



PURBROOK POST

Purbrook Junior School

Headteacher – Mr C Williams

Headteacher's message

Dear Parents/Carers

Apologies that there was not a Purbrook Post leading up to half-term.

I would like to say a belated "well done" to all Year 6 children who completed their SATs tests before half-term.

It was great to see them enjoying a well-deserved ice cream on Friday after their tests had finished!

I would like to thank Year 4 for vacating their classrooms during the mornings. I know this was really appreciated by the Year 6 children, so that they could use their classrooms and the area was nice and quiet for them to concentrate.

My thanks go to the Year 6 teachers for their passion and drive in helping the children achieve to the best of their ability. I would also like to thank the rest of the staff 'team' who have pulled together to make the SATs tests run as smoothly as possible, including provision of breakfast for the children.

All children in school were really respectful to the Year 6 children sitting the tests and are a credit to the school.

As I am writing this newsletter, the school is preparing for the Dale Cup. Year 6 have been eagerly awaiting this annual event. The Dale Cup was first run in 1978 and has been an annual tradition ever since (unfortunately a couple of years were missed during the COVID pandemic). The course is a mile long and takes the children around the field and playground, out onto Elizabeth Road up to the park and then back again, finishing on the field to the cheers of Years 3, 4 and 5. Members of the school Cross Country Team will be joining Year 6 in this race. Some children will be aiming for a medal, or maybe even a record time. For others, their challenge will be finishing the course. What's important is that they all try their best! I'm really looking forward to cheering them on.

This last half-term of the academic year is always really busy and exciting. We will be

having three internal transition days this year, on 3rd, 4th and 5th July where the children will be spending time getting to know their teacher for next year. Our Year 6 children will be having their own transition days at their respective secondary schools. On Wednesday 5th July we will be welcoming the Year 2 children into our school. Our staff are already working really closely with the Infant School to ensure that the children are confident and happy about their transition to junior school.

New Appointment

I am delighted to inform you that we have appointed Miss Griffiths to join us in September as a class teacher. New classes will be shared with children and parents in the week leading up to our transition days.

Taking your child out of school?

Please can I remind you that you need to inform the school in writing (in advance) if you are taking your child out of school for any reason. Leave of Absence forms are available on our website and also in the school office. Thank you for your help with this issue.

Inset Days for next academic year

We have now agreed next year's Inset Days. They will be:

Monday 2nd September 2024
Monday 4th November 2024
Friday 6th December 2024
Friday 14th February 2025
Monday 2nd June 2025

Water Bottles

As the weather is getting warmer, please ensure that your child has a water bottle in school at all times to keep hydrated. Thank you.

Kind regards

Mr C Williams
Headteacher

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 17th June to Friday 21st June – Year 6 Bikeability Training

Thursday 25th June – Year 3 visit to Fort Nelson

Wednesday 3rd, Thursday 4th and Friday 5th July – Internal Transition Days

Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th July – Year 6 Production

Tuesday 16th July – PJSA Happy Circus

Thursday 18th July – Year 6 visit to Paultons Park

Monday 22nd July – Year 6 Leavers Awards Event

Tuesday 23rd July – Last day of summer term

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HOUSE POINTS

Check out the latest House Points total at:
<http://www.purbrook-jun.hants.sch.uk/school-houses/>

