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Friday Flier



I have thoroughly enjoyed my first year as Headteacher at Purbrook Infant School. You have wonderful children and the teachers and support staff are a magnificent team, they have made me feel so welcome that I feel like I have been here much longer. Both the children and I are lucky to be working with such professional staff who really care about the children and work so hard to ensure that they are all happy and successful. Thank you for your continued support.

Thank yous!

PTFA: On behalf of the children and staff I should like to thank all members of the PTFA for their support and hard work throughout the year and particularly to our chairperson, Lesley Parris.

Parent Helpers: I should like to thank all those of you who have given up your time to assist the staff in classrooms across the school, and by accompanying the children on trips which have supported their learning in the classroom.

Governors: Thank you too, to all members of the school's governing body who work hard behind the scenes to ensure that all the children at Purbrook Infant School make the best possible start to their formal education.

Goodbye and Good luck to Year 2 children

Today we say goodbye to our Year 2 children. We wish them happiness and success as they transfer to their junior schools and the next stage of their learning. Many of them will continue, I am sure, to be regular visitors during their time at Purbrook Junior School and the staff look forward to their visits and hearing of their progress.

Goodbye to Mrs Baker, Mrs Cailes, Mrs Longley and Mrs Owen

Today we bid farewell to four members of staff and we wish them every success with their future plans. We do hope that they will be regular visitors to the school.

New Member of the Office Team

After a successful round of interviews, I can inform you that Mrs Michelle Parker will be joining the office team in September.

Year 2 Leavers' Production

Congratulations to all the Year 2 children on their super performances. It was lovely to see so many parents, grandparents and friends there to watch them and I am sure all of those who saw the shows will agree they did themselves, us and you proud. Thanks to your kind donations we raised £180.35 towards our new library.

PTFA Leavers' Disco

Thank you very much to the PTFA on behalf of the Year 2 children for organising this fabulous event. I am sure all the children will enjoy themselves and will be wowed by the magic and thoroughly enjoy the disco provided by Adam the Magic Musicman.

After School Reading Club: Reading Club will resume on **Monday 10 September.** (It will not run in first week we return to school.)

Attendance

I am pleased to be able to inform you that 102 children achieved 100% attendance this term with no more than three late marks. There were 9 children who achieved 100% attendance for the whole year, with no more than three late marks per term.

Medication held for Year 2 Children

Any inhalers/medication we hold and which has not been collected will be taken to Purbrook Junior School. They will however require you to complete a medical consent form prior to administering the inhaler/medication.

Parents of children in Year 1 and Year 2 in September - arrival arrangements for the first day of the Autumn Term

Year 2 children should arrive at 8.45am and go straight to their classes with all their belongings. Teachers will then direct them to their coat pegs and show them where to put their things away once they have been registered.

Year 1 children should arrive at 9.00am on the first morning only; entry into school is by the North and South Doors. The children should go straight to their class with their belongings and their teachers will help them to put their things away when registers have been completed.

If it is raining, then parents who have children in both year groups are invited to wait in the hall with Year 1 children after dropping off children in Year 2. Otherwise we would be grateful if you would help us by waiting on the playground.

In this way we hope to start the new academic year in a calm and positive way for both the children and yourselves.

Reading Challenge 2018

Many congratulations to Seb McMillan in Year R who has successfully blasted off along the reading challenge and read 150 times at home with no stops along the way.

Reminder of Collection Arrangements For all Classes In September

Year R children through individual classroom doors.

Year 1 children

Blackbirds: through Robins' class door into the small playground.

Doves: through the ICT suite door.

Woodpeckers: through the door closest to main gates (South Door).

Year 2 children

Kestrels and Owls: through the main door adjacent to Owls' class (North Door).

Eagles: through the door closest to main gates (South Door).

Stay and Play Sessions

This bookable session is run by the Havant Family Support Service and will offer a range of learning experiences through craft experiences and messy play. The session is aimed at children aged 8 and under. It is taking place at Sharps Copse on Tuesday 31 July between 10.00am – 12.00pm. To book or for more information please email havant.FSS@hants.gov.uk

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.

Lunch Menu

The menu when we return will be Week 2. Please click on the following link to access the menu online: <u>menu</u>. Paper copies are on the notice boards by the North Door and the South Door and in Wagtails' Class window.

The school closes today at 3.15pm for the summer holidays and will reopen on **Wednesday 5 September** (Monday 3 September and Tuesday 4 September being Inset Days). The half term break is 22 October – 26 October).

On behalf of the staff and governors I should like to wish you all an enjoyable summer break with your children after another very busy and successful school year. I hope that the hot weather continues and that it stays dry so that we can all enjoy being out and about during the holidays wherever we are spending them.

Yours sincerely

Mrs L A de Carteret

Headteacher