

# **Purbrook Infant School**

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# **Friday Flier**



"Welcome back" to parents of Year 1 and Year 2 children. Thank you for being patient at the end of the day whilst we have been implementing our new password collection arrangements. This will continue until next Wednesday.

On Thursday we will be going back to the normal end of the day door opening time of 3.15pm as by now most of the teachers will be familiar with the parents. Passwords will still be required if another staff member is dismissing the children or a different adult is collecting your child.

The children all look so lovely and smart in their school uniforms and there were so many happy smiles this week. It has been a very positive start for all our children and there is a calm and enthusiastic learning atmosphere throughout the school. Children in Year 1 and Year 2 have settled back into school routines happily and are establishing friendships in their classes and are getting to know their new class teachers and their expectations as regards work and behaviour.

I would also like to warmly welcome all parents of Year R children and particularly those parents who have not previously had children at our school. We look forward to getting to know your children and all of you over the coming weeks and months.

#### **Diary Dates**

We have been busy planning dates for this term and we are hoping that these will be ready to send out next week.

#### **Water Bottles**

We will again be sending the bottles home every Friday so that parents can clean these. Please can you ensure that these are sent into school every Monday. These will be rinsed and refilled daily.

#### Date for your Diary: Jeans for Genes Day 19 September

Friday, 19 September is Jeans for Genes Day. Jeans for Genes is run by a charity called Genetic Disorders UK and is an event that we support annually. The charity carries out important research into genetic disorders which affect many children and their families. We ask that children wear their jeans to school on this day, with their normal school shirts and sweatshirts and suitable school shoes. In return for wearing their jeans, we ask that children bring in voluntary contributions. The money will then be collected from classes and sent off to help support the important work that this charity carries out. As a school we can, together, help to make a real difference.

### Year R alternate Jeans for Genes Day: Thursday 18 September

As Year R children are still attending school on alternate days and we don't want them to miss out, children who will not be in school on Friday can have their Jeans for Genes Day a day earlier.

## **Breakfast and Beehive After School Club Invoices**

On Wednesday Mrs Gray emailed invoices to parents and a payment should be made against your account shortly.

# **Cool Milk**

If you would like your child to have milk in the morning whilst they are at school and you have not yet ordered this for your child, please go to <a href="www.coolmilk.com">www.coolmilk.com</a>. Please be advised that orders take some days to be processed before we are made aware.

## Library Summer Reading Challenge: Finishes Saturday 13 September

If your child hasn't completed the challenge yet, visit the library and tell them about the books your child has read to get a medal and certificate.

#### Forest School Sessions: Years 1 and 2

Timetables for this half term have been sent out today and the timetable for next week 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 link:

# Year 1 and Year 2: Autumn A Forest and PE Timetable

Year 1			
Date	Forest School	PE	
Wednesday	Doves	Blackbirds	
10 September		Woodpeckers	

Year 2			
Date	Forest School	PE	
Thursday	Owls	Kestrels	
11 September		Eagles	

Year R: We will send out the Forest School Timetable in due course

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

#### **Lunch Menu**

This is available for parents to view and order online. Please go to <a href="https://app.schoolgrid.co.uk/">https://app.schoolgrid.co.uk/</a> 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.

Year R children – lunches will be ordered in class until all children are attending full time.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher