



# PURBROOK POST

Purbrook Junior School

Headteacher – Mr C Williams

## Headteacher's message

Dear Parents/Carers

It's Christmas! Well done to everyone (children, parents and staff) for getting to the end of the term.

Last week the majority of our Year 5 children spent the week at Calshot Activities Centre. An amazing week was had by all, with children challenging themselves and facing some fears! I was lucky enough to spend Wednesday night, Thursday and Friday there and witness first hand the great time the children had. In the New Year, we will be inviting Parents of Year 4 children into school to answer any questions they may have about their children attending this residential in December 2024.

On Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday evening this week, we were treated to a Celebration of Christmas with Year 3. The children were brilliant – loud and clear speaking together with beautiful singing. It was great to see packed audiences for both performances – thank you for supporting the children. Mrs Forrester and the Year 3 team are so proud of all the children. Well done Year 3!

We had our Christmas Lunch on Wednesday. Our amazing kitchen staff cooked over 340 Christmas Lunches! I would like to thank the PJSA for providing Christmas crackers which made our Christmas Lunch very festive. We even had a guest appearance by the Grinch – he tried to steal our Christmas, but failed!



It was lovely to see so many children enjoying this special lunch together, made even more special as it was served to them by the staff!

This week the Year 3 and Year 6 children have been learning about and making Christingles. On Thursday they visited St John's Church in Purbrook for a Christingle service. The children sang carols and also said some prayers. I would like to thank Rev. Andy Wilson for welcoming the school community into St John's again.



Thank you to our wonderful PJSA team for running a highly successful Christmas shop over the last couple of weeks. We are blessed to have such wonderful volunteers who work behind the scenes to make these things happen. You are all amazing people and your contributions to the school are incredible. Thank you.'

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a magical 2024. From the bottom of my heart thank you for everything that you do.

Enjoy the holidays and festivities....  
I look forward to working with you all in 2024.

Thank you  
Mr C Williams  
Headteacher

DREAM BIG!



**RESPECT  
TEAM  
ACHIEVE**

15<sup>th</sup> December 2023  
Issue 13

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January – INSET DAY – school closed to all children

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January –  
First day of spring term

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January –  
Year 4 Robotics workshop

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January –  
Year 5 Mobile Planetarium

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> to Friday 16<sup>th</sup>  
February – Half-Term

### INSET DAYS

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 24  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 24  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 24

### HOUSE POINTS

Check out the latest House  
Points total at:  
<http://www.purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk/school-houses/>

