



PURBROOK POST

Purbrook Junior School

Headteacher – Mr C Williams

Headteacher's message

Dear Parents/Carers

VE Day at Purbrook Junior School

On Thursday we observed the anniversary of VE Day, a significant moment in history marking the end of World War II in Europe.

We played a variety of educational videos and music that highlighted the historical events leading up to VE Day in the hall at break time and lunchtime. These resources provided a vivid portrayal of the celebrations that took place in 1945 and the relief felt across Europe.

At 12 noon, we joined the nation in observing a two-minute silence. This moment of quiet reflection allowed the children to pay their respects to those who fought bravely and those who lost their lives during the war. It was a poignant reminder of the value of peace and the importance of remembering our history.

SATS Tests

Well here we are ... SATs are nearly upon us for our Year 6 children. We are all incredibly proud of the hard work and commitment shown over the last year and in particular in the run up to the next week. Year 6, I am sure that your passion, enthusiasm and resilience will shine through as you embark on your tests next week. Good luck Year 6 – stay calm, be brave and show the examiners how good you really are. We already know it!

All Year 6 children are invited to join us for breakfast, Monday to Thursday, during SATs week. A healthy breakfast to start their day will be offered from 8:00am. This is offered to all Year 6 children FREE OF CHARGE.

We believe that this will be a great start to the day for the children and give them a chance to relax with their peers prior to the start of each test.

The tests will take place on Monday to Thursday next week. Please can I ask that if you do visit the school on these days, you enter the main reception quickly as the classrooms being used

for the test are situated at this end of the school. Thank you.

Please can I remind parents/carers of children in Year 4, that the children need to enter the school via the hall and not their classrooms for the days of the tests. The Year 4 classrooms will be used for administering the tests and the children will be working as a year group in the hall instead. Thank you.

On Friday, the Year 6 children will be having a fun day of celebration – a great way to unwind after the week of testing.

Inset Days for 2025-2026

Working in partnership with Purbrook Infant School, we have agreed our Inset Days for the next academic year. These will take place on:

- Wednesday 3rd September 2025
- Friday 19th December 2025
- Friday 13th February 2026
- Monday 1st June 2026
- Wednesday 22nd July 2026

Year 4 swimming

We had some disruption earlier in the week with the swimming programme. Unfortunately, there was a problem with the pool heater, and the water was not sufficiently warm to allow the children to swim. As you can appreciate, it does take a while to heat a swimming pool full of water, so we were unable to access the pool until after lunch on Wednesday.

The swimming instructors used the time instead to teach the water safety elements of the swimming programme.

Please note that due to the administration of the SATs tests next week, there will not be a Purbrook Post issued on Friday 16th May. Thank you for your understanding with this.

Mr C Williams
Headteacher

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 12th to Thursday 15th May – Year 6 SATS tests
Friday 23rd May – Dale Cup
Monday 16th June – Sports Day (weather permitting)
Monday 23rd June – Reserve Sports Day

INSET DAYS

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/>

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