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Dear Parents and Carers,

Church Carol Service – Tuesday 19th December 2016 at 6:00pm

All parents, carers, friends and relatives are warmly invited to attend St.Mary's Church in Purley for what is our 'Annual Carol Service'. The Choir will be leading the service which will include a chance to hear some newer songs for Christmas. All pupils are encouraged to attend with adults even if they are not in the choir as we've been singing the songs in assemblies.

PTA CHRISTMAS FAIR- FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER – 3.30pm-5.30pm

A big thank you to everyone who came to the Christmas Fair earlier this month and either helped in some way or came to spend a few pounds! The total raised will be announced shortly but I would like to extend another thank you to Ellie Cowmeadow and the rest of the PTA committee for their work on that Friday and in the weeks before. A great team effort indeed!

'Children in Need' – a message from the School Council

Thank you to everyone who came in something spotty or brought in a bear or did any fundraising. We are pleased to be able to tell you we raised a fantastic £249.06!

The School Council Team

Lunchtime vacancy

I am delighted to tell you that Miss Eastman joined our lunchtime staff earlier this half-term but we are still looking to recruit another reliable and motivated individual to work during lunchtimes. The main role is to supervise pupils in the dining hall, playground areas and school premises ensuring the safety, welfare, physical and mental well-being of pupils and the maintenance of good order and discipline. The hours are 12.15pm -1.15pm, 5 days a week, term time only.

After school vacancy

We are also looking to recruit a reliable and motivated individual to join our after school club. Their main role is to supervise pupils in the club area, the playground areas ensuring the safety, welfare, physical and mental well-being of pupils and the maintenance of good order and discipline. The hours are 3.15pm -6.00pm, 5 days a week, term time only.

Please contact Miss Sarsfield in the school office for an application pack for either or both posts. Visits to the school are welcomed and encouraged.

Other news in brief (more detail on Twitter)

November

- 11th Poppy Appeal raises £362.27
- 14th Netball with Purley Primary
- 17th Children in Need
- 21st Year 5 and 6 Tag Rugby at Denefield
- 27th Three Long Lane Scientists take part in The Oratory's science competition
- 28th Y6 Netball team win Pangbourne College's Primary tournament

December

- 1st Four Year 5 children take part in Pangbourne College's Maths Challenge day
- 8th Year 3 & 4 join Singing for Fun group at St. Mary's, Purley
- 9th Long Lane wins the children's section of the Purley Christmas tree competition
- 11th Foundation stage – Nativity songs to parents
- 11th Year 1 and 2 " Not such a silent night' to parents
- 11th Junior classes have Christmas service at St Marys Purley
- 12^h Foundation class trip to Cornerstones Theatre
- 12th Year 3 and 4 Tudor day

Parent Questionnaire

I have attached the results of the Parent questionnaire that was collated after the parents' meetings.

School Closures

Should we need to close the school in any event, including snow/lack of heating/or any other critical incident, we have several ways of communicating. These are:

- Local Radio stations including Heart and BBC Radio Berkshire,
- Our Twitter feed,
- The school website,
- The West Berkshire Council Website,
- We will also attempt to send out a text.

We always try our best to stay open so unless you hear through the above channels you can assume we are OPEN. We only contact the local media when we are closed.

School closes tomorrow at 1.30pm (Wednesday 20th December) and re-opens for children on Thursday 4th January 2018.

Finally, on behalf of all the pupils, staff and governors here I would like to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a peaceful and prosperous New Year.

Yours sincerely,



Mr. P. Thorne,
Headteacher



PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE 2017

RESULTS



	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't know
My child is happy at this school	81%	18%	1%		
My child feels safe at this school	85%	13%	1%		1%
My child makes good progress at this school	68%	31%			1%
My child is well looked after at this school	83%	31%	1%		
My child is taught well as this school	72%	27%			2%
My child receives appropriate homework for their age	50%	43%	2%		5%
This school makes sure its pupils are well behaved	67%	28%	3%		2%
This school deals effectively with bullying	45%	21%	2%	2%	30%
The school is well lead and managed	69%	30%	2%		
This school responds well to any concerns I raise	57%	28%	5%	1%	9%
I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress.	76%	19%	4%		1%

Would you recommend this school to another parent?	Yes	No	Didn't answer
	98.4%	1.6%	

Number of returns by pupil	ALL	127
	<i>FS, Y1/2</i>	46
	<i>Y3/4</i>	47
	<i>Y5/6</i>	34
	<i>Year group(s) not stated</i>	0



IMPORTANT DATES 2017-18



Welcome time (3.15pm – 3.45pm)

- Spring Term – Tuesday 16th January 2018
- Summer Term – Thursday 7th June 2018

Parents' Meetings

- Spring Term – Monday 16th April 2018 (All day – please note this is an INSET day)

Parents' Forum

- Spring Term – February 2018
- Summer Term – May 2018

'Class assembly' to Parents (including refreshments)

- Year 3 – w/b 5th February 2018
- Year 4 - w/b 19th March 2018
- Year 6 - w/b 21st May 2018
- Year 5 - w/b 9th July 2018

Other events (Autumn Term)

- Church Carol Service – Tuesday 19th December 2017 at :600pm
- School Christmas dinner/Christmas Jumper Day - Tuesday 19th December 2017
- **FINAL DAY OF TERM Wednesday 20th December at 1.30pm**

Scoot, walk or ride weeks – 5th March 2018, 11th June 2018

Sports Day -Wednesday 27th June 2018, Infants am, Juniors pm (Reserve day Friday 29th June)

NO Curriculum evening – 'Meet the teacher' instead – Wednesday 20th June 2018

Transition week/Class swap - week beginning 2nd July 2018 (For Year 6 moving to Year 7 and all classes in school)

Leavers' Assembly and BBQ- Thursday 19th July 2017 6.30pm

(For term dates please refer to your child's Reading diary).