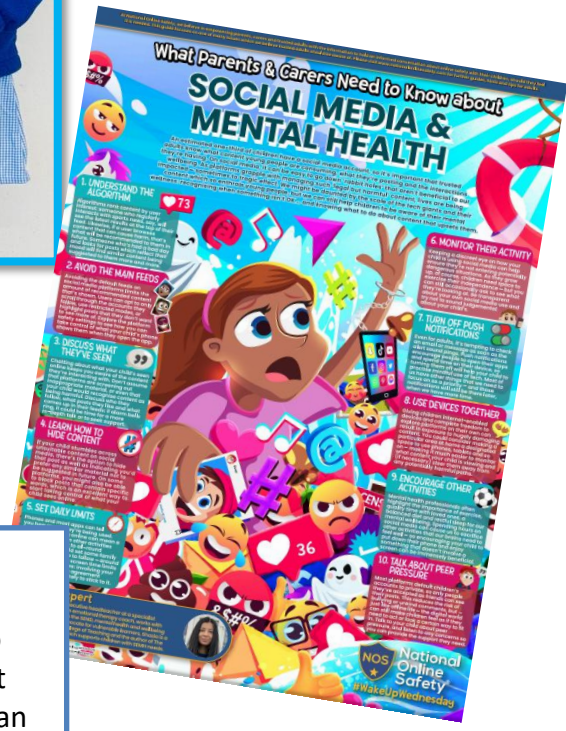
Click here to order!



Huge congratulations to Willow (4LB) on her half-marathon!



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.



Keeping Children Safe Online

Social Media & Mental Health:
 With about a third of children on social media, it's vital for adults to monitor what they see and post. Given that platforms frequently fail to filter harmful material, children are at risk of encountering content that negatively affects their wellbeing. While tech giants are daunting, we can still teach young people to recognise and report upsetting content. This guide from #WakeUpWednesday offers practical tips on hiding content, setting daily limits, and starting open conversations about their online experiences.

CLICK HERE

Do you know what your child does online and how safe they are? We have teamed up with Daniel Sykes from the Cyber Protect Team at Surrey & Sussex Police and will be hosting an online session about how to protect children from online harm.

The session is designed to give parents easy to implement advice so that they can help their children to grow up in the digital age with confidence and security.

Key Topics Include:

Online Risk: The art of spotting a scam and keeping children safe from harm and criminal activity online.

Social Media and Chatroom Safety: The risks of social media, social engineering, disinformation, AI, privacy and account compromises.

Gaming: Understand what the risks are to young people when they are gaming, and discover how to monitor and restrict their use.

Cyber Security For Parents: learn how to secure devices and keep children safe.

Q&A: Ask us anything!

Wednesday 6th May (8pm-9pm)

To join the webinar, use this link and login details: www.tinyurl.com/s2bavxx4

Meeting ID: 323 966 853 230 51

Passcode: ot2Va9hB



Pirbright Has Talent T&Cs

- ✓ Children will be called by year group throughout the day.
- ✓ There is no need to “register” or book an audition. Just bring your resources (if needed) and get involved on the day.
- ✓ If parents want to send any music directly to Mrs Dow beforehand, please do so – cdow@pirbright.surrey.sch.uk
- ✓ Children can bring in music on a memory stick or just ask for it on the day and we will find it on Spotify or YouTube – they must know what they are asking for!
- ✓ They will perform their audition in front of their year group friends who are also auditioning.
- ✓ Auditions will be a short “snippet” of the performance and may be cut shorter than children would like; last year Mrs Dow auditioned over 100 children, so this is to make everything achievable!
- ✓ Children will find out who are performing to the whole school as soon as possible; this is likely to be the following day.
- ✓ Children DON'T need costumes or make-up etc for the auditions.
- ✓ Children can only be in one act.

Auditions: Monday 18th May 2026

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

Years 2 – 6 are welcome to audition

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

Thursday 18th June 2026 (PM)

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

Class Mix-Ups

For those new to PVPS, we reorganise classes in Reception, Year 2 and Year 4 each year, and this process will begin in the coming weeks. When 60 children start in Reception, classes are carefully balanced, taking into account a range of factors such as friendships, special educational needs, EAL, age and gender.

As children move through the school, classes can become less balanced for a variety of reasons. For example, mobility within our military families, the development of Special Educational Needs (SEND), and the different rates at which children progress in their learning. We also believe that reorganising classes is an important way to support children's social and emotional development, helping them build resilience, form new friendships, and experience change within a safe and supportive environment.

Why do we reorganise classes?

- To create classrooms where all children can achieve their full potential
- To refresh learning environments and social groupings
- To support transition to secondary school by broadening friendship groups
- To address any imbalances caused by pupil mobility over time
- To provide opportunities for children to develop new friendships
- To balance ability levels across classes
- To support SEND and behavioural needs effectively
- To achieve a positive gender balance

How do we do it?

1. We explain the process to the children in advance, including why it is important and how it supports their learning. Many children will already be familiar with this process.
2. During the week beginning Tuesday 5th May, children will be asked to name four friends they would like to be with in the following year. We guarantee that each child will be placed with at least one of these friends. There is no ranking order, and we aim to create the best possible combinations. You may wish to discuss this with your child beforehand, encouraging them to think carefully about who will support both their happiness and learning. Children are encouraged to consider friendships across the whole year group.
3. Teachers use this information to form two new classes, considering pupils' preferences alongside other key factors. While friendships are important, our main priority is creating balanced, successful learning environments. We consider gender, academic ability, behaviour, personality, SEND needs, and the overall class dynamic.
4. Draft class lists are shared with all staff, who provide feedback based on their experience of how pupils interact socially and during learning.
5. Lists are reviewed and refined in light of staff feedback.
6. Pupils will be informed of their new classes on the designated "Move-Up Mornings" which are on the school calendar.

We recognise that class reorganisation can make some pupils feel apprehensive. We kindly ask parents to support this process positively at home. It is a well-established part of school life at PVPS, and all pupils experience it during their time here.

Please remember that staff spend a significant amount of time with the children in school and have a strong understanding of how they learn and interact in this environment. Our shared goal is to ensure every child is placed in a class where they can thrive both academically and socially.

Hola amigos,

I'm gonna be forced to keep this brief because honestly, I only just remembered that I had to write this like... 5 minutes ago and now it's late and I'm hungry and I'm hormonal and your gal needs to eat. Spellcheck tells me I've used 'and' too many times and is suggesting commas – NOT TODAY, PAL, NOT TODAY.

Legoland TICKETS ARE SELLING FAST. Faster than I've known them to sell before. I don't think you should sit on that one... go and buy your tickets right now and guarantee yourself an unforgettable inset day. I've booked it off work – we're going! See you there. I'll be the one throwing up on the rollercoaster that goes backwards. www.pta-events.co.uk/fops

Everyone keeps coming up to me and talking about the circus; HAPPY CIRCUS! It's coming to Pirbright School on the 4th July, and we'll have a smattering of well-chosen stalls (adult tombola for the win!) and then a two-hour circus performed by professional folks in lycra. If I had a pound for the number of times people have stopped me and told me it was a brilliant idea... I'd have two pounds. Ha, I jest – it's the talk of the school! Get your tickets now via the link above – once they're gone, they're gone...

FUN RUN – Miles for Smiles – tickets are now live! We only ask you to book a ticket in advance so we can order medals, as every runner gets one. My kids are tiny magpies who love anything that glitters, so this has been a big pull. One and a half miles, or three miles – but everyone gets a medal, so why run more when you can run less? I'm not sure that's how Emma wanted me to market it, but we move. Literally.

Blimey. Tea towels. Will this ever end? (and by that I mean this section of the newsletter... I love a tea towel. I have hundreds. And yet none are ever clean... why? Tell me why.) KS1 and KS2 tea towels are now on sale – again, that link just above – and your kid has drawn a darling little portrait which is supposed to loosely resemble them, and we've gone and slapped it on a high-quality tea towel. You know, I once met a mum who had her tea towel framed... I mean, each to their own. They also dry wet dishes. Just a thought.

HAPPY SCHOOL BAGS (literally starving at this point) – your kids are bringing home bags which you can fill with textiles, etc., and then we make money when this awesome company comes to collect them and pays us per kilo. All the usual stuff: old tea towels (you are buying new ones, right?), old clothes, stuff that is cluttering up your home and life, like tablecloths you never use or that horrible jacket that your partner always wears but you hate? HAPPY SCHOOL BAG.

RIGHT, PENS DOWN, WE'RE DONE.

Wasn't even short.





MILES FOR SMILES

1.5 mile run and a 3 mile run

SATURDAY 27TH JUNE 2026

Raising money for Friends of Pirbright School
in association with Armed Forces Day

Join us for a family jog or run at your
pace on a scenic route through Brookwood
Military Cemetery.

START TIME: Registration from 8.45 at
Pirbright Cricket Pavilion, for a 9.45 start

Parking will be limited, if you need to
bring your car please park considerately.

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FAMILY LEARNING



Empower Your Child: Supportive Approaches to Manage Anxiety

Join our FREE workshop designed for parents and carers! In this 2-hour session, you'll work with the tutor and other parents to deepen your understanding of anxiety and learn practical ways to support your child.

What you'll learn:

- Gain a deeper understanding of childhood anxiety
- Practical ways to help your child manage anxious feelings
- Opportunities to connect with other parents in a safe, supportive environment

Where: Woking Family Centre
The Bungalow, Sythwood
Gu21 3AX

When: Wednesday 3rd June 2026

Time: 12:45 -14:45



Changing childhoods.
Changing lives.

To book your place please click on this link or scan the QR code



Web : www.surreycc.gov.uk/familylearning
Email : family.learning@surreycc.gov.uk
Tel : 0300 200 1044



BEDSER SCHOLARSHIP 2026

Give your cricket a boost and take the next step in your game!
Are you a girl currently in School Years 4-9?
Do you live in Woking, attend a Woking school, or play for a Woking cricket club?

We're inviting girls across Woking to join us for this year's Woking Bedser Scholarship trials.

Softball Trials

Monday 11th May
Old Woking CC

Hardball Trials

Monday 18th May
Woking & Horsell CC

For more information and to sign up, contact:
Ed Belger | Head Coach | ebelger@surreyccricket.com



Dear all our loyal customers, parents, friends, and little adults,

At *Valentino Schoolwear*, we are ensuring our **Annual Discount Promotion** for 2026 is **available online** and **in-store** for our customers, no appointment required.



15% OFF IN-STORE school uniform purchases: **18th – 23rd May 2026**

Use discount code **SUMMER15** at checkout.

15% OFF ONLINE school uniform purchases: **17th – 24th May 2026**

Use discount code **SUMMER15** when you click 'View Cart'.

10% OFF ONLINE ONLY school uniform purchases: **Bank Holiday Monday 25th May 2026**

Use discount code **SUMMER10** when you click 'View Cart'.

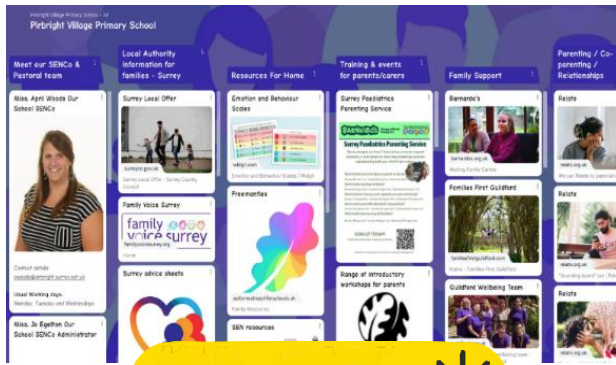
Anything purchased during our promotion can be exchanged right up until 1st September!

Please note that we are unable to accept returns and exchanges during our promotional dates above 18th May – 23rd May 2026.

Returns & exchanges are all subject to our normal returns policy. These offers are available online and in store. Not to be used in conjunction with any other offers. Exclusions apply.

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SEND & Pastoral Support Padlet

Just a reminder that Miss Woods and Miss Egelton have been very busy putting together a Padlet which is jam packed full of information and resources which you might need as a parent. Whilst they primarily have SEND parents in mind, the wealth of pastoral, learning and parenting based resources is absolutely incredible and will certainly benefit all of our families so please take a look. They will continue to add to it so please let them know if there is anything in particular you would like them to cover.

Swap Shop

Refresh your stuff - no cash required

Victoria Hall

Ash Hill Road, Ash, GU12 5DN

Saturday 30 May 2026

11:00am - 12:00pm

Everyone welcome - whether you bring or not

Free refreshments
Free parking

Toys - Books - CD's -
Games - Clothes - Baby
stuff - DVD's - Bikes
No large or electrical items



Community Wellbeing

Dates for the Diary 2025/2026

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July 2026	<p>1st - Year 6 into 7 Induction Day (Surrey Schools) 2nd - 1st - (morning) uniform collection outside the FOPS shed 2nd - WASPS Rounders Tournament at Pirbright 4th – The FOPS Summer Fair – The Circus 9th –Summer Concert EVE (Parents Welcome) 10th – 10am Late Registration 13th – 3.15pm - 4.00pm Celebration Afternoon (Parents Welcome) 15th – Year 6 Leavers' Party (Eve) 5:30pm 16th – Year 6 Fun Day 17th – 10.00am Year 6 Leavers' Assembly (Parents Welcome) 17th – 1.30pm – End of Term 20th - INSET Day (School will be closed to pupils) 21st – INSET Day (School will be closed to pupils)</p>		

Term Dates 2025/2026

Term	Start	End
AUTUMN 2025	Tuesday 2 nd September 2025	Friday 19 th December 2025
<i>Half term</i>	Monday 27 th October 2025	Fri 31 st October 2025
<i>Christmas</i>	Monday 22 nd December 2025	Friday 2 nd January 2026
SPRING 2026	Monday 5 th January 2026	Friday 27 th March 2026
<i>Half term</i>	Monday 16 th February 2026	Friday 20 th February 2026
<i>Easter</i>	Monday 30 th March 2026	Friday 10 th April 2026
SUMMER 2026	Monday 13 th April 2026	Tuesday 21 st July 2026
<i>Half term</i>	Monday 25th May 2026	Friday 29th May 2026

INSET DAYS 2025/2026

Tuesday 2nd September 2025
 Wednesday 3rd September 2025
 Friday 24th October 2025
 Wednesday 28th January 2026
Monday 29th June 2026
Monday 20th July 2026
Tuesday 21st July 2026

Class Assemblies 2025/2026

Friday 8 th May 2026 at 10am	RRE
Friday 15 th May 2026 at 10am	RJL
Friday 22 nd May 2026 at 10am	5GJ
Friday 3 rd July 2026 in the AFTERNOON (Time TBC)	Year 6

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AUTUMN 2026	01 September 2026	16 October 2026
<i>Half term</i>	<i>19 October 2026</i>	<i>30 October 2026</i>
	02 November 2026	18 December 2026
<i>Christmas</i>	<i>21 December 2026</i>	<i>01 January 2027</i>
SPRING 2024	04 January 2027	12 February 2027
<i>Half term</i>	<i>15 February 2027</i>	<i>19 February 2027</i>
	22 February 2027	25 March 2027
<i>Easter</i>	<i>26 March 2027</i>	<i>09 April 2027</i>
SUMMER 2024	12 April 2027	22 May 2026
<i>Half term</i>	<i>28 May 2027</i>	<i>04 June 2027</i>
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CLUB CLASS HOLIDAY CLUB

£30 PER DAY
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Holiday	Dates	Booking Closes
Autumn Half-Term	27 th - 31 st October	23 rd October
Christmas Shows Late Collection Service KS2	10 th & 11 th December 6-7pm	N/A
Spring Half-Term	16 th - 20 th February	12 th February
Easter Holiday	30 th March - 2 nd April	26 th March
Summer Half-Term	25 th - 29 th May	21 st May
Summer Holiday	20 th July - 14 th August	16 th July

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