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Edition 11: Friday 28th November 2025

Dates for your Diary

Fri 28 th Nov	Solar Express Panto for EYFS, Y1, Y2 and Y3
Mon 1 st Dec	Christmas Post Box opens
Mon 1 st Dec	U11 Boys' Football 12.15 departure for Long Lane
Mon 1 st Dec	U11 Girls' Football match at PDP 3pm
Tues 2 nd Dec	U11 Girls' Football 1pm departure for Westende
Thurs 4 th Dec	Netball match at PDP 3.30pm
Fri 5 th Dec	PDSA Christmas Jumper Sale 3.15pm
Tues 9 th Dec	EYFS Nativity 10am
Weds 10 th Dec	Rock Steady Assembly 9.15am
Weds 10 th Dec	Christmas lunch and class parties
Thurs 11 th Dec	EYFS Nativity 2pm
Tues 11 th Dec	U9 Girls' Football @ Hungerford
Fri 12 th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day

**more info coming soon*

This week at Parsons Down...

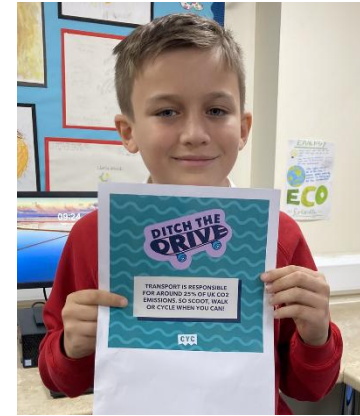
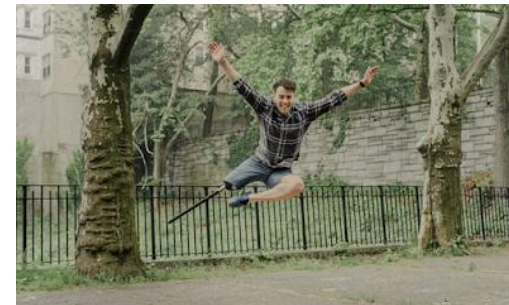
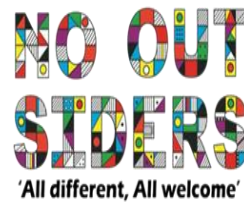
- ✓ This week's **attendance** for EYFS and Key Stage 1 was 98.6% and for Key Stage 2 it was 94.4%.
- ✓ The festive season is almost upon us. We sent out a letter with all of our **Christmas** dates and events on. A huge thank you to the PDSA for paying for Friday afternoon's pantomime for our younger pupils. It was a brilliant performance, linked perfectly with our Eco Schools work and certainly spread some festive joy. Year 4-6 will have a Christmas move afternoon nearer Christmas.
- ✓ **Sporting fixtures are continuing at pace.** This week it was the turn of **U11 Boys**. Two tough afternoons and we're really proud of all of the children that took part. They have faced some significant challenges in recent matches but their perseverance paid off yesterday afternoon. Well done boys! We have more matches next week and are struggling with kit. **If you have any of our sports kits at home please wash it over the weekend and return it on Monday**
- ✓ The **Eco Council** continue to be busy. On Monday they planted bulbs on the roundabout with Mrs Dillon and Miss Hargood and on Tuesday they led a very informative assembly to share their plans for this year. They have done a fabulous job and I'm very proud of them.
- ✓ The Eco Council are also working with Mrs B to put together a **digital recipe book for the Good Grub Club**. It will contain all of the Good Grub Club recipes but we would really like you to help contribute to the content. If you have a healthy recipe you would like to share that is cheap to make or eco friendly, please share in the comments or email me directly on ecocoordinator@pdp.w-berks.sch.uk. We would like recipes for the following sections: Budget Friendly Meals, Seasonal Recipes (using seasonal fruit/veg - please tell us if it is for Spring, Summer, Autumn or Winter), Plant-based (Vegan) or Vegetarian Recipes, Plastic Free Snacks. We really look forward to working with you on this project.
- ✓ In this week's assemblies, we have been continuing to discuss our **OPAL project (Outdoor Play and Learning)** The sandpit has been incredibly popular this week and next week we are adding in some new loose parts. It is very muddy and soggy in places. Wellies are essential and waterproofs will hopefully mean less washing and your child can access all areas. We do have some spare wellies and waterproofs in Hedgehog class. Do you have any old wellies or waterproof you could donate? Please put them in our blue OPAL box in the car park. Thank you!
- ✓ We just wanted to remind parents that unless they are dropping off or picking up from Twilight or have a prior agreement with the school you shouldn't be parking in the car park. We appreciate the car parking is limited and politely request Twilight parents use the roundabout in the morning where possible.

Finally, be kind, be safe, be respectful, Mrs Bull

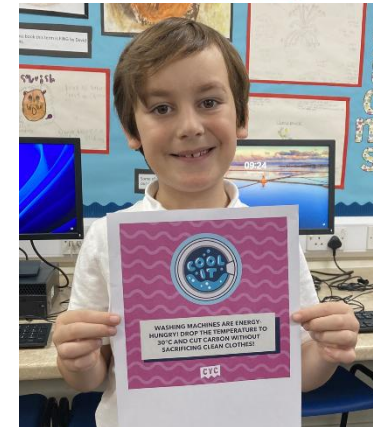


The Week in Pictures

This week's Play Detective photos, Eco Councillors in action, No Outsiders, U11 boys' football team, Year 2 enjoying learning about Captain Scott, and news from the PDSA



CUT YOUR CARBON





PDSA News

- Once again, we will be holding a Christmas Jumper sale and are looking for donations of old Christmas jumpers.
- The Christmas Fayre is on Friday 12th December from 3.15-4.30pm and we're looking for volunteers. Can you help? Click on the link to sign up https://volunteersignup.org/XFE9M?fbclid=IwY2xjawOP9mZleHRuA2FlbQlxMABicmlkETA4aVljNFA1SVNiSDhBMndac3J0YwZhchBfaWQQMjlyMDM5MTc4ODlwMDg5MgABHnQil95bGHU0RuXsai2RUa4k7P58XM_1nH73AgcCzCLm4kyxo1DWIOtf0YQd_aem_c-wnu9qO7AVW2_COMnhITw
- Thanks to your support and fundraising we were able to pay to Friday's panto.

