



# PURBROOK POST

Purbrook Junior School

Headteacher – Mr C Williams

## Headteacher's message

Dear Parents/Carers

### Parents' Evenings

If you have not already done so, please do book an appointment to see your child's class teacher at our upcoming Parents' Evenings on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October. Parents' Evening is a great opportunity to see how well your child is doing, and also for us to see if there are any additional things we can do to ensure we provide the best education possible.

Bookings will close on the afternoon of Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October. If you have any problems booking your appointment, please contact the school office. Thank you.

### Cycling to school

Hampshire County Council and the School Governing Body seek the co-operation of parents in a determined effort to prevent accidents to cyclists.

The decision whether a child can cycle to school is the responsibility of the parents/carers. However the school would like to recommend that:

- The child's bicycle is of a suitable size for the child
- The brakes are in good working condition
- The tyres are in good condition
- The child is a competent cyclist (to either cycle to school accompanied or unaccompanied)
- The child will cycle sensibly on the journey to and from school
- The child will wear a suitable cycle helmet

Children MUST NOT ride bikes (or scooters) in the school grounds unless they are taking part in Bikeability Training or another organised school activity. Bicycles must be stored in the bicycle racks opposite reception and parents are strongly advised to provide a cycle lock to safeguard them against possible theft. Hampshire County council, Purbrook Junior School, nor its employees can be held responsible for any loss, or damage to, a child's bicycle.

### Open Days for Year 2 Parents

We will be holding our open days for Year 2 Parents/Carers on:

- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November at 2.30 pm
- Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November at 9.00 am

If you know Parents/Carers of Year 2 children please let them know about these open days so that they can come and see Purbrook Junior School in action!

### Year 4 Poets Inspire Environmental Change

Year 4 have been inspired by the powerful poetry collection *Be the Change* and have channelled their creativity into writing their own acrostic poems – all with a shared goal of encouraging positive change within our school community.

Focusing on important environmental themes such as saving water, avoiding litter, walking or cycling rather than driving, growing food, and reducing plastic use, the children's poems aim to spark awareness and action.

To help spread their message, the poems are being thoughtfully displayed in key locations around the school where their messages can have the biggest impact – near water the fountain and sinks, litter bins, bike/scooter racks and more.

We're proud of how Year 4 have used their voices to promote sustainability and care for the planet. Be sure to read a couple of their cycling-related poems at the end of this newsletter – and let their words motivate you to *be the change* too!

### Kitchen Update

I am pleased to inform you that the electrical upgrade work has now taken place in the kitchen and we are currently waiting for our new cookers to be delivered/installed. I'll keep you posted on developments ...

Kind regards  
Mr C Williams, Headteacher

DREAM BIG!



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

3<sup>rd</sup> October 2025

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### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October – Year 5 Harvest Festival Assembly

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October – Nasal Flu Vaccinations

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> to Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October – Book Fair

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October – Parents' Evenings (not for 5G)

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October – World Mental Health Day

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

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November – Year 5 visit to the Mary Rose

### 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 by visiting our school website homepage  
<https://www.purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk/>

**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