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Friday Flier



Year 1 Trip: Thursday 27 February

We still have a few children whose parents have not yet returned their consent forms together with a voluntary contribution. Please can you do this on **Monday when we return after the half term break.** Without your written consent your child **will not** be able to go on the trip and will have to remain in school.

Please can you ensure that your child arrives for school by 8.50am so that we are able to discuss with them the importance of listening to instructions; staying with their adult, and also have time to remind them of our expectations regarding behaviour. We will return to school in time for **normal collection at 3.15pm**.

The clothing children wear for their forest school sessions will be suitable for the trip. The children must wear sensible footwear such as **wellington boots** or **sensible outdoor shoes** with a good grip for this visit. Please ensure they have warm socks with their wellies as Hillier Gardens have advised that children's feet may be cold. We also ask that children wear **trousers**. (They can wear non-school uniform trousers, but advise against jeans if it is forecast to rain) and their school shirts/sweatshirts. Please ensure that your child has a **warm**, **waterproof coat**.

Purbrook Infant and Purbrook Junior School Adventure Play Equipment/Trail

Please can I remind parents that the equipment is only for the use of the children during school hours under the supervision of school staff. Under no circumstances should it be used by children either before school or at the end of the school day. This includes siblings as well.

Fundraising Cake Sale



As you are aware, we are busy fundraising for our library refurbishment. Our next event will be year group cake sales which will take place at the end of the school day on the dates below. We would be very grateful if you could follow the nation's enthusiasm and bake a cake for us to sell so we can raise money for our new



library. Or, if baking is not for you, that you donate some shop bought cakes for us to sell.

Please can we request **NO NUTS** of any kind are included in any of the items donated. If you donate a cake in a container that you would like returned to you, please can you ensure that it is marked clearly with your child's name and class so that we can ensure it makes its way back to you.

We would also be grateful for offers of help. Either to set up before the cake sale or to sell the cakes at the end of the day. Please leave your name at the office if you are able to help.

Year 2: Tuesday 03 March	Year R: Tuesday 17 March	Year 1: Tuesday 24 March
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Forest School Report

This half term we have been making the most of the damp weather and have enjoyed digging in the mud and role playing in the mud kitchen. We have also been searching for insects and spiders under logs and bushes which Year R in particular have really enjoyed. Year 2 have begun to learn how to start fire using the fire steel, which is a challenging skill that requires lots of perseverance and patience. It goes without saying that we stress the importance to them that they cannot start fires or play with fire outside of Forest School or without an adult. We are looking forward to Spring and have started to spot the first signs of new growth around the Forest.

Please can we remind you that children need to have their Forest School clothing in school for their sessions. We only have a few spare sets of wellies and waterproof layers, not enough for everyone in all sizes. It is important that the children are warm and dry so that they are able to fully participate in the sessions as we will aim to get outside in most weathers when it is safe to do so. *Mrs Rolfe and Mrs Garrett.*

Book Week: Dress up Day – Friday 06 March

This year we are inviting the children to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. We will be having a competition to find the most original costume. The winning girl and boy will each receive a book as their prize.

Each child will receive a £1 book token which can be exchanged for a Free World Book Day book or used to get £1 off any book worth £2.99 or more at participating bookshops.

Sport Relief: Friday 13 March

We will once again be supporting this worthwhile charity. We are asking that the children come to school dressed as their favourite sports person and bring in a pound. We do not want you to spend your money purchasing something for your child to wear, anything that you have at home is acceptable. We would rather that this money was donated to the charity instead. All that we ask is that it something that is suitable for school, that they are able to go to the toilet unaided (no back fastenings) and that they wear shoes suitable for the playground.



Children Climbing on Neighbour's Wall

We have received a call from one of our neighbour's asking that we put a note on our flier to request that you do not allow your children to climb/walk on their wall during the school run.

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:

Timetable for this half term was sent out with the 20 December Flier. Paper copies are on the notice boards by the North Door and the South Door. You are also able to check the timetable by clicking the following link: Spring A Timetable

Lunch Menu

When we return after the half term break the menu will be: Week 2. 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.

Half Term Holiday: The school closes today Friday 14 February at 3.15pm (6.00pm for Beehive children) for the half term break. **School will reopen on Monday 24 February** at 8.45am (7.45am for breakfast club children).

Yours sincerely

Mrs L A de Carteret

Headteacher