



PURBROOK POST

Purbrook Junior School

Headteacher – Mr C Williams



22nd September 2023
Issue 3

Headteacher's message

Dear Parents/Carers

It has been great to see so many parents attending our recent 'Meet the Teacher' sessions. I hope you found them useful.

We appreciate that some children may feel anxious about returning to the school routine. Please be assured that our very experienced and empathetic Pastoral Team are here to help. We can assist you by providing strategies for you which may help with your routines in the morning. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any concerns or are struggling to get your child into school in the mornings. We are here to help you.

Once again, we have some children arriving on the school site very early. Please be aware that there is no supervision on the site before 8.45am and any unaccompanied children will be taken into our breakfast club for which a charge of £3.50 will be applied. If your child comes to school alone, please ensure that they arrive between 8.45am and 8.55am. Thank you.

Data Collection Sheet

Earlier this week, your child was given an envelope to bring home. This contained a Data Collection Sheet. Under the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) we are required to ensure that the data we hold for you and your child is accurate. Therefore, periodically we will request that you verify the information we hold. Please return these sheets to the school office by Friday 29th September 2023 at the latest. Thank you.

Cycling to school

Hampshire County Council and the School Governing Body seek the co-operation of parents in a determined effort to prevent accidents to cyclists. At Purbrook Junior School we provide training under the Bikeability Scheme for children in Year 6 (further details will be sent out to Year 6 children later in the school year).

The decision whether a child can cycle to school is the responsibility of the parents/carers. However the school would like to recommend that:

- The child's bicycle is of a suitable size for the child
- The brakes are in good working condition
- The tyres are in good condition
- The child is a competent cyclist (to either cycle to school accompanied or unaccompanied)
- The child will cycle sensibly on the journey to and from school
- The child will wear a suitable cycle helmet

Children **MUST NOT** ride bikes (or scooters) in the school grounds unless they are taking part in Bikeability Training or another organised school activity.

Bicycles must be stored in the bicycle racks opposite reception and parents are strongly advised to provide a cycle lock to safeguard them against possible theft. **Hampshire County council, Purbrook Junior School, nor its employees can be held responsible for any loss, or damage to, a child's bicycle.**

Flu Vaccinations

The NHS Immunisation Service will be in school on Thursday 19th October to administer the nasal flu vaccinations. Please follow the link in the ParentMail message sent on 19th September to give your consent for the vaccine to be given. If you do not complete this on-line form (forms must be submitted by 10am on Tuesday 17th October), your child will not receive the vaccine on 19th October and you will have to make alternative arrangements.

Kind regards

Mr C Williams
Headteacher

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 6th October – Meet the Pastoral Team (9-10am)

Tuesday 17th October – Year 5 Mary Rose visit

Thursday 19th October – Flu vaccinations

Monday 23rd to Friday 27th October – Half Term

Tuesday 7th November – School Photographers

INSET DAYS

Monday 27th November 23
Tuesday 2nd January 24
Thursday 28th March 24
Monday 3rd June 24

HOUSE POINTS

Check out the latest House Points total at:

<http://www.purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk/school-houses/>



On the 6th October (9-10), we invite you to join us to meet and greet our pastoral team. Find out more about the services (such as 'U chat, We Listen') we offer as support for your child and family. *P.S – There will definitely be cake!!* 