

# **Purbrook Infant School**

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#### **Easter Echo**



#### Reminder: Year 1 Pirate School: Monday 16 April

Captain Blackbeard and his Crew have invited children in Year 1 to Pirate School. Please can the children come to school dressed as a pirate for the day and be ready to learn lots of pirate skills. Daggers, cutlasses and aggressive parrots need to stay at home please!!

#### **Easter Bonnets**

As always the hats you and your children made for our Easter Bonnet Parade showed great creativity and imagination and looked absolutely amazing. Unfortunately the weather was not on our side and we had to cancel the parade. Thank you very much for your effort and your support.

#### Year 2

The Year 2 Team would like to say a big thank you to the parents who have supported their children with the homework challenge of creating a Great Fire of London scene. They have had some in now and they look really good.

#### **Writing Challenge**

Well done to everyone who has taken part in the writing challenge. Winners will be announced in an assembly after Easter.

## **Ground Force Day**

Thankfully the weather was good on Saturday, and much was accomplished. The free trees and hedgerows were planted, the flower beds were tidied up and a group of children were kept busy litter picking.

Thank you to the PTFA and Mrs Owen and Mrs Rolfe for organising the Ground Force day and to all those of you who came along with your children and helped.

#### **Spring B Forest School**

This half-term, Year 1 have been exploring how the plants and trees grow and change during spring time. They have learnt about how birds make different types of nests and ways to keep the chicks safe. Some of the children learnt the skill of weaving and created some colourful 'God's Eyes'. We really enjoyed making bread in class and then being able to cook it over the campfire in the afternoon. The weather has been very variable this half-term; we've had heavy rain, snow, wind and on occasion some sun! It has been good to see that the children are well equipped for the different weather conditions and have been able to enjoy the experience of being outside in all weathers.



# Request from Forest School Leaders: Socks and Straw!

This half term children in Year R will be making hobby horses and they would be grateful to receive donations of clean adult socks and straw for the stuffing. These hobby horses will be "Knight's Steeds".

#### **School Nurse Drop In**

The Havant School Nurse Team are offering a "School Nurse Health Drop In" on Tuesday 10 April between 12pm and 2pm at Park Community School, Middle Park Way, Havant, PO9 4BU and can be accessed through the main school reception, the nurses will be available in the dining area.

## Happy's Circus (PTFA News)

Reminder to buy your tickets to come and watch this event which are priced at £8.50 each. Come and join us for this fantastic fundraiser which only happens once every three years.

Help is needed for setting up and helping at the mini fayre and circus. A sign up sheet is available at reception.

Raffle tickets were sent out this week – first prize is £100. More tickets are available from the school office.

On Friday 20 April the children are invited to come in to school wearing bright colours in exchange for bringing in something for the tombola.

#### **New Lunch Menu**

These were sent home yesterday.

#### Clubs

Dance, Choir, football, reading and all music clubs will recommence the first week back after the Easter Break.

#### **Attendance**

I am pleased to be able to inform you that 66 children achieved 100% attendance this term with no more than three late marks. They will be bringing home their certificates today. I hope that we can build on this and achieve even better attendance next term!

## **Reporting Absence**

A reminder that as well as telephoning the school, you can also report your child's absence via a company called **Studybugs** which enables you to go online via a phone or computer to report your child's absence securely. To get the free Studybugs app, or register on their website go to (<a href="https://studybugs.com/about/parents">https://studybugs.com/about/parents</a>). If your child is unwell it is your responsibility to inform the school of this.

## Dogs on the playground

We have been advised that someone has been bringing a dog onto the school playground. Please can we remind you that dogs are not allowed on the school site. If this continues, please can you make us aware of this so that we can speak to the person concerned directly. Many thanks.

# **Lunch Menu**

When we return after the Easter we will be on: Week 1. Please click on the following link to access the menu online: menu. Paper copies are on the notice boards by the North Door and the South Door and in Wagtails' Class window.

Finally, as we close for the holidays after a busy and successful term I should like to wish you all a very Happy Easter. I do hope that you can all enjoy spending some time relaxing with your children. Let's hope that we have some dry, warmer weather so that we can all make the most of the holidays and spend some time outdoors.

School closes today at 3.15pm and reopens on Monday 16 April at 8.45am.

Yours sincerely

Mrs L A de Carteret

Headteacher