



# Porters Grange Weekly

Friday 8th November 2019

## Sneak peek at our week

### Dates for the diary

#### NOVEMBER

##### **Monday 11th**

Remembrance Observance

##### **Tuesday 12th**

Yr 3 trip to Hadleigh

##### **Thursday 14th**

Yr 6 height & weight check

##### **Friday 15th**

Children in Need  
dress down day

#### DECEMBER

##### **Monday 2nd**

Reception Christmas decorations  
with parents - 2pm

##### **Tuesday 3rd**

Yr 3&4 Christmas decorations with  
parents - 2pm

##### **Friday 6th**

Yr 1&2 Christmas decorations with  
parents - 2pm

##### **Wednesday 11th**

Reception Christmas concert –  
9.30am and 2.00pm

##### **Thursday 12th**

Yr 3&4 Christmas concert - 9.30am  
and 2.00pm

##### **Friday 13th**

Nursery Christmas concert –  
11.00am and 2.15pm

Christmas lunch

Yr 5&6 Christmas decorations with  
parents – 2pm

##### **Monday 16th**

Yr 1&2 Christmas concert - 9.30am  
and 2.00pm

##### **Tuesday 17th**

Yr 5&6 Christmas concert - 9.30am  
and 2.00pm

##### **Thursday 19th**

INSET DAY

##### **Friday 20th - Friday 3rd January**

Christmas Holidays

#### JANUARY

##### **Monday 6th**

Children return to work

#### FEBRUARY

##### **Friday 14th**

INSET DAY

### Early Years

#### Nursery

We have had a lovely week at Nursery. We have enjoyed participating in firework activities including: printing, firework biscuits, sandwiches and role play. We have also enjoyed making pizza as part of our cooking session.

**REMINDER:** Please remember your child must bring a coat every day to Nursery as we go in the garden every day. Thank you

#### Reception

Welcome back to school. We have had a good first week back and have enjoyed listening to the children's holiday news. We have been looking at the numbers 6 and 7 using Number Blocks on Cbeebies. If you have a smart phone or tablet you can access Number Blocks games on the Cbeebies website and watch episodes on iplayer. **REMINDER:** We will be exploring signs of autumn in the garden area. Please ensure that your child has a warm jacket, gloves, hat and scarf in school. Wellies would be welcomed too. Please make sure everything is named.

### Key Stage 1

#### Year 1

The children have settled quickly back into Year 1 and have been working very hard. During maths we have continued our subtraction learning using the strategy of counting backwards with a number line. We have introduced our Book Buddies! All the children chose their own one to have for this half term. They have committed to reading to their Book Buddy for 10 minutes every day. Please help your child to read to their Book Buddy and sign their reading record. **REMINDER:** We will be looking at the season autumn over the next couple of weeks. Please make sure your child has a warm jacket, gloves and a hat each day. Why not go on an autumn walk and collect some autumn nature such as leaves. Your child could take photos and bring in what they have found!

#### Year 2

This in Year 2 the children have been looking at subtraction of two digit numbers and have shown great understanding of their place value. In English, we have been exploring a new book and making predictions based on the clues the book has given us. We are starting our new topic of 'explorers and adventures' with the children creating their very own pirate flag. **REMINDER:** As the weather turns colder, please ensure that your child has a coat. Please ensure that your child has a full PE kit for school.

### Key Stage 2

#### Year 3

This week in Year 3 the children have been learning about the features of

## Dinner menu - Week 2

### Monday

- Vegetarian lasagne with hand cut potato wedges
- Jacket potato with cheddar cheese or tuna mayonnaise
- Garden peas & sweetcorn
- Ice cream

### Tuesday

- British chicken & vegetable pie with mashed potato & gravy
- Sweet & spiced potato & chickpea curry with lemon infused rice
- Pasta with vegetarian bolognese sauce
- Carrots & broccoli
- Apple & cinnamon crumble with custard

### Wednesday

- Honey glazed slow roasted gammon & rosemary roast potatoes with traditional gravy
- Spinach, feta & tomato quiche with rosemary roast potatoes
- Wholemeal pasta with tomato & basil sauce
- Roasted seasonal root vegetables & garden peas
- Waffle with chocolate sauce

### Thursday

- Farm assured British beef lasagne with garlic bread shard
- Chilli con carne & Mexican rice with a taco sail
- Jacket potato with cheddar cheese or salmon mayonnaise
- Green beans & sweetcorn
- Jam sponge with custard

### Friday

- Battered Fish fingers & chips
- Pasta with vegetarian bolognese sauce
- Baked beans & garden peas
- Chocolate & beetroot brownie

Salad bar & freshly baked bread available daily

instruction writing and have been creating their own set of instructions. Within maths lessons we have been reviewing methods for solving addition and subtraction questions as well as taking on the challenge of word problems.

**REMINDER:** Please remember our trip to Hadleigh Roundhouse is on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November. The children will need to bring a packed lunch, a snack and will need to wear their school jumper and top along with weather appropriate trousers and shoes e.g boots or wellies

## Year 4

This week has been very exciting for Year 4! We had our normal gym session on Monday followed by our first swimming lesson on Wednesday. Then on Thursday we had our magical trip to the theatre to see the musical 'Cinderella'. In English lessons we have been learning about play scripts and understanding how a theatre works. Within maths lessons we have started learning about different methods to multiply our times tables.

**REMINDER:** Remember to keep PE kits on school for our gym session on Mondays. Also don't forget a swimming costume and towel every Wednesday! A big well done to those everyday home readers.

## Year 5

In English we have been looking at the lyrics of David Bowie's Space Oddity. We have made predictions, thought of ways Major Tom could be rescued and written letters. In maths we have been looking at squared and cubed numbers and how we can calculate these. In art we have completed our fabric designs by printing over the top of our designs. In history we have looked at the different components of space rockets and how they got to the moon. **REMINDER:** Please make sure you bring your PE kits back to school. Sea Turtle class – as the weather is getting colder please make sure you send a pair of jogging bottoms to school for when the children walk to the Gymnastics Centre.

## Year 6

This week Year 6 have read the book The Ice Bear and have looked at the author's use of figurative language to enhance the writing. The children have also enjoyed visiting the gym and learning how to complete forward and backward rolls safely. In DT we have started our new topic where we are designing and making a model room complete with burglar alarms!

**REMINDER:** Please remember to bring a PE kit into school on Monday and Friday. Also don't forget to read daily and record in your reading record.

## Music

After school activities (3-4pm): Monday, Year 2 Music Making; Tuesday, Choir for years 3-6; Thursday, Porters Band.

Instrumental lessons: Monday – guitar; Wednesday woodwind and keyboard; Thursday – violin. Please make sure instruments are in school on these days. There are places available to learn musical instruments. Please see Mrs Baines for details

## French

This week Year 1 embark upon learning some basic greetings in French, Year 3 start their study of French with something similar and Year 6 recommence their study of the Tour de France.

