

18th October 2024

Dear parents and carers,

Today we had school tours for prospective parents and received many lovely compliments about our school. Thank you to the PSA for funding the playground markings. As you will see the children are having lots of fun using them.















We would also like to give our thanks to Andrew Drury and his team for their time over the summer (lots of which was given for free) to carry out lots of maintenance work; refurbishing fox class toilets, painting and the quiet garden. We could go on!! Thank you for caring about our school. We are lucky you are a part of our local community.

Have a lovely weekend. Miss De Filippis





#### **PUTTENHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

Puttenham Parish Council have arranged to plant a new hedge and some trees around the new transport hub behind the school. 360 – 400 hedgerow plants and 12 trees need to be planted.

The Parish Council are looking for volunteers to help with the planting on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December. The work will start at 9.30am and it is hoped that it will be completed by about 12.30pm.

The new hedgerow and trees are to improve the aesthetics around the transport hub, provide great habitat for wildlife and as a legacy for the children's future.

If you can help with the planting, even if only for an hour, please contact Debbie Mitchell at <a href="mailto:debbie@puttenham-pc.gov.uk">debbie@puttenham-pc.gov.uk</a>

Please bring a spade (if possible), gardening gloves, warm clothing and a hot drink if you want one.

Any volunteers would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

#### WATER BEADS SAFETY ALERT

The Office for Product Safety and Standards (OPSS) has issued a <u>Product Safety Alert</u> to warn of the risks that water beads pose to children and vulnerable adults.

The alert advises that water beads should be kept away from children under five, and only used with older children or vulnerable adults under close supervision. They are marketed for various purposes, including for use as toys and in crafting. Water beads can expand up to 400 times when exposed to liquid.



When swallowed, they expand and can block the gastrointestinal passage, potentially requiring surgery. They can also cause choking and have harmed children in the UK, with reports linking them to deaths overseas.

If it is suspected that a water bead has been swallowed, medical help should be sought immediately.

# COME AND SEE MY LEARNING Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2024 2.30pm

Please come and join your child in the classroom to share their learning.

## **PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS**

## **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October and Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October**

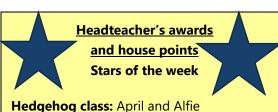
Please remember to book an appointment with your class teacher using your SCOPAY account. All meetings will be in the main school building. There will be a crèche in the group room for school age children. If you bring preschoolers you will need to keep them with you.

#### **SCHOOL LUNCHES**

Please note there is a new lunch menu after half term, which can be viewed here

https://www.puttenhamschool.co.uk/school-meals-2/

Please remember to book your lunches for next half term using your SCOPAY account.



Rabbit class: Maggie and Arabella

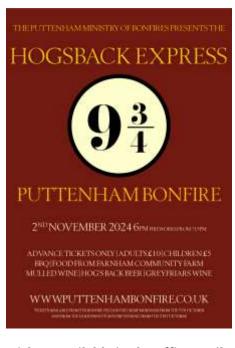
Fox class: Sophie and Seth

Values award: Benjamin H for Respect

Flynn B for Wisdom

Lunchtime stars: Amelie and Bella

House points: Hedgehog class Well done to you all!



Tickets available in the office until Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October

#### **KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES**

### **COME AND SEE MY LEARNING**

Monday 21st October 2.30pm

# **PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS**

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 3.15pm – 6.00pm Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October 4.00pm – 7.00pm

### **PSA MUFTI DAY (BOTTLES)**

Thursday 24th October

## **INSET DAY**

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October

#### **PSA SCARECROW TRAIL**

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November

## HALF TERM

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November

#### **PUTTENHAM BONFIRE**

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

### **INSET DAY**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November

## **PSA MUFTI DAY (CHOCOLATES)**

Thursday 14th November

#### LITTLE SAINTS CHURCH SERVICE

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November 10.30am

#### **PUTTENHAM SCHOOL ASSOCIATION**

**PUTTENHAM BONFIRE** - We are still in need of volunteers for the Puttenham Bonfire. Please click on the following web link (or copy it into your web browser if clicking doesn't work) to go to the signup sheet <u>volunteersignup.org/Q8YHA</u> and follow the instructions on the page. It only takes a few seconds to do. Thank you for volunteering! Tarin Woods

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