

Headteacher's message

Dear Parents/Carers

It is difficult to believe that this is the final Purbrook Post for this half-term. Where has the time gone! It's scary to think that it is only 62 days until Christmas!

Following the half-term break, the children are due back in school on Monday 3rd November for the second part of the autumn term.

This Wednesday, our Year 4 pupils visited Southampton Art Gallery to support their learning in Art, focusing on sketching and printing techniques. A great day was had by all, and Year 4's impeccable behaviour was a credit to the school. Well done Year 4!

On Tuesday 4th November we will be hosting a joint meeting for both Purbrook Infant and Purbrook Junior School parents regarding the impact of smartphones on our children. Dr Helen Thomas from the Smartphone Free Childhood team will be leading the meeting. Please do join us in the Junior School hall from 6pm to 7.30pm. Further details are contained in the attached letter which was originally sent to you on 23rd September.

On Thursday 6th November 2025, each Year 3 class will experience the fascinating wonders of the scientific world: witnessing exciting experiments and daring demos that explore solids, liquids and gases, evaporating, condensing, melting, sublimating and freezing.

Year 5 will be preparing for, and attending, their residential visit to Calshot Activities Centre towards the end of the half-term.

School Photos

We would like to remind you that the school photographer will be attending on Tuesday 4th November to take individual photos of all the children.

Please can you send your child/children to school in their full school uniform, with Year 3 and Year 4 children bringing their PE kit in a bag so they can change once their photo has been taken. Thank you

Special Fireworks and Bonfire Night lunch – Wednesday 5th November



Earrings

Please can I remind you 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. Thank you. The school is unable to provide plasters or tape to cover earrings.

Don't forget that the clocks go back by one hour in the early hours of Sunday morning (26th October) and we all get an extra hour in bed!

I hope you all have a lovely half-term break. Happy Halloween to you all (if this is something that you celebrate). Please stay safe if out and about, especially after dark.

I look forward to welcoming everyone back into school on Monday 3rd November. Thank you

Mr C Williams Headteacher

DREAM BIG!



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Week commencing 27th October – Half Term

Tuesday 4th November – School Photographer

Tuesday 4th November – Smartphone Free Childhood meeting for Parents (6pm)

Wednesday 5th November – Special Fireworks & Bonfire Night lunch menu

Thursday 6th November – Year 5 visit to the Mary Rose

Thursday 6th November – Year 3 Explorer Dome workshop

w/c Monday 8th December – Year 5 residential visit to Calshot Activities Centre

INSET DAYS

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

HOUSE POINTS

Check out the latest House Points total by visiting our school website homepage https://www.purbrookjun.hants.sch.uk/

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