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Friday Flier

Christmas Cards
If you ordered Christmas cards from your child's art work, these were sent home earlier this week. Please notify the school office of any discrepancies as a matter of urgency. Please collect any mugs from the school office.

Remembrance Day – Wednesday 11 November
To mark the occasion, children who are members of the Girl Guide/Scouting movement are invited to come to school dressed in their **Rainbows, Brownies, Beavers, Cubs, or** uniform. Sensible shoes please. We are aware that this is also a Forest School/PE Day for children in Year 1 but would ask that they wear long trousers which are suitable for both Forest School and PE.

Additional Forest School Sessions for Year 1: Wednesday 11 November
As previously advised, we are offering Year 1 additional sessions this half term. We are aware that this falls on a PE day that afternoon but would ask that they wear long trousers which are suitable for both Forest School and PE.

Breakfast and Beehive Invoices
On Monday Mrs Gibson emailed invoices to parents. Your Breakfast Club invoice should be paid in full by Monday 09 November and the first Beehive payment should be made by Friday 13 November and the final payment received by Friday 27 November. Prompt payment is much appreciated as the club is totally self-funded and does not receive any government funding. As per previous communications, we will no longer be sending out requests for payments, the dates are clearly displayed on our invoices and reminders will be put on the Friday Flier. Late payment fees will be applied as necessary and in the event of non-payment, your child's place will be withdrawn and will be offered to another child. Payment will still be due.

Year 2 Transfer to Junior School: September 2027
On Saturday 31 October we sent out a letter, via ParentMail, providing you with information on how to apply for a Year 3 place.



Reminder: Children in Need – Friday 13 November – let's raise lots!
This year we have again chosen to support this very worthwhile charity. On this day the children can come to school in non-school uniform, Pudsey merchandise or something spotty in return for a suggested donation of £1. Please can we ask that the clothes are suitable for school, for example, no back fastenings and that they are warm enough for the playground.

Reminder: Mental Health Support Team (CAMHS) Workshops
We are pleased to invite parents and carers to a series of three workshops run directly by the **Mental Health Support Team under CAMHS**. All three sessions will take place here at the school, lasting approximately 45 minutes each.
Please see below for the schedule and how to book your place for the first upcoming session:

Workshop 1: Supporting Children's Emotional Regulation

- **Date & Time:** Thursday 12 November (9:00am – 10:00am)
- **Focus:** Practical strategies for supporting children experiencing emotional dysregulation.

To view the poster: Please click the following link: Supporting Children's Emotional Regulation

To Secure Your Place: Please click here to complete the Booking Form

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Save the Dates (Future Workshops)

- Workshop 2: Anxiety in Children – Thursday 7th January (9:00am – 10:00am)
- Workshop 3: Low Mood in Children – Thursday 18th March (9:00am – 10:00am)

Important Reminder: Breakfast Club Location Change

Thank you for your support following the move of Breakfast Club to the school hall. The change has been very successful and the children have settled well into the new arrangements.

We would just like to remind parents and carers that Breakfast Club is now located in the hall, as we are still seeing a small number of families arriving at the office.

You can click on the following link to access the original letter for full details: Letter re Breakfast Club Change of Location

School Photos – Closing date

A reminder that if you wish to purchase your child's school photograph that the closing date for ordering online is Tuesday 10 November. Late orders will incur a charge by the photographic company.

Governor News from Diana Hutchins – Chair of Governors

As Governors one of our key roles is engaging with the school community through visits, events, and parents' evenings, strengthening our connection and working together toward shared goals.

This week I attended the first Open Morning for prospective parents. The morning was well attended and there was much positive feedback. The school was a hive of activity from Year 2 working on Maths activities, Year 1 creating posters for a lost hat and Year R encountering many activities linked to fireworks. As a Governor it is a privilege to see the school "in action" and to see and hear the children becoming confident, enthusiastic and resilient learners. If you wish to contact the Governors you can do so using governor@purbrook-inf.hants.sch.uk or if urgent through Mrs Dean in the school office.

Parking and Driving Sensibly

We have once again received a complaint from one of our neighbours regarding parents parking inconsiderately and blocking access to a residential driveway.

We appreciate that parking around the school can be challenging at busy drop-off and collection times. However, we kindly ask all parents and carers to be considerate of our neighbours and the wider community when parking and driving near the school.

Please ensure that driveways, dropped kerbs and access points are kept clear at all times, and take extra care when manoeuvring around the school site. Parking a little further away and walking the final few minutes can often help to reduce congestion and improve safety for everyone. Thank you for your support in helping us maintain positive relationships with our neighbours and for keeping our school community safe.

Busy Bees

These children received their Busy Bee Stamp this week and this was celebrated in a year group assembly:

***Year R**: Sam P.* ***Year 2:** Camilla C and Marnie M.*

These children finished their busy bee certificates and have received a Busy Bee Motif which can be sewed onto their jumpers/cardigans: Franky P.

Class Reading Challenge: Raffle Winners

I am delighted to let you know that the class winners of this week's raffle were:

- Robins' Class
- Blackbirds' Class
- Owls' Class

Makaton Star of the Week is: *Jesse L*

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 (https://studybugs.com/about/parents). If your child is unwell, it is your responsibility to inform the school of this.

Forest School Sessions

Timetables for this half term have already been sent out and the timetable for next week is shown below. Paper copies are on the notice boards by the North Door and the South Door Additional PE sessions will take place on Tuesday for children in Year 1 and on Monday for children in Year 2. Please note that Forest School/PE sessions take place on an alternative week's basis. You are also able to check the timetable by clicking the following links:

Year R: Autumn B Forest and PE Timetable

Year 1 and Year 2: Autumn B Forest and PE Timetable

Year R		
Date	**Forest School**	**PE**
Thursday 12 November	Kingfishers	Wagtails
		Robins

Year 1		
Date	**Forest School**	**PE**
Wednesday 11 November	Woodpeckers	Blackbirds
		Doves

Year 2		
Date	**Forest School**	**PE**
Thursday 12 November	Owls	Kestrels
		Eagles

Lunch Menu

This is available for parents to view and order online. Please go to https://app.schoolgrid.co.uk/ where you can view and order a lunch for your child.

Ordering in Advance: You can order in advance for the whole week (possibly longer). If you do this but then your child is not in school before 9.15am because you are late or are taking them to an appointment but you haven't informed us of this, **their lunch request will be cancelled** and you will need to provide them with a packed lunch. Whilst lunches are free to parents, the school has to pay for these.

If your child has an appointment and will be in late but requires a lunch that day, please let us know by leaving the school a voicemail. We have set up a designated telephone option – option 4. You can pre-order a lunch or leave us a message (before 9.15am). We just need you to let us know that your child will be in later that day. Please do not leave a message on the normal absence line as staff may not get to your message in time and your child's lunch will be cancelled.

Yours sincerely



Mrs L A de Carteret
Headteacher