



Purbrook Infant School



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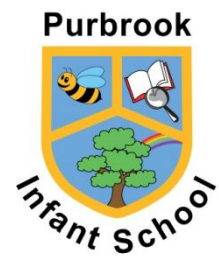


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Friday Flier



A Fond Farewell

We are deeply saddened to announce that today we said goodbye to a truly loved and long-serving member of our Purbrook Infant School family. After an incredible 30 years of dedicated service, Mrs Neil has made the difficult decision to retire.

Mrs Neil has touched the lives of countless children and families over the years with her warmth, wisdom, and unwavering commitment. Her kindness, gentle presence, and passion for nurturing young minds have left an indelible mark on our school community, and she will be sorely missed by both staff and pupils alike.

Please do ask your child about the special farewell song they sang in her honour—it was a touching moment.

We are, however, thrilled to share that this is not a final goodbye. She isn't even having a well-earned break. Mrs Neil will be returning after half term to continue doing what she loves most—reading with the children and inspiring imaginations as our Thursday reading volunteer.

We wish her every happiness in this new chapter and look forward to welcoming her back in her new volunteer capacity.

INSET Days for Next Year: Purbrook Infant and Purbrook Junior School

- Wednesday 03 September 2025
- Friday 19 December 2025
- Friday 13 February 2026
- Monday 01 June 2026
- Wednesday 22 July 2026

PTFA Smartie Challenge

As per the letter we sent out earlier today, please check your child's bookbag for the tube of Smarties. Please do not throw it away but fill and return with coins. Many thanks.

Busy Bees

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

Year R: *Elsie Allen, Bradley Burrows, Tobias Russell, Sophie Townsend, Henry Treagust and Oakley York.*

Year 1: *Freya Brooker, Tommy Foster, Tommy Harding, Darcie Spencer, Isla Taylor and Annabelle Williamson.*

Year 2: *Sienna Cook, Emma Hurdley, Jensen Morley, Max Parsons and Henry Stray.*

Class Reading Challenge: Raffle Winners

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

- Robins' Class
- Doves' 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

Timetables for next half term have been sent today and the timetable for the first week back is shown below. Paper copies are on the notice boards by the North Door and the South Door. Additional PE sessions will take place on Tuesday for children in Year 1 and on Friday for children in Year 2. You are also able to check the timetable by clicking the following links:

[Year R Summer B Forest and PE Timetable](#)

[Year 1 and Year 2: Summer B Forest and PE Timetable](#)

Year R		
Date	Forest School	PE
Thursday 05 June	Robins	Wagtails
		Kingfishers

Year 1		
Date	Forest School	PE
Wednesday 04 June	Woodpeckers	Blackbirds
		Doves

Year 2		
Date	Forest School	PE
Thursday 05 June	Owls	Kestrels
		Eagles

Lunch Menu

This is available for parents to view and order online. Please go to <https://app.schoolgrid.co.uk/> where you can view and order a lunch for your child.

Ordering in Advance: You can order in advance for the whole week (possibly longer). If you do this but then your child is not in school before 9.15am because you are late or are taking them to an appointment but you haven't informed us of this, **their lunch request will be cancelled** and you will need to provide them with a packed lunch. Whilst lunches are free to parents, the school has to pay for these.

If your child has an appointment and will be in late but requires a lunch that day, please let us know by leaving the school a voicemail. We have set up a designated telephone option – option 4. You can pre-order a lunch or leave us a message (before 9.15am). We just need you to let us know that your child will be in later that day. Please do not leave a message on the normal absence line as staff may not get to your message in time and your child's lunch will be cancelled.

The school closes today for the half term break and reopens on **Tuesday 03 June at 7.45 for children attending Breakfast Club and 8.45am for all other children.** Monday is an Inset day and the school is closed to pupils. I hope that you have a peaceful and relaxing break with your children and that the weather is fine so we can all enjoy getting out and about.

Yours sincerely



Mrs L A de Carteret
Headteacher