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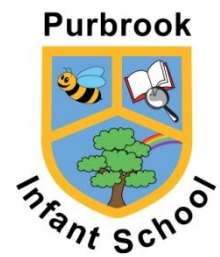


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Summer Reading Challenge: 11 July – 12 September

On Monday the children were visited by staff from the School Library Service who introduced the Summer Reading Challenge to them.

The Summer Reading Challenge is a national scheme run by the Reading Agency with the aim of keeping children reading over the six-week summer break. This year's exciting theme is **Read to the Beat**, which celebrates the incredible connection between the power of storytelling and the magic of music. Developed in partnership with **Universal Music Group UK**, the challenge inspires children to



explore rhythm, song, and performance through books, helping them unlock their own creativity and imagination over the holidays. The children brought home bookmarks with them on Monday.

Year 2 Leaver's Production: Wednesday 15 July at 9.30am and Thursday 16 July at 2.15pm

The children have been busy rehearsing for this event. Please remember to bring your tickets with you as these will be collected at the door. Please also remember to bring tissues with you as this is always an emotional event!

Year 2 Leaver's Party: Friday 17 July

If your child would like to attend the party and you have not yet you have sent in your slip and money for this event, please can you do so by **Monday 13 July**.

Colour Run Thank You

Firstly, we would like to say a huge **thank you** to everyone who has supported our Colour Run fundraiser. We are incredibly grateful for all the sponsorship money that has been raised so far.

We are delighted to announce that, once the match funding from **'Bee Lady's'** fundraising efforts through **B&Q** has been received, together we will have raised a fantastic **£6,000**. This is an incredible achievement, and we are so grateful to everyone who donated, took part and supported the event.

To celebrate the success of the Colour Run, our wonderful PTFA organised mini discos for all the children today, giving everyone the chance to have fun, eat cake, dance with their friends and enjoy the occasion. There were also plenty of drinks and ice poles to help everyone cool down.

The Colour Run was a fantastic afternoon, and it was wonderful to see so many families supporting the event. Every pound raised will help us continue to provide enriching opportunities and resources for our pupils.

Thank you once again for your continued generosity and support of our school community. We couldn't do it without you!

Changes from September

At the end of this academic year, we will be saying goodbye to three much-valued members of our staff team. Miss McKelvey has made the difficult decision to take up a position closer to home. While we are naturally sorry to see her leave, we completely understand her decision and wish her every success in her new role.

Mrs Pleshette will also be leaving us to pursue an exciting new opportunity in another local infant school. We are grateful for the commitment and dedication she has shown during her time at the school and thank her for all she has contributed to our community.

Mrs Eddy, who has worked across all classes supporting children throughout the school, has been offered the wonderful opportunity to work with older children with autism—an area in which she has a particular passion, interest and expertise. Although we will greatly miss her, we know she will make a real difference in her new role.

We would like to thank Miss McKelvey, Mrs Pleshette and Mrs Eddy for everything they have done for our pupils and the wider school community. They will all be greatly missed, and we hope they will keep in touch. On behalf of everyone at the school, we wish them every happiness and success in the next chapter of their careers.

Following a successful recruitment process, we are delighted to welcome three new members of staff to our team.

Mrs Everett will be joining our Owls' Class on Thursdays and Fridays, working alongside Mr Stray. She has already spent time in school, meeting her new class and beginning to familiarise herself with our school routines, and we know she is looking forward to joining us fully in September.

We are delighted to share that Mrs Beacher will be joining Mrs Bailey's Inclusion Team. Mrs Beacher will be working in Year R as a Special Educational Needs Assistant, where she will support our youngest children to thrive both academically and personally.

We are also pleased to welcome Mr Griffiths, who will be taking over Mrs Eddy's role, working across the school to support pupils and staff. We are excited to have him join our team and know he will be a valuable addition to our school community.

We look forward to welcoming Mrs Everett, Mrs Beacher and Mr Griffiths and hope you will join us in making them feel part of our school family.

End of Year Reports

The children will be bringing home their report of progress on Friday 17 July. Please remember to check their bookbags. Accompanying letters will be sent out by ParentMail earlier that day. I would like to thank the teachers for their amazing reports and the effort they have put in over the last few weeks. They have worked for so many hours during their evenings to produce these for you. Please read them with your child, celebrate their successes and comment via the Google form (this will be on the report letter emailed out). We really do want to hear what you have to say. If you have any queries about the report, there will be the opportunity to chat to their teacher on Monday 20 July at 3.15pm Thank you all for your continued support.

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 Summer B Forest and PE Timetable](#)

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

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

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

Year 1		
Date	Forest School	PE
Thursday 16 July	Blackbirds	Woodpeckers
		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.

The school closes on, 21 July at 3.15pm (6.00pm for children attending Beehive) for the summer holidays and will reopen on **Wednesday 02 September** (INSET day on 01 September). If your child attends our breakfast club, this will be open at the normal time of 7.45am.

Yours sincerely



Mrs L A de Carteret
Headteacher