



Purford Green Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of another school year, I would like to thank you for your continued support this year. At Purford Green we continue to develop and strive to be the great school we are, and we couldn't do that without our families' and community's support. We would like to also take this opportunity to thank the whole staff team for their continued hard work and commitment to ensuring our children have great learning experiences and opportunities. And finally, a HUGE well done to the wonderful children of Purford Green who have worked so hard and shone all year.

We wish you all a lovely summer break and look forward to seeing you all on September 2nd.

Please remember that the main school closes early tomorrow at 1.30pm.

Mrs Rachel Thomson

Goodbyes

It is with mixed emotions that we announce the retirement of two cherished members of our team, Mrs Taylor and Mrs Campion.

Mrs Taylor has dedicated 24 years to our school community, while Mrs Campion has contributed 17 years of invaluable service here at Purford Green. Their commitment has gone beyond their professional roles — both have strong personal ties to the school, with their own children having attended here.

Throughout their many years with us, Mrs Taylor and Mrs Campion have been pillars of support, kindness, and dedication. They have made an incredible difference to countless children's lives, and we are truly grateful for everything they have done and will miss them dearly. We wish them both a happy and fulfilling retirement.

We are also sad to say goodbye to Mr Barnes who has been covering for Miss Challis whilst she was on maternity leave. He has been an asset to the team, and we wish him well for the future.

Goodbye Year 6

The time has come around again when we say goodbye and good luck to our oldest children in school as they embark on their new adventures at secondary school. We are immensely proud of you all and you should be proud of what you have achieved throughout your journey here at Purford Green.

Purford Green Successes

We are delighted to inform you of our school statutory assessment results this year which are testament to the pupils' efforts and staff dedication and commitment to giving children the best education they can have. There is also a comparison given to other schools nationally.

Reception

85% of children achieved a good level of development (GLD) meaning they have met age related standards in: Communication and Language development, Physical Development, Personal, Social and Emotional Development and Literacy and Maths. National comparisons are 69% so we are above national in this area. A super well done to the reception children.

Year 1 Phonics Scores

79% of children have passed the phonic check which is a great achievement. National comparisons are 80% which means Purford Green is in line with National outcomes. A special well done to year 1 children.

Year 4 Multiplication Check

96% of children scored 20+ (out of 25)
82% achieved 25/25 (National data 38%). A huge well done to all the children in year 4 for their hard work learning their times tables.

Year 6 SATS

88% of children met expected levels in reading. National data is 75%.
86% of children have met expected levels in writing. National data is 72%
79% met expected levels in maths. National data is 74%.
72% of children met expected levels in all areas of reading, writing and maths compared to 62% nationally.
Well done to all our Year 6 children for their hard work and resilience.

A huge well done to all the staff at Purford Green who are dedicated to ensuring our children make such good progress; and to you as parents and carers for your continued support.

House Winners

The winning house with the most house points earned this year is Dragon House. Children and staff of the winning house have taken part a sports afternoon at Passmores.

EYFS and Key Stage 1 Reading Awards

Thank you to all parents and carers this term who have continued in our important mission of creating a love of reading. Reading and sharing books with younger children is the best gift you can give them. You are helping your child to empathise by talking about characters and feelings. You are helping your child to problem solve by using clues in illustrations or words they see and hear. You are helping your child to be curious about the world and ask questions and the most important of all, your child will feel safe, loved and the most important part of your world - not always easy to achieve in a world now which can be full of distractions.

Lots and lots of children have received their certificates for their recognition of all of the books they have read and shared at home over this year. Congratulations to all children who received a certificate whether for reading 30 books or for some, over 500!

A special mention to the following children who have read 120 books and been awarded our platinum certificate and won themselves a book of their choice. Nursery

Nursery / Reception: Finley, Leon, Albert, Kaiden

Year 1: Amelia, Aaron, Oscar

Year 2: Ophelia, Loretta, Frankie, Hugo

Year 3: David, Elisa, Leyo, Grace, Reggie, Elias, Benas, Charlie

The following children have become Superhero readers and have read 150 books or significantly more. They have taken home a prize of their choice. Children in year 1,2 and now year 3, enjoyed a special reading session with cakes and refreshments.

Nursery - Finley

Reception - Albert and Kaiden

Year 1 - Ivy, Freddie and Jasmine (220)

Year 2 - Loretta, Frankie (562) and Hugo (339)

Year 3 - JJ, Timeea, Ryan, and Maisie (180) Bobby (180) and Summer (180)

Teachers have helped them to choose a book which will be ordered and passed to them when they return in September and school budgets reopen.

Summer Reading Challenge

Louise, our reading champion from Tye Green Library, has visited the children to tell them about this year's Summer Reading Challenge. Please remember to pop into your local library and sign your child up to take part! Children enjoy the challenges set and are rewarded with stickers, a medal and a certificate for taking part and reading a set number of books. Please visit <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk>

