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Friday Flier



Into the Wild: Special Taster Lunch

Thank you to our cook Claire Hardy and her staff for making this a very successful event and for parents in supporting this. The children seemed to enjoy their lunch. We will be having another one in May!

Breakfast Invoices

If your child attends breakfast club, all invoices should have been settled in full by now.

Beehive Invoices

If your child attends Beehive club you should by now have paid an initial payment or settled this in full.

Safety in The Car Park

We have worryingly been informed that some parents who use the South Door (closest to the main gates) are allowing their children to play hide and seek in the car park whilst they wait for the doors to open! Please can you keep your children close to you at all times as the car park can be very busy at times. Particularly when the gates aren't working and a minority of parents are not being respectful of the rules and are taking advantage of this fact and driving onto the school site. This is an accident waiting to happen! **Please can I respectfully remind parents that the car park is for staff only and parents who have permission to park on site.** In this way we can keep the children safe. Thank you.

Hold the Date: PTFA Valentine's Day Disco

- ❖ Year 1 and Year 2: Monday 10 February
- ❖ Year R: Tuesday 11 February

Further details to follow shortly.

Bikes and Scooters

Please do not allow your child to ride their bicycle or scooter once they are inside the school gates. The school site is very busy at the beginning and end of the school day and children travelling at speed on 'their vehicles' present a hazard to other children and older adults who may find it hard to get out of the way. In order to avoid accidents, I would ask you to co-operate with this request.

Locking of Purbrook Junior School playground gate after school

As you may know, they operate an afterschool care club and several on-site afterschool sports clubs at the school. This means that there are children using the playground and field after the end of school.

They recently had an incident where a child attending one of these clubs has tried to leave the school grounds through the gate (opposite the pond) leading to Elizabeth Road. For the safety of all the children in their care, they cannot allow this to happen again.

Therefore, the gate leading from the playground to Elizabeth Road will be locked from 3.40pm until 4.20pm. We appreciate that this may cause some inconvenience to those parents who pick up their children from various after school clubs, but we hope you will understand their safeguarding reasons for doing so.

Busy Bees

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

Year R: Florrie Ackerman and Arlo Wilson. **Year 1:** Tommy Foster, Matteo Harris Richichi, Ethan Hill and Archie Sadler. **Year 2:** Arthur Bartram, Freya Bone, Kiera Bulbeck, Isla Ferguson, Ernie Hansler-Saunders, Isabella North and Albie Pearce.

Class Reading Challenge: Raffle Winners

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

- Wagtails’ Class
- Blackbirds’ Class
- Eagles’ 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 (<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 Spring A Forest and PE Timetable](#)

[Year 1 and Year 2: Spring A Forest and PE Timetable](#)

Year R		
Date	Forest School	PE
Thursday 23 January	Robins	Wagtails
		Kingfishers

Year 2		
Date	Forest School	PE
Wednesday 22 January	Owls	Kestrels
		Eagles

Year 1		
Date	Forest School	PE
Thursday 23 January	Woodpeckers	Blackbirds
		Doves

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](#)

Yours sincerely

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