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Dear Parents/Carers

Parent/Carer Survey "You Said, We Did"

Following our parent/carer survey in the summer, which overall we were incredibly pleased with the positive feedback, there were a few keys areas we took away to review between the Governors and the Schools Leadership Team as we continuously strive to do better for our school and its children. An update on these is provided below.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

There was feedback it would be good if there were more choice and availability of after school clubs. Unfortunately, the provision of free clubs is dependent on staff giving up their own time to provide these; currently all teaching staff run at least one club, and one Governor runs a further club. Thank you to all the staff who give up their personal time to run the clubs the school offers.

This term a gymnastics club has been introduced which has proved popular. This club as well as the football and tennis club are run by external providers for which the cost must be passed onto parents/carers.

The school is currently looking at other paid clubs which might be offered in the future. However, these will only be able to run if a minimum number of children have signed up and paid in advance.

If any parents/carers have any time to spare and could support running a club, please contact the school office.

Donations and how spent

There was feedback on the challenges some families face in making donations to support the PTFA, and in turn how the money is spent. At the end of the summer term the PTFA produced a newsletter which clearly showed the money raised and how the money raised had supported the school. The PTFA are currently investigating options to provide a new outdoor adventure playground. If any parents/carers know of any grants available for such projects, please contact the school office so details can be shared with the PTFA. We always make it clear there is no expectation to donate, with clear messaging, give what you can afford- we do recognise the challenging climate we all live in. The Governors would like to thank the PTFA for all their hard work during the year and providing so many different experiences for the children.

Christmas Message

The first term of 2025/26 has flown by, with the new children and staff all settling in and becoming firmly part of the Purbrook Infant School "Family". Our regular visits affirm that the school is a happy, caring and inclusive place which puts the children front and centre of every decision made. The school continues to be well led and managed, continuously striving to improve and we offer thanks to all the fantastic staff and volunteers, who selflessly commit themselves to helping your children to learn and grow together. However you celebrate the festive season, we hope your children have enjoyed the run up to Christmas and that all children, parents/carers and staff are able to enjoy the school holidays with your family, friends and loved ones.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Yours sincerely

Diana Hutchins

Chair of Governors on behalf of the Governing Body