



## Purford Green Primary School

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# March 2026 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers

We have made it to the end of a very busy spring term. Many exciting events have taken place including class assemblies, World Book Day and Red Nose Day. Staff and children are ready for a well-deserved rest to recharge batteries ready for the longer summer term.



On the last day of the spring term, it is a tradition at Purford Green for staff members to donate Easter eggs and other treats for a free Easter raffle for the children. It is always a fun event, and I would like to personally thank all the members of staff who have donated a prize this year and congratulations to the children who were lucky enough to win a treat!

It was lovely to have a visit from Nibbles, the Easter Bunny who came to say hello to the children after school. Thank you for your donations to charity- we raised £55.29 for St Clare Hospice.

We do hope that you enjoy some lovely family time over the holidays and fingers crossed that the weather will be kind to us; we look forward to welcoming all our families back to school on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April.

Best wishes and have a happy Easter!

Mrs Thomson



## World Book Day

World Book Day was a fantastic celebration across the school, with children and staff fully embracing the joy of reading. It was wonderful to see everyone getting involved, from creative costumes to engaging activities that brought stories to life. Well done to the winners of the best costumes and thank you to everyone who helped make the day so special!



## Spelling Bee Winners

We have been remarkably impressed with how well so many of our children have been learning their spellings for the Spelling Bee competition. The finals have now taken place and were fabulous to watch. Well done to all the winners:

- Year R - Lawrence
- Year 1— Sadie
- Year 2— Loreta
- Year 3—David
- Year 4—Emily
- Year 5—Matei
- Year 6—Leon



We also had a Key Stage 2 Interschool Spelling Bee between the four primary schools in the PCLC Trust. All four of the children performed brilliantly and I am delighted to share that Leon and David won their rounds.



## Lions on the Loose



Thank you to all the children who entered the Lions on the Loose design competition. It was wonderful to see so many children getting involved and sharing their fantastic ideas. From this fundraiser we have raised **£41 for St Clare Hospice**. This is a fantastic contribution towards supporting the important work they do for families in our local area. We are currently in the process of reviewing all the entries, and **winners will be announced after the Easter holidays**. We know the children are excited, and we appreciate your patience while we carefully make our selections. Once again, thank you for your continued support and for helping make this project such a special experience for the children.

## Uniform

A reminder that all children should be wearing black shoes as part of our uniform policy. For hygiene purposes, the shoes should be separate from their PE trainers and open toed sandals, or any crocs should not be worn for safety reasons. We appreciate that some families may be struggling with the cost of living, please come and see us if you need support with purchasing school uniform.

## Jewellery and make up

Please remember that children should not wear any jewellery to school other than a cheap analogue watch and small studded earrings which they must be able to remove for P.E. Make up, nail varnish and tattoos, are not allowed and we will ask children to wipe them off whilst in school.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### Summer Term

- Monday 13th April – Children return to school
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April – Year 6 Danbury meeting for parents @3pm
- Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April – Year 1 Class Assembly @9.15am
- Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May – Class Photos
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May – KS2 SATs

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May – Reception Class Assembly @9.15am

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Non-Uniform Day (50p donation to school)

**Half Term Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May**

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June – children return to school**

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June – Sports Day (morning and picnic)

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 Danbury Residential

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June Year 2 Trip Harlow Playhouse

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June - School Choir Music festival @ Harlow Town Park

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 at their new secondary school for the day

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June – Year 1 Leeds Castle Trip

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Year 6 Southend Trip

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Summer Fete and Purford Green 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers Assembly @ 4pm

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July – Rocksteady performance to parents @9.15am

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July – Nursery last Day

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Non uniform Day

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Children finish @ 1.30pm