



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 6th 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 debbie@puttenham-pc.gov.uk

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 [Product Safety Alert](#) 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 21st October 2024 2.30pm

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

PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS

Tuesday 22nd October and Thursday 24th 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.puttenhamhschool.co.uk/school-meals-2/>

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

Headteacher's awards and house points Stars of the week

Hedgehog class: April and Alfie

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 24th October**

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

COME AND SEE MY LEARNING
Monday 21st October 2.30pm

PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS
Tuesday 22nd October 3.15pm – 6.00pm
Thursday 24th October 4.00pm – 7.00pm

PSA MUFTI DAY (BOTTLES)
Thursday 24th October

INSET DAY
Friday 25th October

PSA SCARECROW TRAIL
Friday 25th October – Friday 1st November

HALF TERM
Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November

PUTTENHAM BONFIRE
Saturday 2nd November

INSET DAY
Monday 4th November

PSA MUFTI DAY (CHOCOLATES)
Thursday 14th November

LITTLE SAINTS CHURCH SERVICE
Sunday 24th 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 volunteersignup.org/Q8YHA and follow the instructions on the page. It only takes a few seconds to do. Thank you for volunteering! Tarin Woods tazlina84@gmail.com



✨ **REMINDER!** ✨

THIS IS THE LAST WEEKEND
TO MAKE YOUR
SCARECROWS! WE CAN'T
WAIT TO SEE THEM ALL
NEXT WEEK.

PLEASE DROP THEM OFF AT
DROP OFF AT THE MARWICK
HALL NEXT THURSDAY 24TH.

WE REALLY NEED SOME
HELPERS TO DROP THEM
AROUND THE VILLAGE.
PLEASE LET US KNOW IF
YOU CAN HELP.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO KEEP
YOUR SCARECROW AFTER
THE EVENT PLEASE LET US
KNOW WHEN YOU DELIVER.
OTHERWISE TAZ WILL BE
SCOOPING THEM UP AND
SENDING THEM TO
SCARECROW HEAVEN ON
THE EVE OF FRIDAY 1ST
NOVEMBER!!

LASTLY PLEASE SIGN UP
FOR THE TRAIL IF YOU
HAVEN'T ALREADY. IT'S A
FAB WAY TO KEEP THE
CHILDREN ENTERTAINED
OVER HALF TERM, THE LINK
IS BELOW:

[HTTPS://GOFUND.ME/
C3C58AD6](https://gofund.me/C3C58AD6)



PSA
**Christmas Wreath
Making**

26th November 6.45-9pm
Marwick Hall, Puttenham
£30 per person
Materials and arrival
drink included

Contact Sophie Southwood 07365 719891 to
book
Profits will go to fundraise for the school
Kitchen