

PURLEY OAKS PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSERY and CHILDREN'S CENTRE BYNES ROAD SOUTH CROYDON CR2 0PR

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5th September 2023

Dear parents and carers,

I hope you all had a wonderful summer and are looking forward to your children returning to Purley Oaks for another fantastic year of learning.

I would especially like to welcome our new children in nursery and reception classes and the other children who have recently joined us. I am sure you will be very happy here.

This year, Purley Oaks will be celebrating its 150th anniversary. We will hold some events for all to enjoy – details to follow.

This half-term, we will be holding 'Meet the Teacher' meetings in the hall for each year group. Later in the term, we will hold parents' evenings and there will be open mornings for parents and carers of children who are due to start nursery and reception in September 2024. Our House Captains and Ambassadors will show visitors around the school. It is a wonderful experience and we have received many compliments about our Year 6 children. They speak with passion and knowledge about Purley Oaks and our visitors are always impressed. If you have younger children who are due to start school next year, please do attend one of our open mornings.

A list of important dates for parents and carers to note for the Autumn term will always be visible on Weduc 'Notices' to ensure that you do not miss any important events.

You may have seen recent media coverage regarding Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) and its use in educational settings.

I wanted to inform you that we are not affected as we do not have RAAC in any of our buildings and therefore they will continue to function as normal. I understand that parents may want to understand more about the support to educational settings to manage RAAC safely. You can read more through the article published by the DfE on the Education Hub.

At Purley Oaks, we strive to maintain positive partnerships with you. Teachers are available before school and after school on the playgrounds. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to discuss matters with them.



Finally, just a reminder that the Mayor of London is funding a free school meal everyday for all London primary school pupils (this does not include pupils in nursery) for this academic year. Please can we ask you to ensure that outstanding dinner debts for the academic year September 2022 to July 2023 have been cleared by the end of September.

By working closely together, there is no limit to what our children can achieve.

Yours sincerely,

KJ Eff.

Mr R J Griffin Headteacher

Important Dates to Note:

Meet the Teacher - school hall

- Year 1 11/09 at 9.00am
- Year 2 12/09 at 9.00am
- Year 3 13/09 at 9.00am
- Year 4 14/09 at 9.00am
- Year 5 15/09 at 9.00am
- Year 6 12/09 at 6.00pm
- Please come to the school hall. Gate 2 on Bynes Road

Parents Evening

- 10th October 3.30 to 7.00pm in-person appointments only
- 12th October 3.30pm to 5.30pm in-person appointments only

Nursery and Reception Open Mornings for September 2024 Admissions

- 3rd, 5th, 10th and 12th October at 9.30am
- Please come to the school hall. Gate 2 on Bynes Road