# Headteacher's message

Dear Parents/Carers

## Artivism Climate Unity project 2023-2024

Mrs Gray has sent home details of the above project this week. This year, the project will take place at home – perhaps something to do over the half term if looking for some ideas?

Purbrook Junior School has been proud to submit some amazing artwork for previous years Climate projects and I am looking forward to seeing how creative the children can be. Please be assured that the project is optional. All photos of the art work (no identifiable faces in the picture) need to be submitted to Mrs Gray as a JPEG, via the Year4@purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk email before Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March

### Year 6 Mock SATS

2024.

Year 6 have been undertaking their mock SATS tests this week. We have tried to emulate the actual test conditions as far as possible and the children have shown their resilience and determination to get the job done. Well done Year 6! The teachers will use the results from the tests to personalise the children's learning in the run up to the actual tests in May 2024. Thank you to the children and staff in Year 4 who have relocated to hall for the duration of the tests.

The Parents Evenings for Year 6 have been brought forward to Monday 19<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February to allow parents to meet with their child's class teacher in plenty of time prior to their SATs tests. Please do make every effort to attend one of these days.

## Bags in school

Please can I ask that children are discouraged from bringing large bags/backpacks into school wherever possible. Each class has lunchbox crates where lunchboxes are stored, and children come into school wearing their PE kits on PE days. Therefore, there should be no reason for large bags or rucksacks to be brought in as we are really struggling for storage space. Thank you for your help with this.

#### **School Uniform**

Please can I remind parents that all children should be wearing school uniform (including school shoes) whilst inside the school building. Coloured jackets, etc can be worn during outside play, but only burgundy jumpers or cardigans form part of school uniform. PE kit is to be worn on PE Days. To form part of our uniform, we ask that shoes be black or brown in colour. School shoes should be purchased with the demands of school and running around on the playground in mind. Trainers, if worn, must be completely black in colour. Thank you for your help in ensuring all our children are suitably dressed for school.

## **Jewellery**

For health and safety reasons the wearing of jewellery is not permitted at school, with the exception of: a watch and one pair of plain stud earrings (which must be removed by the child when participating in PE lessons) If your child is unable to remove the earrings themselves, they should be removed prior to attending school – or covered with earring tape, which must be provided by the parent/carer.

Don't forget - On **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> of February**, to mark the end of this week, we'll be holding a special *Wear Your Scarf to School Day* (in addition to normal school uniform).







Friday 9th February

We'll also be using the day to raise funds for well-being resources in school (e.g. sensory bags, mindfulness colouring). To help with this we're asking for a small donation (suggested 50p-£1) if you can spare some change.

Thank you

Mr C Williams, Headteacher





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## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February – Children's Mental Health Week

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February – Year 6 SATS meeting for Parents (5pm)

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February – Wear a SCARF to school

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

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February – Parents' Evening (Year 6 only)

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March – Parents' Evenings (Years 3, 4 & 5)

## **INSET DAYS**

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.purbrookjun.hants.sch.uk/schoolhouses/



