



# PURBROOK POST

Purbrook Junior School

Headteacher – Mr C Williams

## Headteacher's message

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to the first Purbrook Post of 2025/2026 academic year. I hope that you and your families have had an enjoyable summer break and are looking forward to the year ahead. I would like to welcome Year 3 to our school and any new children who have joined us in other year groups. They have all really impressed me this week with their behaviour, presentation and attitude to learning and are looking very smart in their new school uniforms. Please help us continue this wonderful start as we move through the year. Welcome back to our Year 4, 5 and 6 children. It is lovely to have you all here at Purbrook Junior School.

At Purbrook Junior School we have agreed values that are understood and shared by every member of the school community. Values are principles that guide behaviour. Our school values are **respect**, **team** and **achieve** and are at the heart of our school ethos 'Dream Big'.



We aim to provide a rich, meaningful and purposeful curriculum that inspires and motivates children to dream big. Our values are integral to all aspects of school life and underpin everything we do.

I would like to welcome Miss Thurlow (Year 3 Teacher) to Purbrook Junior. I have no doubt she will be a wonderful asset to our school and we look forward to working with her.

Please accept my apologies for the lack of choice for school meals at the present time.

The cookers in our kitchen have been condemned and we are in the process of procuring replacements. Please bear with us.

Please ensure that your child knows who is collecting them at the end of the school day and where you will meet them. If arrangements have to change (in an emergency) please ensure that you telephone the school office before 3pm so that we can let your child know the new arrangements. Please do not email the school as email accounts are not always monitored throughout the whole day.

If you need to email the school, general emails can be sent to [schooloffice@purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk](mailto:schooloffice@purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk). If you have a specific query for your child's teacher or year group, please email:

[Year3@purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk](mailto:Year3@purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk)  
[Year4@purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk](mailto:Year4@purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk)  
[Year5@purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk](mailto:Year5@purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk)  
[Year6@purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk](mailto:Year6@purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk)

Please do not email urgent messages – email accounts are not always monitored throughout the day.

We will be holding 'Meet the Teacher' informal drop in sessions from 2.40 pm on the following days:

- Year 3 – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September
- Year 4 – Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September
- Year 5 – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September
- Year 6 – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

Invitations will be sent to parents from the year teams. We look forward to welcoming you into school on these days.

Please see additional information on pages 2 and 3.

Kind regards  
 Mr C Williams  
 Headteacher

DREAM BIG!



**RESPECT**  
**TEAM**  
**ACHIEVE**

12<sup>th</sup> September 2025  
 Issue 1

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September –  
 Year 4 Meet the Teacher

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September –  
 Year 5 Meet the Teacher

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September –  
 Year 6 Meet the Teacher

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September –  
 Year 3 Meet the Teacher

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October –  
 Year 4 trip to Southampton  
 Art Gallery

### INSET DAYS

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2026

### HOUSE POINTS

Check out the latest House  
 Points total at:

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

Need to contact the school  
 office?

[Schooloffice@purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk](mailto:Schooloffice@purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk)

or telephone

023 9225 4577

between 8.30am and  
 3.45pm

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

## **School Office**

The school office is open from 8.30am to 3.45pm Monday to Friday. If you have any queries, please do pop in or call us – the office staff will be happy to help you. If you telephone outside of these times, please leave a message on our answer machine and someone will get back to you. Alternatively, for non-urgent enquiries, you can also email the school on [schooloffice@purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk](mailto:schooloffice@purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk). (Please allow 2 working days for responses during term time – emails are not monitored during school holidays).

## **Parent Communication**

This newsletter, the Purbrook Post, is issued weekly on a Friday. This newsletter will be sent to you via Arbor (email). If you do not receive these newsletters, please speak to a member of the school office team. Please take the time to read this newsletter each week, so that you do not miss out on exciting news and important information.

Information about the school can also be found on our website ([www.purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk](http://www.purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk)), via X and Instagram @Purbrook\_Junior and Facebook via Facebook.com/Purbrookjunior

## **Morning Arrangements and Appointments to see Class Teachers**

The classroom doors will open for children from 8.40am to 8.50am. Any child arriving at school after this time should enter via the school office. Please note that children should not be on site prior to 8.40am unless they are attending our breakfast club as there is no supervision for them. Children arriving before 8.40am may be taken into our breakfast club for which there is a £4.00 charge.

It is not possible to meet with the class teacher at this time in the morning as they are required in their classroom to supervise their children. If you need to make an appointment to see the teacher please do so via the school office. Thank you for your understanding with this.

## **School Lunches / Packed Lunches**

I should like to remind you that school meals are priced at £3.27. Dinner money must be paid in advance and can be paid via your SchoolGrid account. Once our kitchen is back to full cooking capacity, our caterers (Dolce) provide at least 3 meal options per day – check out SchoolGrid for menu options. You can pick options at home with your child, or your child can pick in school during morning registration – the choice is yours.

Drinking water is available for all children. For those children having packed lunches, will parents please check that lunch boxes or containers are clearly marked with their child's name and class. Please do not include fizzy drinks as part of a packed lunch. We are a nut free school. We have children in school with allergies to nuts. Therefore, please do not include any items in lunchboxes that contain nuts (including, for example, Nutella chocolate spread). Thank you

## **Water Bottles**

Every child should have a water bottle in school which can remain in their classrooms. This bottle should contain water only (juice is only allowed in packed lunches). We have a supply of water bottles for sale for £1.50 each – these can be purchased via your Arbor account and will be delivered to your child.

## **Inhalers and other Medication**

If your child suffers with asthma, please ensure that we have an inhaler in school at all times, so that it can be administered as and when necessary (you will be asked to complete an Asthma Card for your child). Inhalers are kept securely in our medical room and children are advised that they can have access to them at any time they feel they need them. Any other medication requiring administration during the school day must be handed in to the school office. An Administration of Medicines & Treatment Consent Form must be completed in all cases and these are available from the school office.

## **Healthy Snacks at Break Times**

As a healthy school we encourage children to eat healthy snacks at break. If you are providing your child with a snack (the school is unable to provide these for you) please ensure it is healthy e.g. fruit, yoghurt, raisins, yoghurt coated raisins, etc. Please do not send in crisps, chocolate, crackers or cake for break. Also, please do not send in food containing nuts – thank you. The Year 6 children run a tuck shop at break time – items are priced between 30p and 50p.

### **Message from our Home School Link Worker (HSLW), Mrs Teresa Ginn**

Firstly, I'd like to say a warm welcome back to Purbrook Junior School to all children, parents and carers. These first few weeks back after the summer holiday can be a difficult time for both adults and children. There's where my job is key to assist parents and children in any way I can to make the transition into a new school or year group, a happy and successful time for all. I operate an open-door policy so please feel free to contact me via the office if you would like to pop in for a coffee and have an informal chat to raise any concerns, no matter how small.

How can I help you? I am here every morning (Monday to Thursday). I can listen to your concerns and offer as much support to you as I can and signpost other agencies to you if appropriate. I am also a Thrive practitioner.

For example, I can support with:

- Attendance
- Working alongside your child in school
- Emotional or friendship concerns
- Managing difficult behaviour
- Helping to get children in school on time
- Anybody just needing a listening ear

### **School Uniform, PE Kit and Jewellery**

I am certainly very impressed with how smart the majority of children looked upon their return to school and I would like to thank all of you for sending your child to school in uniform. I have also noticed that almost all pupils have come to school wearing appropriate footwear. Shoes should be black or brown in colour. Trainers, if worn, should also be completely black or brown. Please can I remind you that hot pants and leggings DO NOT form part of our school uniform. If your child is not wearing the correct school uniform, you will be notified and asked to ensure that correct uniform is worn in future. Thank you for your help with this.

Uniform can be purchased from Skoolkit in Havant (please ask in the school office if you are unsure of the location). Please make sure that your child's clothing is clearly and indelibly marked with his/her name. We frequently end up with numerous sweatshirts in lost property, none of which are marked. We have a clothes rack in reception containing nearly new uniform. Please do come in and help yourselves – all we ask for is a small donation if you are able to.

Our Code of Conduct states that the wearing of jewellery is discouraged. If children wear earrings (studs only) they must be able to remove these themselves for PE lessons and games. If they are unable to do so, then the earrings should not be worn on the days these lessons take place. The school is unable to provide plasters or tape to cover earrings. May I also remind you that nail varnish should not be worn at any time. Thank you

### **Wraparound Care**

The School operates a Breakfast Club (7.40am to 8.40am) and an After-School Care Club (3.20pm to 4.30pm). If you would like details of these clubs, please ask in the school office. The following clubs will also be taking place at Purbrook Junior School, although these are run by different providers:

Primary PE (please book via <https://primarype.co.uk/product/purbrook-junior-school/>)

Netball Club – Mondays after school (3.20pm to 4.20pm)

Basketball Club – Mondays after school (3.20pm to 4.20pm)

Football Club – Tuesdays after school (3.20pm to 4.20pm)

Tennis & Badminton Club – Wednesdays after school (3.20pm to 4.20pm)

Cross Country Club – Fridays after school (3.20pm to 4.20pm)

CM Sports (please book via [www.cm-sports.co.uk](http://www.cm-sports.co.uk))

Football Club – Wednesdays after school (3.20pm to 4.30pm)

Southern Karate Association (please book via email: [ska.heather@gmail.com](mailto:ska.heather@gmail.com) or text: 07738 914291 or message via Facebook @SKA.MAIN)

Kids Karate Club – Thursdays after school (3.20pm to 4.20pm)