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Dear Parents and Carers of Children in Year R

Now that we are six weeks into the school year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the smooth and positive start our new children have made at Purbrook Infant School. It has been a pleasure to see them settling into routines, forming new friendships, and embracing school life with such enthusiasm.

As your child continues to grow in confidence and independence, we kindly ask for your support in maintaining some of our key school expectations to ensure consistency for all children.

School Uniform

Our children have made a wonderful start in wearing their school uniform with pride, and we are grateful for your efforts in helping them look smart and ready to learn each day. Just a gentle reminder that:

- Black trainers are perfectly acceptable, as long as they are plain and suitable for active play.
- Hair accessories should be simple and in school colours.
- For PE, children should wear a yellow t-shirt and black shorts or tracksuit bottoms. Football kits, crop tops and hoodies are not permitted.

Book Bags and Personal Items

We understand that some children like to personalise their book bags to make them easier to recognise. However, we ask that this is limited to **one small decorative item or key ring only**. Multiple attachments can make bags bulky, cause damage, and are easily lost, which can lead to upset.

Similarly, we kindly request that toys are kept at home. While we fully appreciate that personal items can be comforting, they can also become a distraction or cause unintentional disputes between children. We have plenty of resources in school to support children who need comfort or sensory tools.

Jewellery and Watches

For safety reasons, children should not wear necklaces, bracelets, or smart watches to school. Once children are able to tell the time accurately (usually in Year 2), they may wear a simple analogue watch if they wish.

These reminders are shared in the spirit of helping our youngest learners feel comfortable, safe, and part of our school community. Thank you for your continued partnership and support in ensuring that Purbrook Infant School remains a place where every child can thrive.

We are excited to see all they will achieve this year.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher