



PURBROOK POST

Purbrook Junior School

Headteacher – Mr C Williams

Headteacher's message

Dear Parents/Carers

I have enjoyed catching up with the Year 5 children this week, hearing all about their adventures at Calshot Activities Centre last week. It sounds like they had an amazing time! The staff were so proud of all the children – everyone pushed themselves to try activities they had not had a chance to do before. I would like to thank all the parents/carers for their help in loading and unloading the coaches – many hands make light work!

Year 4 Parents/Carers have been invited to attend a meeting on Thursday 30th January to hear about the planned visit to Calshot Activities Centre in December 2025. At this meeting they will hear about last week's visit from some of our Year 5 children.

Locking of playground gate after school

As you will know, we operate an afterschool care club and several on-site afterschool sports clubs here at Purbrook Junior School. This means that there are children using the playground and field after the end of school.

We have recently had an incident where a child attending one of these clubs has tried to leave the school grounds through the gate (opposite the pond) leading to Elizabeth Road. For the safety of all the children in our care, we cannot allow this to happen again.

Therefore, the gate leading from the Playground to Elizabeth Road will be locked from 3.40pm until 4.20pm. I appreciate that this will cause some inconvenience to those parents who pick up their children from these clubs before 4.20pm, but I hope you will understand our safeguarding reasons for doing so.

If your child attends one of the afterschool clubs and you need to pick up prior to 4.20pm, please access the school grounds via the main entrance off Aldermoor Road East and walk around to the usual pick up points for the club. You will not be able to collect from the school office as this closes at 3.45pm.

Children arriving at school too early

Despite my reminder on the Purbrook Post last week, there still appears to be a number of children arriving at school before 8.40am without a parent or carer. Any unsupervised children arriving on the school grounds before 8.40am will be taken into our Breakfast Club (for which there is a daily charge of £3.50). Please support us to keep your children safe.

A plea for change!

Please can you help us by providing your child with change for the school tuck shop. 1p's, 2p's, 5p's, 10p's and 20p's would be most appreciated. We struggle to provide change and we would hate for children not to be able to make a purchase because we didn't have any change available.

Lost Property and Pre-loved Uniform

Once again, we appear to have a huge amount of lost property. If your child has lost something, please do pop into the school office and check the crates and bags of lost property we have. We will try and display the lost property outside the school office next week (weather permitting!)

I am shocked by the amount of expensive school uniform which is unnamed (and therefore not able to be returned to its rightful owner). Please ensure that all of your child's clothing and other property (including lunch boxes) is clearly marked with their name. Thank you.

Mrs Ginn, our Home School Link Worker, would like to remind our families that there is lots of good quality pre-loved school uniform on a rack outside the school office – please do pop in if you need anything. Mrs Ginn is also able to signpost families to different types of financial assistance and make referrals to the Waterlooville Food Bank. Please do make contact with Mrs Ginn if we can help you in any way.

Kind regards
Mr C Williams, Headteacher

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 30th January – Calshot meeting for Year 4 parents at 2.30pm
Tuesday 4th February – Year 4 science electricity workshop
Friday 14th February – INSET Day – school closed to all children
Monday 17th to Friday 21st February – Half Term

INSET DAYS

Friday 14th February 25
Monday 2nd June 25

HOUSE POINTS

Check out the latest House Points total by visiting our school website homepage <https://www.purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk/>

