

# **Purbrook Infant School**

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These past eighteen months have been hard for everyone with so many people tragically losing their lives to this horrible virus. I am however hopeful that when we return in September that we can return to some sort of normality. The Government have removed the "bubbles" so we will be reverting back to just one drop off and collection time. The doors will open at 8.45am and will close at 8.55am and the children will be dismissed at the end of the day at 3.15pm. However, a word of caution, if guidance changes, we will have to act accordingly and possibly at short notice.

Breakfast and Beehive Club will go back into the Year R Unit and parents using this service should come to the main office and use the doorbell marked "Beehive" to drop off and collect their children.

As we will be able to have all the children eating in the hall, we will be able to revert back to the three-weekly full HC3S hot menu. These are now on the school website and a link is also at the end of this Flier.

I would like to thank all the staff who have had to not only teach the children who are in school, but also provide home learning to those children who have to self-isolate. They too have showed how resilient they can be. Staff have learnt new IT skills and we have had to be creative to accomplish our goals. We have become amazing at Google Forms!

# **PTFA Leavers' Disco**

Thank you very much to the PTFA on behalf of the Year 2 children for organising this fabulous event. I am so pleased that we were finally able to put on something from our annual calendar of events. The children all enjoyed themselves and were wowed by the magic and thoroughly enjoyed the disco provided by Adam the Magic Musicman. I think we could have some future dancers in our midst!!

# **Class Winners of the Reading Challenge**

Doves' Class won the reading challenge for this year with the most reads in the whole school and their treat was to have an ice lolly outside under the tree and an extra playtime.

# **Sports Medals**

Sports medals have been awarded to the following children who have showed good sportsmanship, they have cheered on their team mates and have also been proud of the achievement of other children: **Year R**: Danielle Bailey, Talia Bettam, Elijah Coombes, Isla Hale, Alaska Marsh-Donahoe and Henry Pettet. **Year 1**: Thea Andrews, Gabriel Cambrea, Makeyla Dacosta Gonzalez, Evie Gray, Charlie Shepherd and Cruz Shihadeh. **Year 2**: Sofia Anderson, Mai Bartholomew, Pixie-Rose Martin, Brayden Potter, Cody Sewell and Oscar Wright.

# Head Boy and Head Girl

This year we decided to honour some pupils for their continued hard work and effort to school life. The children who go above and beyond every day, not only in their learning but also in everyday school routines, following the Golden Rules and sharing their values with other children. These children have been awarded Head Boy and Head Girl in their class. **Year R:** Jasmine Allen, Evie Griffiths, Harry James, Laya Knight, Ashton Surry and Charlie-Jai Wright. **Year 1:** Oakley Branscombe, Elsie Goddard, Abigail Hanscombe, Hayden Jackson, Joel Spanner and Ella Thompson. **Year 2:** Jude Bakes, Grace Barber, Hattie-Lea Clarke, Sonnie Ellis, Katie Freer and Noah Powell.

# 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 and Welcome**

Today we say goodbye to Mrs Jones who is leaving us after 15 years at the school. We wish her well and are lucky that she will be a regular visitor as she will be staying on as a member of the governing body.

From September we will be welcoming Miss Leck who will be the new teacher in Kingfishers' Class. Miss McKelvey will commence her maternity leave in September.

#### 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.

### Reminder of Drop off and Collection Arrangements For all Classes In September

Year R children through individual classroom doors.

#### Year 1 and Year 2 Children

Class	Morning Drop Off Door	Collection Door
Blackbirds	Door adjacent to Owls' Class. (Known as the North Door.)	Main playground outside the Year R enclosure.
Doves	Door nearest to the main gate. (Known as the South Door.)	External ICT suite door. This is the door adjacent to Robins' Class door.
Woodpeckers	Door nearest to the main gate. (Known as the South Door.)	Door nearest to the main gate. (Known as the South Door.)
Eagles	Door nearest to the main gate. (Known as the South Door.)	Door nearest to the main gate. (Known as the South Door.)
Kestrels	Door adjacent to Owls' Class. (Known as the North Door.)	Door adjacent to Owls' Class. (Known as the North Door.)
Owls	Door adjacent to Owls' Class. (Known as the North Door.)	Door adjacent to Owls' Class. (Known as the North Door.)

#### Fruit

We have been informed that the Fruit in School Scheme will **not** be commencing the first week back. Please can you send your child to school with a piece of fresh or dried fruit. No other type of snack is acceptable.

#### **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 (<u>https://studybugs.com/about/parents</u>). If your child is unwell it is your responsibility to inform the school of this.

#### **Forest School Sessions**

Timetable for this next half term has been sent out with this 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: <u>Autumn A Timetable</u>

#### Lunch Menu

When we return after the Summer Break we will be on 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.

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 is stays dry so that we can all enjoy being out and about during the holidays wherever we are spending them.

The school today at 3.15pm (6.00pm for children attending Beehive) for the summer holidays and will reopen on **Thursday 02 September** (there is no INSET day). The half term break is 25 October –29 October.

Yours sincerely

Mrs L A de Carteret Headteacher