



Purford Green Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As we reach the end of another successful school year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support throughout the year. At Purford Green, we are committed to continually developing and striving to be the exceptional school our children deserve, and we simply couldn't do this without the unwavering support of our families and wider community.

This year has been particularly special as we celebrated **Purford Green's 70th anniversary**. We were delighted to mark this milestone with a **special anniversary concert and summer fair**, both of which brought together pupils, staff, families, former pupils and members of the community in a celebration of all that makes Purford Green such a special place.

I would also like to extend my sincere thanks to our dedicated staff team for their continued hard work, professionalism and commitment. Their passion and care ensure that every child enjoys enriching learning experiences and opportunities to thrive each day.

Finally, a huge well done to the wonderful children of Purford Green. You have worked incredibly hard throughout the year, embraced every opportunity with enthusiasm, and represented our school with pride. You should all be very proud of your achievements.

We wish you all a lovely summer break and look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday September 3rd.

Mrs Rachel Thomson

Goodbyes

It is with sadness that we announce that Mrs Keen will be leaving us at the end of this term. Mrs Keen has dedicated 18 years to our school community and over her time at the school, she has made a valuable contribution as both a teacher and leader of the school. Her dedication to teaching children has made an incredible difference to countless children's lives and we will miss her very much.

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.

Year 1 Phonics Scores

90% of children have passed the phonic check which is a great achievement. National comparisons are 80% which means Purford Green is above National outcomes. A special well done to year 1 children.

Year 4 Multiplication Check

80% of children scored 20+ (out of 25)

59% 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

86% of children met expected levels in reading. National data is 75%.

86% of children have met expected levels in writing. National data is 72%

83% met expected levels in maths. National data is 74%.

76% of children met expected levels in all areas of reading, writing and maths compared to 63% 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.

Uniform for September

As we prepare for the new academic year, we would like to inform you of an important update to our school uniform.

From September, children may wear either **shoes or trainers to school each day**, provided they are **plain black, smart, and suitable for school**.

- Plain black throughout
- No coloured soles
- No visible logos, branding, or advertising
- No coloured tongues, laces, stitching, or trims
- No Vans, Converse, or similar branded styles, even if they are entirely black

Please note: This change applies to school uniform only and does not affect our PE kit requirements where children need to bring a change of footwear (trainers or plimsolls) for PE.

School Uniform

green sweat shirt
or green cardigan

green fleece or
dark, winter
coat

weatherproof
fleece

white shirt

white shirt

white/
green polo
shirt

grey trousers or
shorts

black, flat shoes

grey/black tights
or white socks
(girls)

black shoes and
laces

grey skirt or
trousers

grey/black socks
(boys)

We would like to say a huge thank you to our Friends of Purford Green for their continued support of our school community. A special thank you for funding and providing the Year 6 hoodies.

The children are extremely proud to wear them, and they are a wonderful keepsake of their final year with us. We would also like to thank the Friends for organising the amazing Summer Fair. We all had a great afternoon and managed to raise £1125.31 for the school.