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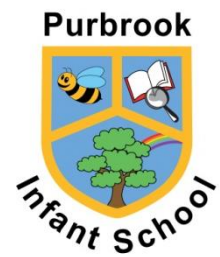


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Friday Flier



Makaton Marvels

This week Year R Makaton Marvels were awarded their badges. They will be learning the sign of the week for Year R and showing the whole school in assembly. Makaton Marvels also take part in our Makaton advent calendar later in the year. Bear Brooks, Alycia Gillingham, Theodore Harris, Alexander Kuss, Barbora Lukauskyste and Olivia Norman.

School Photographs will be taken on Monday 13 October (individual)

Please ensure that your child is in school uniform with their hair etc as you would like it for their photograph.

Macmillan Coffee Afternoon: Change of Date now Monday 20 October

Unfortunately, it was necessary to change this date. Please refer to the letter we sent out earlier today for more information.

Headlice

We have had a number of reported cases of headlice in **Year R**. Please check your child's head and treat as necessary. We are still advised that the most effective way of removing head lice is using the wet-combing method as described below:

- Wash the hair using ordinary shampoo and apply ample conditioner, before using a wide-toothed comb to straighten and untangle the hair
- Once the comb moves freely through the hair without dragging, switch to the louse detection comb. Make sure that the teeth of the comb slot into the hair at the roots with the bevel-edge of the teeth lightly touching the scalp
- Draw the comb down to the ends of the hair with every stroke and check the comb for lice
- Remove lice by wiping or rinsing the comb
- Work methodically through the hair section by section so that the whole head of hair is combed through
- Rinse out conditioner and repeat the combing procedure on the wet hair
- Repeat the procedure on day five, nine and thirteen in order to clear the young lice as they hatch, before they have had time to reach maturity. It is extremely important that you repeat on the days advised above.

If you do choose to use a chemical method, your child does not need to remain at home for the whole day. They can return to school after treatment, even if slightly late.

Busy Bees

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

Year R: Harry Denyer, Abraham Eden-Barnard and Kasper Thomas **Year 1:** Betty Bowskill.

Class Reading Challenge: Raffle Winners

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

- Kingfishers'
- Woodpeckers'
- Kestrels'

Makaton Star of the Week is: *Lula Coleman*

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 this half term have already been sent out 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 links:

[Year R Autumn A Forest and PE Timetable](#)

[Year 1 and Year 2: Autumn A Forest and PE Timetable](#)

Year R		
Date	Forest School	PE
Thursday 16 October	Wagtails	Robins
		Kingfishers

Year 2		
Date	Forest School	PE
Wednesday 15 October	Kestrels	Eagles
		Owls

Year 1		
Date	Forest School	PE
Thursday 16 October	Woodpeckers	Blackbirds
		Doves

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.

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher