



Porters Grange Weekly

Friday 4th December 2020

Sneak peek at our week

Dates for the diary

DECEMBER

Friday 11th

Christmas Jumper and
Christmas Dinner Day

Monday 21st - Monday 4th

January

Christmas break

FEBRUARY

Friday 12th

INSET Day

Monday 15th - Friday 19th

Half term

Monday 22nd

INSET Day

MARCH

Monday 29th - Friday 9th

April

Easter break

MAY

Monday 3rd

Bank Holiday

Monday 31st

Bank Holiday

JUNE

Tuesday 1st - Friday 4th

Half term

Monday 7th

INSET Day

Early Years

Nursery

This week Nursery have enjoyed playing with an outside imaginative role play coffee shop drive through, which has been lots of fun. We have also enjoyed learning some ring games and songs and have done some fantastic building with the large blocks.

REMINDER: Please remember due to the conditions with regards to COVID, ventilation in the classroom needs to allow for the windows to be open. This can make the classroom quite cold so please make sure your child is dressed appropriately wearing layers. Thank you

Reception

We have been listening to instrumental Christmas music, the children have found these songs quite calming!

Some members of Reception have been making very long lengths using multilink at the maths table. They used chairs on which to balance the multilink and see how long they could build it.

We have also been discussing what the children would like from Santa. They have looked through some magazines for ideas and also attempted to write and draw pictures of what they would like.

REMINDER: It is Christmas Jumper Day on the 11th December, don't forget to dress in your best jumper!

Please remember to practise doing zips up with your child; it is important that they learn to stay warm outdoors during the coming months! Your child's book will be changed next week but they will not be heard read by us as their phonics assessment will be carried out.

PLEASE BRING IN A PHOTO OF YOUR CHILD AND THEIR FAMILY FOR OUR FAMILY DISPLAY.

Key Stage 1

Year 1

We received a letter from a 'concerned friend' stating that Lulu needed rescuing from a tree. We wrote letters suggesting different ways of helping her to get down. We have also been learning how to subtract from a given number. We are working out the packed lunches and school dinners every morning through subtraction, then writing the corresponding number sentence.

REMINDER: Don't forget Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner on Friday 11th December.

Year 2

In Year 2 we have been retelling the story of Hansel and Gretel. The children have worked really hard to make their writing interesting by adding adjectives. In maths we have started looking at and completing SATS papers. We have really enjoyed our learning this week.

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Key Stage 2

Year 3

In Year 3 we have been writing our own exciting adventure stories. In history we have been looking at the significant events of the Stone Age and arranging them in chronological order. In science we have been investigating shadows for our light topic and in design and technology we have been designing shelters using foraged materials.

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Year 4

This week Year 4 have been exploring play scripts. We have watched some actors in videos and have read aloud from scripts ourselves. We have also been busy completing some tests in reading, maths and spelling. The children have worked hard and have stayed positive which is fantastic!

REMINDER: Christmas jumper day is next week on the 11th December AND this is also Christmas dinner day!

Year 5

This week in English, we have been completing and modifying our adventure stories and have begun to look at the features of non-chronological reports. In maths, we have been completing some tests and are continuing our work on division. We have been testing out our models in science to investigate the force of air resistance.

REMINDER: Please ensure that water bottles are brought in each day and that the children have suitable outdoor clothing.

PE kits must also be in school.

Christmas Jumper day is on Friday 11th December.

Year 6

This week Year 6 have been writing sonnets including ten syllables per line based on Shakespeare's Sonnet 18. In computing, we have begun to look at creating 3D models.

REMINDER: Please read daily and record in your reading record.

Music

Instrumental Tuition

Woodwind and keyboard – Wednesday am

Drums – Wednesday pm

Violin Thursday am

Guitar Thursday pm

It is lovely to see pupils engaging in instrumental lessons.

These lessons are either 1:1 with the tutor, or 2 pupils sharing the time. They take place in a well-ventilated area and government safety guidelines will be followed at all times.

We have places available to learn the following instruments: keyboard, guitar, violin, clarinet, flute, saxophone, drums.

Please contact me if you would like details of these lessons.

French

In French this week Year 1 have made good progress with basic expressions; Year 3 have moved onto body parts, and Year 6 have made progress justifying opinions and moving on to weather in French.

Dinner menu - Week 3

Monday

- Roasted tomato & vegetable cheesy pasta
- Jackfruit katsu curry with rice
- Jacket potato with a choice of toppings
- Broccoli & mixed salad
- Caramelised pineapple sponge

Tuesday

- Mild jerk chicken with rice & peas
- Vegetarian spicy fried rice
- Pasta with a choice of toppings
- Sweetcorn
- Apple pie cinnamon roll

Wednesday (Change in usual menu due to Friday's Christmas Lunch)

- Fish fingers with homemade tomato ketchup & chips
- Homemade crispy vegetable nuggets
- Jacket potato with choice of toppings
- Baked beans & peas
- Lemon drizzle cake

Thursday

- Chicken & sweetcorn meatballs in a sweet & sour sauce with noodles
- Pitta pizza topped with houmous & roasted vegetables
- Pasta with a choice of toppings
- Green beans
- Chocolate shortbread biscuit

Friday – Christmas Lunch



- Roast turkey with thyme roast potatoes, chipolata, stuffing, glazed carrots, steamed peas & gravy
- Sweet potato, lentil & spinach wellington
- Chocolate Christmas pudding or chocolate Christmas tree

Freshly baked bread available daily



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