Purleigh Post

Achievement for all in a community that cares

Friday 6th November 2026

Hello Everyone,

Welcome back after half term- we hope you had a good break, and are ready for the busy rush that will quickly take us through the Autumn Term and into December. The first week back after half term has been as busy as ever. The Year 6 children deserve particular credit for their hosting skills as they led our first EYFS Open Afternoon yesterday. The children spoke with great maturity and confidence about their school, and it was lovely to hear the positive feedback from our visitors on their experiences. Next week will see the whole school mark Remembrance on Wednesday as well as Children in Need next Friday. Both of these events are an important part of the school calendar and remind pupils once again to think about the wider world around them.

Mr Stotter

PARKING AT PURLEIGH

Following our recent messages regarding parking in the areas around the school, we can confirm that local parking agencies will be closely monitoring our local roads around pick up and drop off times. This may lead to them awarding penalties to cars parked incorrectly. Please be mindful when parking in close proximity to the school gates, as this can impinge on the safety of people using the footpaths, and access to the school. Thank you for your understanding and support of our aim to ensure the safety of everyone.



Freddie C
Maximus H
Chester C
Elowen W
Juliette W

We hope you all have a wonderful day!

THE GOLDEN BOOK

Congratulations to the following children who are in the Golden Book this week:

Class R- Tigerlily R Class 1- Madison S Class 2- Frankie

Class 3- Alfie D Class 4- Bridget M

Class 5- Grace C Class 6- Grace F

Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 10th November	Flu Immunisations
Wednesday 11th November	Remembrance Day
Thursday 12th November	EYFS Open Afternoon
Friday 13th November	Children in Need
Monday 16th November	Multi-Cultural Week
Thursday 19th November	EFYS Open Afternoon
Thursday 19th November	Open Class (3.10-4pm)
Tuesday 24th November	Choir Trip to Royal Albert Hall
Friday 27th November	PTA Disco
Tuesday 1st December	Christmas Art Day
Monday 7th December	Nativity Week Begins
Wednesday 9th December	School Jumper & Christmas Lunch Day
Tuesday 15th December	Cinderella Panto at The Civic Theatre
Wednesday 16th December	Rock Steady Concert
Thursday 17th December	Class Parties
Friday 18th December	Non-Uniform Day (Last Day of Term)
Tuesday 5th January	Pupils Return for Spring Term
Tuesday 12th January	Year 6 Sports Hall Athletics
Thursday 28th January	Year 3 Greek Day
Monday 1st February	Children's Mental Health Week
Tuesday 9th February	Chinese New Year & Pancake Day Meal
Tuesday 9th February	Year 4 Superstars
Wednesday 10th February	Year R & 5 Road Safety
Thursday 4th March	World Book Day
Friday 5th March	World Book Day Sale
Monday 8th March	TT Rockstars Competition Week
Tuesday 16th March	KS2 Gymnastics Competition

AROUND THE CLASSES

CLASS 2

This week Year 2 have been spending lots of time looking at our fantastic Time Travellers topic. We have explored the famous Gunpowder Plot, exploring the reasons for why King James I was unpopular with the plotters. We make little books recounting the events, before turning our attention to World War 1 and Remembrance. We have written some beautiful heartfelt acrostic poems, recognising the sacrifices made by the brave soldiers in the trenches. Next week we will be visiting the War Memorial and reflecting upon the enormous impact the war had on life.

In Maths we have started looking at addition and subtraction, trying to understand the tricky concept of inverse operation- that is where we can move the numbers in a sum around to turn an addition into a subtraction. The class have shown good understanding of this, which is so important in helping us to do a range of more complicated sums in the future.

CLASS 1

Year 1 have had a busy and exciting first week back! The children have been learning all about Guy Fawkes and why we celebrate Bonfire Night. They discovered how Guy Fawkes planned to blow up the Houses of Parliament because they were unhappy with King James I. The children then enjoyed sequencing the events in the correct order, showing what they had learnt about this historical event. In Art, the children created their own colourful Bonfire Night firework pictures using chalk. They experimented with different colours and patterns to create some wonderful firework-inspired artwork. In Maths, we have continued to explore number bonds to 10. The children have been working hard to find different ways of making 10 and have started learning how to approach these calculations systematically to ensure they find all the possible combinations effectively. It has been a fantastic week back and the children are having lots of fun learning new things.

CLASS R

Over the last couple of weeks Class R have started their new topic...Let's Celebrate 🎉. Last week Class R focused on Bonfire night, how to stay safe around them and the story of Guy Fawkes. Class R had lots of fun painting their own fireworks (on paper and windows!) and watching a 'safe science' firework display.


PURLEIGH
Purleigh Community Primary School
September Intake 2027
✔ Full reception class for September 2026
✔ Calm and purposeful learning environment
✔ "Outstanding behaviour and attitudes" - Ofsted May 2024
✔ Fantastic Early Years facilities and resources
✔ Dedicated staff, leading enthusiastic children
✔ Proven leadership, for academic outcomes that are above local and national data
✔ Must be viewed, you won't be disappointed!
✔ Part of Quantum Multi-Academy Trust
✔ Beautiful natural school grounds
✔ Local 'Outstanding' breakfast and after school provision (situated adjacent to the school)
A GOOD School
We are now welcoming visits from parents and carers for children of reception age for September 2027! Please call the school to book your visit for either the 5th, 12th or 19th November.
Visit our School site at www.purleighprimary.com
or the Academy at www.qmat.uk
Purleigh Community Primary School
Pump Lane, Purleigh, Chelmsford CM3 6PJ Tel: 01621 828282
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Purleigh EYFS

- In EYFS we aim to give our children the best possible start.
- We at Purleigh Community Primary School want our children to be happy, confident, well-rounded individuals with a love for learning.
- We connect with the idea that play is an essential characteristic of learning and that every child should have the opportunity to learn through play.
- Learning is welcoming, fun and suitably challenging for all individuals.
- We love to offer a wide range of curriculum enriching experiences that get the children excited about learning. This includes seasonal village walks and other visits where we make connections with the wider community.
- We are committed to providing the best possible start to children's school life, teaching them key skills and giving them experiences which will ensure their well-being, love for learning and ability to build strong relationships.
- With our developed but ambitious curriculum, we look at nurturing our children to be the best individuals that they can be.









Key Finding Whole School

Our OFSTED inspection in May 2024 highlighted these strengths:

- The school has high ambitions for what pupils learn and can achieve.
- In Reception, children quickly learn and demonstrate the school's values.
- Children in Reception delight in learning and take pleasure in exploring the world around them.
- In Reception, staff provide children effective opportunities to learn the curriculum through play.
- Starting in Reception, pupils learn to sustain their concentration for extended periods of time.
- During lessons, pupils support each other and celebrate each other's success.
- Pupils learn remarkably well how to care for each other.
- Pupils value being part of this welcoming school where everyone has a 'buddy'.