



# Purbrook Infant School

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## Friday Flier



### Year 1 Extra Forest School Session

We are delighted that we are able to offer the children in Doves' Class an additional Forest School session on the morning of Tuesday 28 November. Please can they come to school wearing their forest school clothing.

### Parental Consultations Next Week

You should by now have booked an appointment to see your child's class teacher using the online booking system.

Most consultations will take place in your child's classroom with the exception of Wagtails' Class and Robins' Class. Wagtails' Class will take place in Mrs de Carteret's office and Robins' Class will take place in Mrs Bailey's Office (signs will be displayed). Please could we ask you to wait until 3.25pm before coming back into school. This will allow teachers time to deliver all children to their parents safely, prepare their classrooms and take a comfort break.

### Christmas Post

As from **Friday 01 December** there will be a Christmas stocking/post box in **each class** which children can post their Christmas cards for friends and staff **at school**. Please could parents ensure that the cards children send have the recipient's **full name** and their **class** on the envelope. Failure to address cards clearly may mean they do not get delivered!! The last day for cards to be posted is Wednesday 13 December: ***Please note, cards received after this date will not be delivered.***

### Christmas Markets: Friday 01 December

The PTFA have been extremely busy going shopping for over 1,600 presents so thank you very much to them for their hard work. Thank you also to all the parents who have signed up via our Google Form to come in to help wrap up the presents. More helpers are still needed. Please use this form if you are able to help. [Christmas Market Helper Form](#)

If you have indicated that you are able to help, we are reliant on this happening so please do let us know if something unexpected crops up at short notice and you are suddenly no longer able to help.

On Wednesday please provide your child with a **named carrier bag** in which the gifts they have selected can be brought home. The children will take this with them when they "go shopping". Please note that the school no longer has a supply of carrier bags to provide to the children if they come to school without a carrier bag.

Thank you also to all the parents and staff who have taken rolls of wrapping paper home to cut down to size.

### PTFA Advent Calendars for the Children

Next week all the children will be coming home with a chocolate advent calendar which has been kindly provided by our PTFA.

### Pantomime – Monday 04 December – Mufty Day

On this day the children will all see a theatre production performed by a professional company called "Beauty and The Beast". This is being organised by the PTFA and we are asking for a voluntary donation of £2 per child to help cover the cost as this is very expensive. All the children will also be provided with a chocolate treat and may come to school dressed in non-school uniform. Please ensure your child has shoes suitable for the playground.

We would like to thank the PTFA on behalf of all the children for organising and paying for this event from their fund-raising efforts.

### Christmas Wreath Making Event: Tuesday 05 December

If you have not yet booked and would like to come along and have a go at making your own Christmas wreath, please click on the following link for more details on how to book [Wreath Making Event](#)

### Owls' Class Maternity Cover Teacher

I am delighted to inform you that following a successful round of interviews we have appointed Mrs Pleshette to cover Miss McKelvey's maternity leave. Mrs Pleshette has been in school getting to know the children and will work closely alongside Miss McKelvey and Mrs Cooper to ensure a smooth handover.

### Reminder of Dates for the Remainder of the Autumn Term

Monday 27 November	INSET Day
Tuesday 28 November	Open Morning for new Year R entrants 2024
Tuesday 28 November	Formal Parents evening: 3.30pm – 6.00pm
Thursday 30 November	Formal Parents evening: 3.30pm – 6.00pm
Thursday 30 November	Year 2 Christingle rehearsal at church: 9.45am
Friday 01 December	Christmas Markets
Monday 04 December	PTFA Provided Pantomime and Mufty Day
Monday 04 December	Year R Forest school event: 3.15pm
Tuesday 05 December	Year 1 Forest School event: 3.15pm
Tuesday 05 December	Year R Concert: 9.15am
Tuesday 05 December	Year 1 Christmas Production: 2.15pm
Tuesday 05 December	Wreath Making Workshop: 6.30pm
Wednesday 06 December	Year 1 Christmas Production: 9.30am
Wednesday 06 December	Year R Concert: 2.30pm
Thursday 07 December	Year 2 Forest School event: 3.15pm
Tuesday 12 December	Year 2 Christingle Service at church: 9.45am
Wednesday 13 December	Year 2 Christingle Service: 2.00pm
<b>Thursday 14 December</b>	<b>PTFA Christmas Fayre: School Closing: 1.15pm</b>
Friday 15 December	Santa Visit and Christmas Class Parties
Friday 15 December	Last day of Autumn Term

### Busy Bees

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

**Year R:** Archie Ferguson **Year 1:** Jazmin Harrold and Isabelle MacGrain.

### Class Reading Challenge: Raffle Winners

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

- Robins' Class
- Woodpeckers' Class
- Kestrels' 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: : [Autumn B Timetable](#)

### Lunch Menu

Next week's 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.

A reminder that Monday 27 November is an INSET day and the school will be closed to the children. We look forward to welcoming back the children on Tuesday 28 November.

Yours sincerely



Mrs L A de Carteret

**Headteacher**