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School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Remembrance service in Cambridge

An account of our day from Milly, Y6:

'On Sunday, a group of children from Years Five and Six went on a trip to Cambridge. We set of really early at 7am. As we arrived the minibus broke down but we didn't let is spoil our day. At 10 O'clock we took part in a remembrance parade and service, and observed the two minute silence at 11am, to mark exactly 100 years since the armistice was signed in 1918. After standing for two hours we were all hungry and walked for fifteen minutes then stopped for lunch outside Kings College. Finally, after looking round some of the colleges and seeing the mathematical bridge over the River Cam and visiting the fudge shop and a gift shop, we returned to Mr Mooney and the minibus which was on a tow truck! We returned home safely by taxi. We had a great day we won't forget and I would highly recommend it.'

Quiz Night

This event takes place tonight. I'm expecting a really successful evening. Thanks for supporting us if you're coming. Thanks to John Stradling and his team of quizmasters. Special thanks also to Mrs Cordell and Mrs Keast for all their organising and everyone who is helping to make the event a success. You have been brilliant.

Advance notice for users of After School Club

On Tuesday 18th December there will be no after school club. This is because all the staff are having their Christmas dinner together in school after the children have been dismissed. For years I've been searching for a solution where the whole staff can sit down together, rather than in shifts to enjoy Christmas Dinner day. So the children will be fed at lunchtime and the staff after 3pm. I hope this is not too inconvenient for parents using after school club and you can make alternative arrangements for that night. It's only once a year.

Sports News

We have had a busy sporting week again. On Tuesday our football team played Regina Coeli in their first league game of the season:

Report here:

On Tuesday we played a league game against Regina Coeli. It was a phenomenal match straight from the off. We got the breakthrough when Ollie hit a rocket in the back of the net. We went 2-0 up with a splendid goal by Archie. Unfortunately, they pulled a goal back to make it 2-1 with a lucky goal against the flow of the game. We stayed positive and scored another goal through beautiful play and then another goal. We won 4-1. Man of the match was Daniel M.

On Wednesday our Netball A and B teams played Courtwood School. It was the first games for many of our girls and we could see them learning as they played. Courtwood A beat us 4-0 and

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Courtwood B beat us 1-0. However, there were some very creditable performances and we learned a lot. Roll on the next games!

On Thursday we played another football fixture against Beaumont in the first round of the small schools cup:

On Thursday we played a cup game against Beaumont. We were hoping to stay in the cup and go further. We played an outstanding game straight from the off. Charlie crossed the ball in and Ollie flicked the ball into the net to take the lead. We carried on the pressure and we managed to score a second through Archie with a cheeky goal! Then Ollie hit them with a counter attack and slotted the ball home. Near the end, Archie scored from a free kick leaving us the 4-0 winners. Man of the match was Archie.

Well played all! John Motson is alive and well and living in Purley!

PTA NEWS:

CHRISTMAS FAYRE COUNTDOWN - 1 WEEK TO GO!

THE FINAL COUNTDOWN...

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to our Fayre in whatever capacity – we are extremely grateful. We have a busy week ahead with lots to do - but we're incredibly excited. We have a 'cracking' Christmas Fayre to look forward to

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Picture Competition:

A big thank you to all the children who submitted a picture for our competition this year – as always, the standard was extremely high and all pretty fabulous!

Thank you to Mrs Garcia and Ms Holloway who judged the competition this year and to Keri Brannigan who kindly organised the competition.

Huge congratulations to our winner **Phoebe Gibson – Y2** her fabulous picture will feature on the front cover of our **Christmas Fayre Brochure** this year.

Our runners up were Charlie Makunde – Y6, Charlie Bond – Y6, Faithful Gyasi-Mensah – Y4, Milly Keast – Y6 and Valentina Sidoli – Y2

CHRISTMAS FAYRE BROCHURE:

Thank you to everyone who contributed to pulling together our brochure this year. Thank you to all your family and friends who have advertised with us and indeed to the parents who personally took advertising space too. Our reps worked tirelessly, walking the streets of Purley and making numerous calls. I'm absolutely delighted to report our efforts paid off and we secured 31 adverts, equating to a whooping £1,860.00.

Our special thanks to Julietta (Y1 mum) who's resolve was tested with local restaurants but didn't' give up! And to Tania Sidoli, who manged to pull together & create numerous company adverts in the bid to secure the sale!! We can't thank you ladies enough!

GIFT DONATIONS - Today

A big thank you to everyone who generously donated today. We had some amazing and indeed incredibly generous gifts! For those still wanting to donate or wanting to donate more, please drop your gifts into the office right up to Friday 23rd November.

BOTTLE/TOY DONATIONS

Thank you to those who have been donating bottles and toys throughout the week, for those still to donate or would like to donate more please drop them to the school office - we're very happy to take them right up to the Friday 23rd November.

GRAND DRAW TICKETS

The class competition is heating up! One week to go who will be the winning class? Thank you for returning your tickets – please keep up momentum, we would like to sell as many as possible.

Reps are in the playground every day next week collecting ticket stubs and giving out more tickets should you want them and selling tickets for the 'Barrow of Booze and the Voucher Raffle which has some fabulous prizes.

COSTUME STALL

Wow what a marvellous response – thank you everyone who has donated! We've received some wonderful outfits. Please continue to bring your donations in throughout next week and leave at the office.

PTA Christmas Fayre 'COUNTDOWN' Diary Dates:

Friday 23rd November - Lots of lovely cakes! No Nuts!

Pudsey Salon

Amazing support for the Pudsey Salon today. The children absolutely loved their colourful nails facepaint and hair and are already asking if it will be running next year! I don't know how much we have raised yet, but I'll let you know.

Special thanks must go to Ms Chivers (Tianna & Talia's mum), Mrs McDonald (Kirsty) Ms Adima (Faithful and Christ Victory) & Mrs Brannigan (Joseph)

<u>Little Bay: The restaurant in South Croydon</u> Have been very supportive of the PTA_over a number of years; providing free meals for the last few years to be used as raffle prizes or silent auctions. They are looking for Kitchen and Waiting staff with full or part time positions available. Maybe it would suit a student you know? Contact them on 020 8649 9544.

	Stars of the week 16 Nov
Red Class	Albert & Edmund
Orange Class	Kate & Una
Yellow Class	Neha & Marissa
Green Class	Gabriella & Ella
Blue Class	Sofia & Leah
Sapphire Class	Emma & Joseph G
Indigo Class	James & Kuba
Violet Class	Grace & Milly

The house of the week was Bernadette. Well done!

Attendance award went to Indigo Class

The punctuality award went to Rec Class. Very well done.

School meals menu for week commencing 19th November is Week One.