

# **Purbrook Infant School**

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## **Friday Flier**



### **Macmillan Coffee Morning**

Thank you to Mrs King, our Family Liaison Officer, for organising and hosting this event. I would also like to say thank you to the staff and parents who provided us with such lovely cakes and biscuits for this event. I hope that the parents who came to this event enjoyed it, whilst at the same time raising money for this worthwhile cause. We raised a total of £120 for this very worthwhile charity.

#### **Harvest Festival**

As previously advised, we are once again supporting Waterlooville Food Bank. Non-perishable foods can be brought in for Harvest Festival from Monday which the children should take into their classes. Please do not take items to the school office. Fresh fruit and vegetables can be brought into school on Friday. Food items will be collected by Waterlooville Food Bank and will be distributed to people in the local area who, because of a crisis in their lives are struggling to provide for themselves and/or their families.

## Informal Parental Drop-ins: Eagles' Class Tuesday 01 October rest of school – Wednesday 02 October

We are inviting parents in on the above dates and access is via the North and South Doors and individual Year R class doors between 3.30pm and 4.00pm. This is just to pop in, see the class, and look at their books. It is not for individual teacher/parent meetings. These will take place later in the term.

## Opportunity to try a School Lunch – Thursday 03 October:

Next Thursday the school caterers are providing the children with the opportunity to sample a school lunch. The choices available are:

- Margherita Pizza and or Chicken Nuggets
- Marble sponge cake

All children will automatically be signed up for this lunch. However, they may also bring in their own packed lunch but still sample items on offer. There will be no pressure to taste the food, it will be offered and they can try any of the food items they wish. Children with special diets have been contacted separately.

#### Wednesday lunch (swapped)

Please note that the lunch on Wednesday will be either:

- Vegetable Wellington
- Sliced beef with Yorkshire pudding. Both options will be served with roast potatoes and vegetables of the day

#### **Staff Changes**

Today we said a sad goodbye to Mrs Parker as she takes the next steps in her career. Whilst we are sorry that she is leaving we wish her every success as she moves on in her career but I'm sure she will stay in touch with all the staff.

Following a round of interviews I am delighted to inform you that Miss Hewitt will be the new face on the front office. There will be approximately four weeks where the office is very short staffed so we ask that you are patient, remember lunch boxes and PE kits and all telephone messages regarding changes to collection arrangements are received by 2.45pm unless in an emergency. There may be times when the phone cannot be answered, please leave a message on the answerphone as this will be checked at regular intervals during the day.

#### **Breakfast and Beehive After School Club Invoices**

Invoices were sent out via email by Mrs Gray on 03 September and all Breakfast Club fees should have been paid in full. If paying by instalments for the afterschool club, a substantial amount should have been paid against your invoice.

#### **Second-hand Uniform**

We have a large selection of second-hand uniform which is available for you to purchase (via an honesty box). This is located in the reception lobby. With ever increasing costs, this is worth a look before purchasing new uniform.

#### **Christmas cards**

Today your child will be bringing home artwork which is needed if you wish to purchase Christmas cards. **Please note that this artwork must be returned to the school as without it, the cards cannot be reproduced.** Please refer to the letter that was sent out earlier today <u>Christmas Card Letter</u>

#### **Busy Bees**

These children received their Busy Bee Stamp this week and this was celebrated in a year group assembly:

**Year 1:** Ariana Ashby, Rory Dillon, Theo Horrocks, Malori Lambe, Benjamin Lees, Jacob-Joey Shergold, Darcie Spencer and Noah Whall. **Year 2:** Arthur Bartram, Jensen Morley and Jaxon Ness.

These children finished their busy bee certificates and have received a Busy Bee Motif which can be sewed onto their jumpers/cardigans: Isla Ferguson, Aurelia Lowe and Isabella North.

## **Class Reading Challenge: Raffle Winners**

I am delighted to let you know that the class winners of this week's raffle were:

- Doves' Class
- Owls' Class

## **Reporting Absence**

A reminder that as well as telephoning the school, you can also report your child's absence via a company called **Studybugs** which enables you to go online via a phone or computer to report your child's absence securely. To get the free Studybugs app, or register on their website go to (<a href="https://studybugs.com/about/parents">https://studybugs.com/about/parents</a>). If your child is unwell, it is your responsibility to inform the school of this.

#### **Forest School Sessions**

Timetables for this half term have already been sent out and the timetable for next week is shown below. Paper copies are on the notice boards by the North Door and the South Door Paper copies are on the notice boards by the North Door and the South Door. Paper copies are on the notice boards by the North Door and the South Door. You are also able to check the timetable by clicking the following links:

Year R Autumn A Forest and PE Timetable

Autumn A: Year 1 and Year 2 Forest and PE Timetable

Year R			
Date	Forest School	PE	
Thursday	Kingfishers	Robins	
03 October		Wagtails	

Year 1				
Date	Forest School	PE		
Wednesday	Doves	Woodpeckers		
02 October		Blackbirds		

Year 2			
Date	Forest School	PE	
Thursday 03	Kestrels	Eagles	
October	Restreis	Owls	

#### **Lunch Menu**

Next week's menu will be: Week 1. Please click on the following links to access the menus online: <a href="https://example.com/hot-menu">hot menu</a> or <a href="https://example.com/Jacket Potato Menu">Jacket Potato Menu</a> Paper copies are on the notice boards by the North Door and the South Door and in Wagtails' Class window.

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Yours sincerely

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