



# Perryfields Junior School

## *The Friday Flyer*

Week 23 – March 2024

### Headteacher's Message

Firstly, well done to our Year 3 football squad who competed in an inter-school tournament at Great Baddow on Monday. They played 9 matches and all the team showed great sportsmanship and tried really hard. Against tough opposition we were placed 6<sup>th</sup> overall!

Our Y3-Y6 cross country runners battled with the wet and windy weather (and very muddy conditions) on Tuesday - there were lots of personal bests from all our athletes. Special mention to Thomas W and Brooke N who were placed 3<sup>rd</sup> out of all the Year 5 boys and Year 6 girls - well done everyone!

Also, congratulations to our Year 5/6 mixed netball team who played against Bishops School on Wednesday and won 13-2. Both teams played with great skill, determination and sportsmanship. An excellent result!

I was absolutely blown away by the quality of the project work exhibited during our Science Fair on Thursday. The children were immersed in experiments that challenged their thinking and really benefitted from sharing their scientific knowledge and understanding with their peers. It was also a bonus that our school governors came into school to observe the children's presentations and also that parents came in to look at work across the school. Thank you, Miss Howlett for organising this scientifically insightful day.

Thank you for supporting today's Bandwagon Book Fair. This was a huge success and the school were able to purchase a wide selection of books with the money raised. Hopefully this event will help us to reach our goal of enriching children's knowledge through books and foster a love of reading.

Finally, for those of you who may have missed some school news this week (or have not seen our banner), our recent Ofsted inspection report has now been finalised and you can access this either through our website <https://www.perryfields-jun.essex.sch.uk/page/ofsted/137453> or Ofsted.

I hope you have an outstanding weekend.

Jane Hasler

### Pupil of the Week

Cowell: The Whole Class  
Seuss: The Whole Class  
Walliams: Coby  
Lewis: Isabelle  
Dahl: Lottie  
Rowling: Adeline  
Tolkien: Lilah  
Morpurgo: Rio  
Pullman: Hannah M

Award for  
Outstanding Manners  
Bella – Lewis Class  
Zac – Dahl Class

PE Award  
Archie – Pullman Class

Spelling Award  
Walliams Class

Mrs Siddall's Attendance Award  
Rowling Class – 98.6%

## ATTENDANCE

The national expectation for attendance is 96%. The government has clarified the position regarding the term 'regular' attendance. It means children must be in school EVERY DAY. Every second counts at Perryfields. We must work together to improve attendance and punctuality even more.

Year 3	95.9%
Year 4	97.7%
Year 5	96.4%
Year 6	95.9%



### **Coming Up This Term**

Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	School Sports Clubs, LAMDA & Dance finish
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Year 5 River Walk – email sent 6/3/24 – parent volunteers needed
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	SATS Talk to parents – email sent 9/2/24
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 Easter Service to parents @ 9.15am – email sent 8/3/24
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents Evening – email sent 6/3/24
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents Evening – email sent 6/3/24
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5 Residential deposit due
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Last day of term – School finishes at 1.30pm

### **Reminders/Notices**

**Permission for School Events/Trips** – If asked, please make sure to give your child permission to attend school events and trips through your ScoPay account. Please let the school office know if they are not taking part. Thank you.

**Parking** – Once again, we are having to ask parents not to park in front of the school gates at any time. This can cause problems for both incoming and outgoing traffic and is particularly dangerous at peak times.

**Winter PE Kits** – Please make sure your child has a tracksuit/appropriate clothing for outdoor pe lessons during the colder weather.

**Please note that we can also provide a packed lunch if your child would prefer this. This will be either the baguette, wrap or soft roll and also includes a drink, fruit, cucumber sticks and the dessert of the day.**

		Week: Two				
		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main course	Meat	Fishwich	Sticky Chicken Fillet	Pork Sausage with mashed potato	Macaroni & Cheese	Chicken Chunks
	Vegetarian	Spicy Bean Burger	Quorn Fillet	Vegetarian Sausage	Macaroni & Cheese	Cheese Pinwheel
	Gluten Free	Gluten Free Wrap (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)	As Above	Gluten Free Pork Sausage (if available) Gluten Free Wrap	Gluten Free Macaroni & Cheese	Gluten Free Chicken Nuggets
	Jacket Potato	Baked Beans/Cheese	Baked Beans/Tuna	Tuna/Cheese	Tuna/Cheese	Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo
	Side Dish	Potato Wedges	Crispy Cubed Potatoes and Baked Beans	Gravy	Crusty Bread	Chips Baked Beans
	Vegetables	Salad Bar Sweetcorn	Salad Bar	Mixed Vegetables	Sweetcorn Salad Bar	Salad Bar
	Packed Lunch	Baguette (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)	Wrap (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)	Soft Roll (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)	Baguette (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)	Wrap (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)
	Dessert	Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Apple Crumble and Custard	Toffee Crispy Bar	Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Homemade Cake
	Drinks	Water/Milk	Water/Milk	Water/Milk	Water/Milk	Water/Milk



# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about — SHARING PHOTOS ONLINE

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

School is often a time check-full of milestones for your child, and you may well be eager to share their accomplishments with the world. In today's digital age, sharing images of such precious moments on social media is commonplace, and – while that's a lovely thing to do – it does come with some risks attached. Our guide can help parents and carers to consider the potential dangers and make informed choices about safely sharing photos of their children online.

## INVASIONS OF PRIVACY

Even with the right settings in place, absolutely nothing online is 100% private. Anyone who can view your photos could take screenshots and potentially share them elsewhere. Privacy settings are still important, though, so it's always wise to ensure your social media accounts have them set up; just bear in mind that you can't completely control what happens to anything once it's gone online.

## REVEALING PERSONAL DETAILS

Small details in photos can often reveal personal information. Backgrounds can give clues to where you live, for example, while school logos on uniforms, sports kits, or bags could help someone identify which school your child attends. With interactive maps and reverse image searches commonplace online, information like this could easily be misused by an individual with malicious intentions.

## MISUSE OF IMAGES

Once something's been shared online, it's almost impossible to get it deleted. Photos can show up in search engine results and be downloaded, manipulated, and shared without consent. There's the potential for someone's images to be used for advertising purposes (which in many cases, isn't illegal) or even more inappropriate reasons, such as cyber-bullying or serious forms of exploitation.

## ONLINE GROOMING

Pictures that convey details about your child's interests, activities, or daily routines could arm an online predator with the kind of information they can deploy to gain a child's trust. They might use this knowledge to pretend to be the same age as the child or to have a shared hobby. Essentially, the more a predator knows about a young person, the easier it is for them to invent some 'common ground'.

## PRESSURE TO PLEASE

When their parents or carers share notable moments and accomplishments in a child's life on social media, some children may begin to feel an expectation to always meet certain standards, to achieve things, or to behave in ways that are 'worth sharing'. Knowing that other people (even friends and family) can see these posts on social media might also add to the pressure they're feeling internally.

## IMPACT ON DIGITAL FOOTPRINT

Every photo of a child posted online contributes to their digital footprint. Young people's lives have never been so closely and publicly documented as they are now, and this permanent online presence could affect a child's future opportunities or the choices they make as they grow up – in addition to influencing how they see themselves and, consequently, their emotional wellbeing.

## Advice for Parents & Carers

### REVIEW SETTINGS REGULARLY

Make sure your social media's secure in terms of who can view your content or see your location (only family and trusted friends, for example). Privacy settings aren't totally foolproof, but they do make it tougher for strangers to access your pics. Reviewing your settings regularly is also a good starting point for conversations with your child about managing their own social accounts when they're older.

### CHECK YOUR PHOTOS

Photos of your child shouldn't provide any clues to where they live or go to school; even a house number, street name, or car number plate could be a giveaway. Cover up or blur out school logos, too. If you really want to share a particular pic, you could post a watermarked or low-res version, which can help to discourage misuse as these images are less appealing to download or reproduce.

### CONSIDER OTHER CHILDREN

When taking a group photo, make sure you get parents' or carers' permission to share it on social media. There may be an important safeguarding reason for them not wanting their child's photo posted publicly online, or it might simply not tally with their personal beliefs or cultural background. A quick conversation in advance, just to make sure, is usually hugely appreciated.

### THINK AHEAD

Try to consider the longer-term implications of what you post. Would you be happy with that photo being online in 10 years' time? Would your child still be OK with the image when they're older? Once your child is mature enough, you could ask for their consent before posting; it respects their privacy, fosters trust and understanding, and helps them to start thinking about their own online life.

## Meet Our Expert

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