



PURBROOK POST

Purbrook Junior School

Headteacher – Mr C Williams

Headteacher's message

Dear Parents/Carers

Wow, what a busy week to start the second half of the autumn term! We have had the school photographers in, we welcomed some new parents (and some old parents too) at our Year 2 open days, Year 3 had a science workshop, the PJSa ran the firework event and today Year 5 are visiting the Mary Rose.

Remembrance Assembly

We will be having our Remembrance Day assembly on Monday 11th November. We would like to invite all Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Brownies, Guides and Cadets to come into school on this day in their uniform, should they wish to do so. I am looking forward to the assembly on Monday, which will be led by our children who have parents serving in our armed forces.

Any children that have PE on this day (Year 3) and do decide to come to school in their club uniform, please ensure your child wears the required footwear / PE kit under their club uniform. Thank you

Poppy Appeal

Unfortunately, we have not received our usual supply of poppies and other merchandise from the Poppy Appeal this year. Poppies are usually on sale in supermarkets and other public areas – please do support this very worthwhile cause if you can.

Attendance

Monitoring of children's attendance at school has always been important and is also a legal requirement. When reporting an absence for your child, please give the specific reason – the reason "unwell" is not sufficient. We have also noticed an increase in the number of children who have sustained an injury whilst playing football (for example). An injury, unless serious, is not a reason for a child to be absent from school. We can ensure that your child remains inside at break/lunch times, is able to elevate their leg whilst in class and even administer pain relief (with your permission). It is really important for your child to attend school, if they are well enough to do so.

If your child's attendance falls below 95% (even if the absences are authorised), you may receive a letter from me outlining the importance of regular school attendance.

I would like to remind parents that it is your responsibility to notify the school if your child is absent. Absences can be reported via ParentMail, StudyBugs or a message left on the school absence line. Please be aware that if you do not report your child's absence by 9.20am (unless in an emergency), the absence, for whatever reason, will be recorded as unauthorised.

Doggy Centre

I was disappointed to hear from the Doggy Centre on Elizabeth Road that some of our children have been involved in unsociable behaviour at the Doggy Centre on their way to or from school. This has included banging on doors, hitting doors and fences with sticks. The staff feel intimidated by this behaviour and it can be very distressing for the dogs in their care. The centre has been advised to contact the police if this type of behaviour happens again as it has resulted in criminal damage to their property.

I will be speaking to the children about this behaviour during assembly and I would be grateful if you could reinforce the message at home too. Thank you

Food Bank and Clothes Bank

Please be aware that Mrs Ginn, our Home School Link Worker, is able to refer families to the local Food Bank and/or Clothes Bank if required. Mrs Ginn can be contacted (in confidence) through the school office.

PJSa Firework

I would like to pass on a massive **THANK YOU** to the PJSa for organising the Firework event on Thursday evening – a great school and community event!

Have a lovely weekend everybody 😊

Mr C Williams
Headteacher

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 12th November –
Flu vaccinations

Children In Need – Friday 15th November

On Friday 15th November we will be raising money for BBC Children In Need. We will be holding a mufti day whereby children are permitted to come into school in non-school uniform in return for a small donation to Children In Need. Please ensure clothes and shoes are suitable for weather and for PE (Years 3 and 4).

INSET DAYS

Friday 6th December 24
Friday 14th February 25
Monday 2nd June 25

HOUSE POINTS

Check out the latest House
Points total at:

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

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You have helped raise

£883.18

Ⓞ 23 days left



We are now up to £883.18
(as at Thursday 7th
November). We are nearly
at £1000! THANK YOU for all
your qualifying purchases at
Asda.