

Potters Gate C of E Primary School

MARCH 2023



Thank you to everyone who supported the school on Comic Relief Day! The amount raised from

sporting non-uniform, crazy hair and the staff netball match was over £700!!

The Determined Admissions Policy for the academic year 2024-2025 has been published with documentation and is available to view on the school website.

<u>Potters Gate C.E. Primary School - Admissions</u> (potters-gate.surrey.sch.uk)



Thank you to all who attended the second Anxiety workshop, the volunteer safeguarding meetings and the Parent Forum meetings! It has been a busy term but thank you for all your support in school. Wow! What a lot has happened this term! World Book Day was such a great event this year and the author visits were a huge success! The Easter services over the past fortnight were a delight - thank you to all the parents who gave up their time to walk the children to these and many other activities this term. In breaking news, we had an exciting visit today from an astronaut! I am sure the children will tell you all about it but look out for photos in the next newsletter.

May I wish you all a restful Easter holiday break and we look forward to seeing the children back in school on Monday

17th April. Happy Easter!

If you need any good quality preloved uniform, please email our lovely PTA at



pottersgateuniform@gmail.com
 and they will try to help you out!

OFFICE NEWS

- * Don't forget there are two bank holidays coming up Monday 1st May and Monday 8th May. Inset days for 2023-2024 are on the school website.
- * Please advise us if you change address, phone number or email address
- * Please name all pieces of uniform, especially PE hoodies. We cannot return lost items without names!
- * When leaving a message to report your child as ill, please give some information as to the nature of the illness.

Be Kind

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FARNHAM LIBRARY Pecking Chickens Craft - Make a pecking spring chicken - 10:30am - Book at Library March **Easter Card Craft - Create a hatching chick** 6th card! - 10:30am - Book at Library April Chatter Books - Reading group for 7-12 year olds every month. 11am April Easter Bunny Hats- Get ready for Easter!-8th April 12th Bouncing Bunnies- Make a jumping bunny 2:30pm - Book at Library April Remember - you don't have to be a member of a library to take part!

Find us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram for more details



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FARNHAM PARISH CHURCH St Andrew and St Francis LOVING GOD LIVING FAITH SERVING COMMUNITY

EASTER 23

at St Andrew's Church

Palm Sunday 2 April

10am Palm Sunday Service with Procession

Come and meet the horse! (Gather in the Rectory Yard at 9.45am)

3pm LEGO Church

Lots of LEGO and Duplo building, plus stories, songs, prayers and snacks

Good Friday 7 April

10am –11.30am Family Easter Workshop

Join us for crafts, songs, stories, hot cross buns and more!

Easter Sunday

10am Morning Service and Celebration

with activities for children and Easter Egg Hunt









INSPIRING MINDS

Volunteers Needed

Year 11 GCSE Exams - MAY/JUNE 2023

We are looking for volunteer invigilators to help us with this year's Year 11 GCSE exams in May and June.

If you are interested in getting involved with the school and gaining more of an insight into how the school works, we would welcome volunteer invigilators for upcoming exam season. This is the perfect opportunity for you to see what Weydon School is all about.

Your time commitment need not be great and could perhaps only be one or two sessions.

If you would like to help and are able to contribute some of your time, then please contact the Exams Office at:

ExamsOffice@weydonschool.surrey.sch.uk.

For those interested, a DBS check will be required and there will be some online training.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Joan Shattock and Claudia Heather

Exams Officers

Weydon School



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The Three Little Pigs—Friday 14th April, 2:00pm



Once upon a time, in a muddy field by the sea, there lived THREE LITTLE PIGS.

Following the huge success of 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff', Lost The Plot Theatrical hit the road with another family classic...

It's time to get blown away in this brand-new musical adventure of The Three Little Pigs!

Join our three pigs as they excitedly leave the family sty in search of new adventures! Will they make a pig's ear out of it, or will they raise the roof? It'll take brains, bravery and curly-tails to build bridges and forge friendships with each other and those they meet along the way.

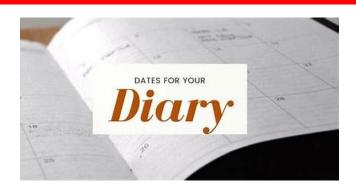
Get those trotters tapping and those snouts a-squealin' with new catchy songs, dancing and plenty of audience participation for piglets of all ages.

There's snout left to do but book your tickets for this oinktastic musical! https://www.princeshall.com/ event/141001/three-little-pigs



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Fri 31st March - Break up for Easter Holidays 1.30pm

Mon 17th April - Back to school 8.50am

Thurs 20th April - Class Photos

Fri 28th April - Year R Playground Sale

Mon 1 May - Bank Holiday—School closed

Weds 3 May - PTA Meeting 7.30pm

Thurs 4/Fri 5 May - Year 3 to Painshill Park

Mon 8 May - Coronation Bank Holiday - School closed

Tues 9 - Fri 12 May KS2 SATs

Mon 15 May - Athlete Visit

Tues 16/Weds 17 May - Year 5 Mosque visit

Weds 17 May - Year 6 Dance and Music workshop at school

Thurs 18 May - Year 3 Parent Assembly 9am

Thurs 18 May - Year 1 to Alice Holt

Fri 19 May - Fantastic Fred mental Health Workshops

Mon 22 to Weds 24 May - Year 4 Residential to Sayers Croft

Fri 26 May - Break up for half term usual times

Mon 5 June - Back to school 8.50am

Tues 6 June - Year 1 Seaside Experience in school

Thurs 8 June - Year R Parent Assembly 9am

Fri 9 June - Year R Sports Day 10-11am; KS1 Sports Day 1.30-3pm

Thurs 15 June - Year 2 Parent Assembly 9am

Fri 16 June - Lower KS2 (3&4) Sports Day 10am-12pm; Upper KS2 (5&6) Sports Day 1.30-

3pm

All dates are uploaded onto the school website regularly so please check there for information on what is happening at school - www.potters-gate.surrey.sch.uk

It has been a very busy month for our **sporting stars**. Some upper KS2 children did brilliantly at an indoor inter-schools **athletics** competition and our **floorball** teams, taking part (for some) in their first floorball tournament, were amazing with one team getting through the group stage to the semi-finals and coming 4th overall! A year 6 **netball** team came 4th in a tournament they played in so well done to them! The **league netball** team (yr 6) won their group in the Autumn term but played well in the league finals to finish 4th. In an exciting **badminton** festival, we came 4th (again!) just missing out on a medal. The year 6 girls' **football** team played in a tournament at Frensham Heights—Sophie was great in goal, they all received medals and enjoyed the sausage baps post tournament! **Well done team PG!**







Team PG sporting achievements!

Years 1 to 3 in Potters Gate and St Andrew's School were entertained one Monday this month by the very colourful Phillip Reeve and Sarah McIntyre who came in to talk about their book Adventure Mice – Otter Chaos. It was interactive, completely engaging and certainly very interesting for the children to hear how a book idea comes to fruition.







Otter Chaos!

Year 5 went to Henley Fort to take part in some challenging outdoor pursuits! These included climbing, bouldering, clout archery, challenge courses and orienteering. The instructors commented that they were the bravest and most supportive group they had had!









What a great day we had for World Book Day! The costumes were amazing. During the day, the children enjoyed taking part in whole school writing and art challenge based on the book, The Secret of Black Rock and with the very kind support of our local Waterstones store, every child had a book to take home at the end of the day.











World Book Day 2023!

Local poet Val Harris read her poems from her book A Classroom of Stars to Years 4, 5 & 6 and they took part in a writing workshop with her. So inspirational!







KS2 Author Visit!

On Tuesday 21st March, Year 6 went on a school outing to Milestones Museum, linked to their History topic on World War II. Through interactive activities, costume interpretations and role play, the children got to experience what life was like during the Second World War.











Year 6 to Milestones!

As part of the PE Curriculum, the school took part in some Floorball workshops over 2 days—they all had great fun learning a new skill!





Floorball Workshops!

Years 4, 5 and 6 were involved in some First Aid Workshops this month which were kindly funded by the PTA. The children learned basic first aid as well as what to do in an emergency situation. Going forward, all year 4 children will take part in a similar workshop each year. How great that they have this knowledge to cope in an emergency!







First Aid Experts!