



Purleigh Post

Achievement for all in a community that cares

Friday 21st November 2025

Hello,

This week has, as always, been a busy one!

The PTA Christmas Fayre took place on Wednesday, with lots of fabulous stalls all around the school. I want to thank the PTA team for the enormous amount of time and energy they have put into this event. We understand it is a huge undertaking that requires a large amount of dedication and effort to make it a success. We were also delighted to welcome many of you into school on Thursday after school to look at the hard work that is going on in our classrooms. It is a great chance to celebrate the children's work!

Enterprise Week was a great success- the children have loved looking at different aspects of the curriculum and using skills they do not normally use.

Mr Stotter



**Cameron C George N-C
Bonnie H Amelia S
Lottie H Emelia C**



We hope you have a fantastic day!

This Week in Assembly

This week in assembly we have looked at-

MANNERS

We all need to be courageous at times to help us take on challenges that might be tough or challenge us.

How have you been courageous this week?

Dates for the Diary

Thursday 27 th November	Stay & Play (EYFS 2026- 2.30-3.30pm)
Friday 28 th November	Christmas Art Day & PTA Disco
Wed 3 rd & Thurs 4 th December	Panto @ Civic Theatre
Monday 8 th December	Nativity Week
Wednesday 10 th December	Christmas Lunch Day
Wednesday 17 th December	Rocksteady Performance
Thursday 18 th December	Class Christmas Party
Friday 19 th December	Last Day of Term- Non-Uniform Day
Monday 5 th January	Pupils return for Spring Term
Tuesday 13 th January	Year 6 Sports Hall Athletics
Wednesday 4 th February	Year 4 Superstars
Friday 6 th February	PTA Disco
Mon 16 th - Fri 20 th February	Spring Half Term
Tuesday 24 th February	Year 6 trip to Chelmsford Museum
Thursday 26 th February	Year 1 trip to Hollytrees
Friday 6 th March	World Book Day
Tuesday 17 th March	KS2 Gymnastics Competition
Monday 23 rd March	Parents Evening Week

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We wanted to send a big thank you to Meadow Croft Garden Centre for their last minute heroics that supported our Christmas Fayre with a very generous food donation. We are incredibly grateful for your kindness and generosity.

AROUND THE CLASSES

CLASS 2

Year 2 really got into Enterprise Week! Our plan was simple: make as many friendship bracelets as we could, and them as bright and colourful as we could. We chose different themes for our bracelets that we thought would be popular with our customers. We eventually decided to make Harry Potter, Minecraft, K Pop and Wicked inspired ones, using colours from each to form our designs. After that we also made more that were a mixture of pretty and detailed patters. We loved making posters and practicing selling our bracelets to other people. Well done everyone for a great week of learning.



CLASS 1

This week, Year 1 have been busy becoming entrepreneurs! The children have thrown themselves into a range of enterprise activities. We began by designing our very own key rings. The children spent time thinking carefully about their ideas before getting creative. To help them decide on a fair price for their products, they carried out market research by visiting other classes and gathering information. After making their key rings, the children reflected on what went well and what they might improve. Year 1 have also been working hard in their writing. They produced some lovely sets of instructions on how to make a key ring. Well done Year 1.

CLASS R

Class R have been exceptionally busy this term, embracing their entrepreneurial spirit during Enterprise Week. The children have thoroughly enjoyed the hands-on experience of tipping, mixing, and moulding playdough, creating an array of delightful shapes and vibrant colours to sell. Their enthusiasm and creativity have shone through as they worked collaboratively to produce their imaginative creations. In addition to their enterprise activities, Class R have been exploring the rich cultural festival of Diwali. Engaging with the story of Rama and Sita has allowed them to appreciate important traditions associated with this festival, such as purchasing new clothes, spending precious time with family and friends, and designing intricate rangoli patterns using rice and sand. This week, the students have also delightfully crafted their own diva lamps from clay and expressed their artistic flair by drawing beautiful Mehndi patterns. It has been a truly enriching experience for all!

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Please can you ensure your child has booked their Christmas Lunch before Friday 28th November. This will allow the school kitchen to prepare for a very busy day.



MOVE WITH US

The Essex Child and Family Wellbeing Service are offering FREE "MOVE with US" sessions. A FREE weekly activity session for Primary aged children and their family. To help 5-11 year olds discover what motivates them to move and find out about services, groups, and activities in their local community that they might enjoy. The school nurse will be available at these sessions. The sessions are 3.30-4.30pm - On a Wednesday at Dengie Family Hub Delivery Site, Ormiston Rivers Academy, Southminster Road, CM0 8QB and on a Thursday at Chetwood Family Hub Delivery Site, Shirebourn Vale, SWF, CM3 5ZX. More information can be found on the link below or please see Mrs Priest with any questions.

2025/26 Dates

Friday 19 th December	Last Day of Autumn Term 2025/26
Monday 22 nd December - Friday 2 nd January	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
Monday 5 th January 2026	First Day of Spring Term 2025/26
Monday 16 th February - Friday 20 th February 2026	SPRING HALF TERM
Friday 27 th March 2026	Last Day of Spring Term 2025/26
Monday 30 th March – Friday 10 th April 2026	EASTER HOLIDAY
Monday 4 th May 2026	May Bank Holiday
Friday 22 nd May 2026	Inset Day
Monday 25 th – Friday 29 th May 2026	SUMMER HALF TERM
Friday 17 th July 2026	Last Day of Summer Term 2025/26