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Purwell Primary School
5th July 2016

"He who has imagination without learning, has wings and no feet." Joseph Joubert

Open Day/Evening - Tuesday 12th July

We can confirm further details for the Open Day and Open Evening for parents on Tuesday 12th July. Parents are invited to come into their child's class, from 1.30pm until 2.30pm, where they will be invited to join the children in fun learning activities which reflect our diverse and creative curriculum. At 2.30pm, parents will come to the hall for refreshments before a short, but informative, presentation from Mr Cano.

To accommodate the working parents, the school will open again at 6.00pm with refreshments in the hall, when Mr Cano will repeat his talk (but it will be worth listening to twice), before introducing to the parents the new teachers for September and announcing class allocations. After this, parents will be free to tour the school. There will be displays of children's work, subject information, ICT interactive demonstrations, with staff and pupils available to guide and answer any questions.

Time Lord - Years 5 and 6 summer production

For the summer production, this year, the children of Oak and Aspen Classes will be the villains of the piece when they take on the performance of *Time Lord*. Will the Time Lord be rescued before the mysterious creatures overtake the world? Come along and find out. There will be two opportunities to see the comedy play on Wednesday 13th July at 2.00pm and again at 6.00pm. Tickets will go on sale from next week at 50p per ticket for primary aged children and £2 per ticket for everyone else. Refreshments will be available before the performance. Even if you do not have children in those classes, it will be a very enjoyable experience for all, so do buy your tickets and come along.

PSA Summer Fun Day - Friday 15th July from 3:15pm -7.30pm.

The PSA are planning an exciting celebration to end the school year, by holding a Summer Fun on Friday 15th July from 3:15pm -7.30pm. Those coming to the event can enjoy a bar, tuck shop, and barbeque, as well as variety of stall and games. Park Fit are also coming with an obstacle course for the children and Ladder 87 are bringing a fire engine! There will also be races held on the field, including a mum's race, dad's race, slow bike race and many more!

There is a PSA meeting, at The Millstream, this Thursday to plan the fun day. There will be a doodle poll going out this week asking for volunteers, or people can just let Mrs Drury or Mrs Tart know if they can help.

Annual Reports

On Friday 15th July, you will be receiving, via your child, their report for the year, as completed by their class teacher.

Reception Graduation, Year 6 Leavers and End of Term Assemblies

This year's Reception Graduation assembly will take place on Tuesday 19th July, at 2pm. Invitations have been issued to parents of pupils in that class.

Then, on the following day, Wednesday 20th July, at 2pm, there will be some mixed emotions at the Year 6 Leavers' assembly. At this assembly, Oak Class pupils will say their goodbyes to the school, and the Year 6 Pupil of the Year will be announced.

The end of term Award Assembly is at 1.20pm on Friday 22nd July. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Parents are reminded that, if babies/toddlers become unsettled during the assembly, they should be taken outside, so as not to disturb other people's enjoyment of the event.

Last Day of Term

School finishes for the holidays at 2.00pm, on Wednesday 22nd July, after the Award Assembly. Parents who come for the assembly may take their children home immediately afterwards, should the assembly finish early.

I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of the staff, to thank our parents for the continued support you have shown the school over the last year. We hope you have a lovely, and enjoyable, family time with your children. We will see you on Thursday 3rd September, for the first day of term.

Choir and Clubs

This Thursday, 7th July will be the last choir session for the year. Thank you for all the support we have had this year with our various events. We will recommence singing in September. The Friday clubs, Pumas and Cricket have now finished for the term. All other clubs will end by Thursday 21st July

Hitchin Duck Race - Sponsor a duck

Around the school, you will find posters advertising a duck race in Hitchin on Saturday 9th July. Money for various charities is being raised; however, I would like to draw your attention to the 2pm race for Hitchin Partnership. Schools across Hitchin really rely on the work the Hitchin Partnership does. If you would like to support on the day, please purchase a duck number from the office for £1. All donations gratefully received.

Mr Cano in Thames Walk Challenge

Mr Cano will, once again, be putting on his trekking boots for a new walking challenge. At the end of the month will be attempting to walk the length of the West Highland way, in Scotland. a distance of 90 miles in just 7 days. He is trying to raise £500 for the Marfan Research Charity. If you would like to sponsor him you can do so, via the Just-Giving website and searching for his name and challenge. Many thanks.



Midday Supervisor - recruiting for September

The school needs to recruit midday supervisors to work anything from one to five days per week. The hours are 11.55 a.m. to 1.05 p.m. Duties include supervising pupils in the dining room and on the playground. The rate of pay is **£7.05 per hour**. Why not think about joining our friendly lunchtime team?

Display of the week



The children all loved having a go at some Flamenco Dancing, on our Spanish Day.

Don't forget school will be close this Friday as it is an Inset Day.