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Friday Flier



What a great, and busy start to the new term it's been already! Year 1 and Year 2 have already had visits from the Wonder Dome and the Birds of Prey. As you will see from the diary dates we are sending out, this term is going to be a busy one!

Jeans for Genes Day

Thank you for supporting this appeal. Altogether we raised an amazing £154.61 for this very worthwhile charity which supports research into genetic diseases as well as supporting children and their families who are affected by genetic disorders.

Macmillan Coffee Morning: Thursday 28 September

We do hope that you are able to pop along to our coffee morning next week. This is a great opportunity to meet other parents and staff informally and to eat yummy cake whilst at the same time raising money for this very worthwhile cause. To steal their phrase, please can you either "bake it or fake it. Cakes can come into school, via your children from **Wednesday 27 September** as this give us time to get everything ready. Please can you ensure that any containers are clearly marked so that these can be returned to you after the event.

Year R Children

On **Wednesday 27 September** we are expecting that our new Year R children will be attending school on a full-time basis, unless your child's class teacher has made another arrangement with you. Classroom doors will open at 8.45am and the children should be in class by 8.55am. Arrivals after this time will need to be booked in via the school office. Children should be collected at 3.15pm from the same afternoon collection point as has been used previously.

Job Opportunity: Local Landscape and Gardening Business looking to hire

This is not something we would normally do, but one of our parents has asked if we would be able to advertise a job that he has available. As this parent has kindly volunteered his services free to the school, this is something we are happy to help with. Please note that all enquires should be made directly to the company and not through the school office. Please see below brief details of the job:

- No experience is needed as on the job training will be provided
- Applicants must be able to drive
- ➤ If you are interested please contact Wayne on 07949 227900 for more details

Harvest Festival

This year we are once again supporting Waterlooville Food Bank. We would be grateful to receive donations of non-perishable food items from Monday 25 September and perishable items on Monday 02 October which the children should take into their classes. Please do not take items to the school office. Food items will be collected by Waterlooville Food Bank and will be distributed to people in the local area who, because of a crisis in their lives are struggling to provide for themselves and/or their families.

Dates for Autumn Term

We have today sent out a list of **planned dates** for your diary. We will try to keep to these dates but sometimes it is necessary to make changes due to circumstances that are beyond our control. Where a change has to be made, we will always try to give you as much notice as possible. These dates are intended to highlight forthcoming events and further information will be relayed nearer the time, if necessary.

Year Group Emails: Year 1 Year 2

If you need to contact your child's class teacher, a reminder that you can do this via the year group inbox. Please note that this inbox is not for urgent updates, however, as teachers check the inbox at varying intervals and we cannot guarantee that they will see the message in time. It is also worth noting that staff are encouraged to check their emails during working hours only, so there may be a delay if you message in the evening.

- Year 1 year1@purbrook-inf.hants.sch.uk
- Year 2 year2@purbrook-inf.hants.sch.uk

Parents of children in Year R will shortly be able to communicate with their child's class teacher via Seesaw.

Busy Bees

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

Year 1: Emma Amin, Molly Brandon, Oscar Evans, Lukas Hutchings and Henry Stray. **Year 2:** Cosomia Bettam, Jared Curtis, Jessie Hall, Kian Lester, Sienna Martin, Matthew McIntyre and Thomas Whitehouse.

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

Class Reading Challenge: Raffle Winners

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

- Woodpeckers' Class
- Owls' Class

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 has already been sent out. 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

Next week's menu will be: Week 3. 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.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher