



# Purbrook Infant School

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## Thursday Tribune



### Christmas Tree: Thank you

This year we have been lucky enough to have received a lovely donated Christmas Tree from the Harrington Family. This is taking pride of place in the school hall. We would like to say a big thank you to them for their generosity.

### Parental Consultations: Tuesday and Thursday Next Week

You should by now have booked an appointment to see your child's class teacher using the online booking system.

Most consultations will take place in your child's classroom with the exception of Wagtails' Class and Robins' Class. Wagtails' Class will take place in Mrs de Carteret's office and Robins' Class will take place in Mrs Bailey's Office (signs will be displayed). Please could we ask you to wait until 3.25pm before coming back into school. This will allow teachers time to deliver all children to their parents safely, prepare their classrooms and take a comfort break.

### Christmas Lights

We would also like to say a big thank you to B&Q Havant for their kind donation of fairy lights. These are lighting up our forest school area for our Winter Wonderland events.

### Christmas Presents

This year, once again, instead of buying class or individual presents, the staff have brought presents which will be given to a charity who will distribute these to children in the local area who are unlikely to receive a Christmas present this year.

### Santa Dash: Tuesday 10 December

All schools in the local area will be taking part individually in this event. Each class will do a couple of laps of the playground. Please can they come to school wearing trainers. They may, if they wish, come in with a Christmas Jumper, Santa Hat, or other Christmas head decoration which they can wear on the run.



### Other Events taking place next week

#### Wednesday 11 December:

- Year R and Year 1 Performances – please refer to letter previously sent out to request tickets

***Please remember to bring your Christmas production tickets with you on the day  
Please bring some change to purchase a programme and for our retiring collection***

- Year R Forest school event at 3.20pm. Please pick your child up as normal and then walk round to the forest together
- Thursday 12 December: Mufty day: Read or Green or Christmas jumpers in exchange for cake for Christmas Fayre

### Sale of Tokens for the Fayre

Next week the PTFA will be selling tokens for the Christmas Fayre. This will take place, Thursday after school and on Friday before school and before the Fayre commences. £5 for 10 tickets. Further details to follow next week regarding where they will be located. They are able to take either cash or card payments.

### Reminder re **VERY Important Date: Friday 13 December – SCHOOL CLOSING AT 1.15PM**

As previously advised, this year we are having our annual fayre on a Friday at 1.45pm which is resulting in the school closing at 1.15pm. We have done this as it has become increasingly difficult for the PTFA to get enough volunteers to run the stalls and to help tidy up afterwards. In this way all staff are able to run a stall. The children will therefore have lunch at school and we need you to collect them at 1.15pm. The Christmas Fayre will start at 1.45pm.



Please note that the Beehive After School Club will not be running on this day and no charge will be made. This will also affect children who attend from Purbrook Junior School.

**Change of Lunch Option: Friday 13 December**

Due to the Christmas Fayre taking place, the children will be eating in class on this day. This has necessitated a change in menu. The options will be hot dog in a roll (vegetarian option available). There will be no jacket potato option on this day. If you have already chosen your child’s lunch on this day, you will need to re-order.

**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 (<https://studybugs.com/about/parents>). 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. Additional PE sessions will take place on Tuesday for children in Year 1 and on Friday for children in Year 2. You are also able to check the timetable by clicking the following links:

[Year R Autumn B Forest and PE Timetable](#)

[Autumn B: Year 1 and Year 2 Forest and PE Timetable](#)

Year R		
Date	Forest School	PE
Thursday 12 December	Kingfishers	Robins
		Wagtails

Year 2		
Date	Forest School	PE
Wednesday 11 December	Kestrels	Eagles
		Owls

Year 1		
Date	Forest School	PE
Thursday 12 December	Doves	Blackbirds
		Woodpeckers

**Lunch Menu**

As you are aware, we have changed our school catering company and alongside this, our menu. This is now available for parents to view and order online. Please go to <https://app.schoolgrid.co.uk/> where you can view and order a lunch for your child.

**Ordering in Advance:** You can order in advance for the whole week (possibly longer). If you do this but then your child is not in school before 9.15am because you are late or are taking them to an appointment but you haven’t informed us of this, **their lunch request will be cancelled** and you will need to provide them with a packed lunch. Whilst lunches are free to parents, the school has to pay for these.

If your child has an appointment and will be in late but requires a lunch that day, please let us know by leaving the school a voicemail. We have set up a designated telephone option – option 4. You can pre-order a lunch or leave us a message (before 9.15am). We just need you to let us know that your child will be in later that day. Please do not leave a message on the normal absence line as staff may not get to your message in time

Please click on the following link which takes you to a letter we sent out last half term which provides full details of the change: [Change of School Caterer and Ordering Food](#)

**Jacket Potato Menu** – please click on the following link to view the daily choice of fillings [Jacket Potato Menu](#)

**INSET Day: Friday 06 December**

A reminder that the school is closed tomorrow, Friday 06 December for an INSET Day. We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 09 December.

Yours sincerely

Mrs L A de Carteret  
**Headteacher**