

Purbrook Junior School – Mr C Williams, Headteacher

Dates for your diary

Monday 23rd November –
School Photographers

Tuesday 24th November –
Nasal Flu Immunisation

programme

Wednesday 27th January 2021
– INSET DAY

Monday 7th June 2021 –
INSET DAY

Friday 23rd July 2021 –
INSET DAY

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- **Flu Vaccinations -**
Please don't forget to register for your child's nasal flu vaccination due to take place on 24th November. Registrations must be submitted by Thursday 19th November 2020.
- **Lost Property** – please ensure that your child's clothing is clearly marked with their name so that we can return any lost property quickly. Thank you



Headteacher's message

Dear Parents

We are at that time of year again when the weather has turned and temperatures are falling. Please ensure that your child brings a coat to school as we will be outside during playtimes and lunchtimes as much as possible. In addition to this, with the added ventilation (open doors and windows) to help prevent the spread of COVID, classrooms will also be colder than normal. If your child feels the cold, please do send them in with extra clothes (for example a vest under their school t-shirt). School uniform will still need to be worn, so any additional clothing needs to be underneath the uniform please.

HSE Inspection

On Thursday this week, we had a visit from the Health and Safety Executive for a COVID-19 Spot Check Inspection. The purpose of the inspection was to assess the school's management arrangements to control the risks associated with COVID-19 and formed part of a wide programme of planned HSE inspections of schools. Mrs Saunders and I met with the two inspectors for nearly 3 hours yesterday and this included a tour of the school to see how we have implemented our control measures. The inspectors also met with Mrs Ashton and Miss Footner as representatives from our teaching and support staff.

The inspectors were extremely complimentary of the school and how we have all adapted to COVID-19. They acknowledged the huge amount of work staff and children are putting in place to keep everybody safe. One inspector acknowledged that we were 'up there' in terms of COVID-19 safety. She also acknowledged the great team spirit, culture and mental health and well-being around the school.

Remembrance Day

On Tuesday we held our usual Remembrance Day assembly, although we did have a few technical issues with Zoom! Mrs Maxwell led the assembly which was very informative and hopefully gave the children a good understanding of why this day is so special. Thank you to everyone who supported this year's Poppy Appeal. As soon as we know the amount collected we will let you know.

Children In Need

Today is Children In Need and it is lovely to see so many children and staff wearing bright colours to support this annual event. The school has raised a total of £346.28. Well done!

PE Kit

We have noticed an increasing number of children coming into school on PE days without the correct kit. Football kits and other non-school items are not acceptable for school PE lessons. The following items should be worn into school on your child's PE days: House coloured polo shirt/t-shirt (a school jumper/cardigan may be worn over this in the cold weather), Black shorts or leggings/jogging bottoms, Suitable footwear (trainers), Earrings should be removed and long hair tied back. Thank you

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