



PURBROOK POST

Purbrook Junior School

Headteacher – Mr C Williams

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TEAM
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Headteacher's message

Dear Parents/Carers

Arbor Parent Portal

Purbrook Junior School is now live on the Arbor Parent Portal! Within the first 12 hours, 25% of parents/guardians signed into their new accounts. If you haven't yet signed up, please check your emails to find your welcome email/link (don't forget to check your junk/spam folders too). It would be amazing to get close to 100% sign up in the coming week.

We are hoping to have Arbor Payments up and running soon too.

Year 5 Science Workshop

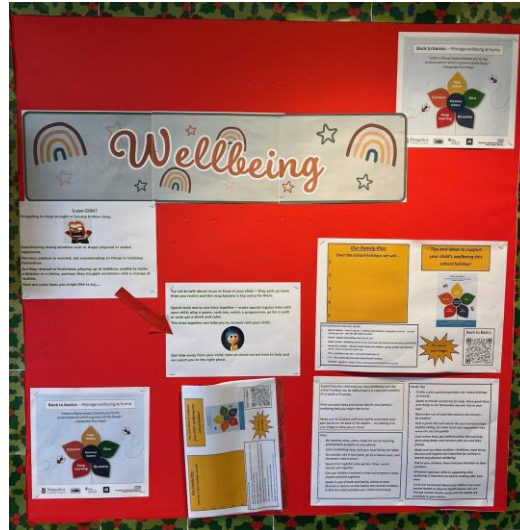
On Tuesday this week, Year 5 had a visit from the Portsmouth UTC outreach programme for a workshop on electricity.

The children learnt that lemons have a higher voltage than a 1.5V battery and could charge a mobile phone! They were able to talk about all the different sources of electricity - mains, battery, solar, water and wind, and learnt that just having a magnet and a piece of copper they could create electricity.

They were shown how electricity works - acting out being electrons and how to make them more effective thereby demonstrating what happens in mains electricity.

Our budding scientists were able to problem solve, build circuits and challenge their predictions as to how bright their bulbs would shine depending on how many bulbs they had in the circuit and what would happen if they had more batteries. It was lovely to see them show their school values with their resilience and perseverance showing their scientific qualities.

Well done Year 4 and thank you to UTC Portsmouth!



Are you having problems with your child sleeping at night or is their behaviour a bit all over the place at the moment? Take a look at our Wellbeing board in the main reception for hints and tips of things to try at home.

If you have any other concerns that you may need help with, please feel free to complete one of our Pastoral referral forms and someone from the pastoral team will be in touch with you.

Don't forget you can contact Mrs Ginn, our Home School Link Worker for help with foodbank or clothes bank referrals as well. She also has a selection of school uniforms, so give her a call if you need help with anything.

Year 6 Parents' Evenings

The Year 6 Parents' Evenings will be taking place on Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th February. Bookings (via the Arbor Parent Portal) will open next week – another reason for you to set up your Arbor account! Parents' Evenings for Years 3, 4 and 5 will be arranged later in the spring term.

One more week to go before half-term. Please don't forget that Friday 14th February is an inset day and the school will be closed to all children.

Thank you
Mr C Williams, Headteacher

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 14th February – INSET Day – school closed to all children

Monday 17th to Friday 21st February – Half Term

Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th February – Year 6 Parents' Evenings

Wednesday 5th March – 3F visit to Lyme Regis

Thursday 20th March – 3H visit to Lyme Regis

Friday 21st March – 3B visit to Lyme Regis

INSET DAYS

Friday 14th February 25
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/>

Did you know?

You can log your child's absence directly onto the Arbor App!

From your Arbor home screen, select 'quick actions' and then 'log attendance'