

# **Porters Grange Weekly**

Friday 20th September 2019

# Sneak peek at our week

## **Dates for the diary**

#### **OCTOBER**

Wednesday 2nd

Harvest festival

**Tuesday 15th** 

Parents Evening 3.15-5.30pm

Wednesday 16th

Parents evening - 3.15-5.30pm

Friday 25th

Individual photos

Monday 28th - Friday 1st November

Half Term

#### **NOVEMBER**

# Monday 4th

We apologise, last week was incorrect, this is not an inset day

Wednesday 6th

Flu immunisations

Monday 11th

Remembrance Observance

**Tuesday 12th** 

Yr 3 trip to Hadleigh

**Thursday 14th** 

Yr 6 height & weight check

#### **DECEMBER**

## Monday 2nd

Reception Christmas decorations with parents

**Tuesday 3rd** 

Yr 3/4 Christmas decorations with parents

Friday 6th

Yr 1/2 Christmas decorations with parents

Wednesday 11th

Reception Christmas concert

Thursday 12th

Yr 3/4 Christmas concert

#### Friday 13th

Nursery Christmas concert
Christmas lunch
Yr 5/6 Christmas decorations with
parents

# **Early Years**

# **Nursery**

This week we have again been welcoming new children and continue to learn the rules and routines. We have enjoyed using the malleable materials this week and had fantastic fun in the Nursery role play 'hairdressers.'

REMINDER: Please remember to bring a book bag every Monday so we can share a book with your child. They can then take the book home to continue their love of reading with you.

# Reception

What a fantastic start the children have made to Reception. We have been working hard to establish routines and learning to take turns. We are amazed at the children's manners and have really enjoyed playing both in the classroom and the garden.

REMINDER: Please remember to purchase a book bag for your child if they do not already have a bag. A light weight jacket is also needed. All children begin at 9:00am until 1:15pm from next Monday 23rd September, unless the class teacher has spoken to you about a reduced timetable.

# **Key Stage One**

## Year One

This week we have started our new Maths topic looking at counting up to ten. The children have been finding missing numbers, counting carefully and exploring the mathematical language of more, less, fewer and equal. In phonics we have started our new groups and are enjoying revising our sounds. In connected curriculum we have been creating our own self-portraits and looking at work of famous artists.

REMINDER: Please practise writing digits 1-10 with your children. Everyday your child needs to bring their reading book, reading record and tricky word book into school.

# **Year Two**

This week, we have starting looking at place value in Maths and identifying the tens and ones column and ordering numbers. In English, we have been sequencing the story of 'Hansel and Gretel' in preparation for writing our very own copy which the classes are excited about. During our Science lessons, we have been looking at plants and using scientific terminology to label them. REMINDER: Please continue to read on a daily basis with your children as it makes a huge difference. Test your child; ask them which number is bigger. For example, 64 or 36. Why do you think this?

# **Kev Stage Two**

# **Year Three**

This week in Year Three the children have been exploring 'Stone Age Boy' within English lessons and have been writing character descriptions -

#### Dinner menu - Week 1

#### Monday

- Chargrilled vegetarian fajitas with hand cut cajun spiced potato wedges
- Five bean chilli with lime infused brown rice
- Pasta with tomato and basil sauce
- Carrots and garden peas
- Caramelised apple and raisin crumble with custard

#### Tuesday

- Mild chicken masala with yellow rice
- Country vegetable cottage pie topped with herby sweet potato
- Jacket potato with cheddar cheese or tuna mayonnaise
- Broccoli and sweetcorn
- Sticky ginger cake with custard

#### Wednesday

- Slow roasted gammon, apple and rosemary chutney, traditional gravy with roast potatoes
- Teriyaki noodles with stir fried vegetables and mixed beans
- Wholemeal pasta with tomato and basil sauce
- Roasted seasonal root vegetables and seasonal cabbage
- Vanilla shortbread biscuit

# **Thursday**

- British beef burger in a bun with homemade BBQ relish and new potatoes
- Red lentil and cheese loaf with a rich tomato sauce and new potatoes
- Jacket potato with cheddar cheese or tuna mayonnaise
- Classic coleslaw and sliced tomato salad
- Traditional lemon sponge with custard

#### **Friday**

- Fish fingers & chips with tartar sauce
- Free range egg, cheese and vegetable frittata
- Pasta with tomato and basil sauce and grated cheese
- Baked beans and garden peas
- Raspberry ripple ice cream

Salad bar & freshly baked bread available daily

Considering the characters appearance and personality. Within Science lessons the children have explored the process of fossilisation and have been discussing how fossils are formed.

REMINDER: Well done to those children reading at home and bringing in their reading records each day. Reminder that we have P.E on Mondays so it is essential that P.E kits are in school.

## **Year Four**

Year Four have been looking at Roman myths in our English lessons. We have sequenced and discussed the text 'Romulus and Remus' and will be writing our version later in the month. In Maths we have been ordering and sequencing numbers. Science lessons have been all about the human body and this week we learnt the names of some bones in our body.

REMINDER: Well done to those children who are bringing in their reading records every day and keep reading at home too!

# **Year Five**

This week Year 5 have been writing biographies. We have continued our work on numbers up to 1,000,000. We have started to look at patterns in numbers and compare them. In History we have been continuing the debate on the historical ideas of whether the earth was flat or a spherical body.

REMINDER: For homework the children need to research facts about the explorer 'Ferdinand Magellan'. Please remember to read at home every night and make sure your book is signed.

# **Year Six**

This week Year 6 have started reading 'The Firework Maker's Daughter' and have looked at how the author describes the characters using a range of strategies. In History we have continued to look at how society has changed over time through our topic Crime and Punishment and have investigated electrical circuits in our Science lessons.

REMINDER: Please remember to read daily and record in your Reading Record.

# Music

We will soon be starting music clubs again. The times are detailed below.

Every child will need to reapply for a place in a music club. Letters will be available from Mrs Baines.

**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.

<u>Please note</u> - There will be no woodwind lessons next Wednesday (25<sup>th</sup>) but the 10 lessons will be completed before the end of term.

#### **French**

Year 2 will be picking up the pace with their learning of common words through pictures; Year 4 will be applying their knowledge of colours this week and Year 5 will be playing games with their knowledge of rooms in the house.



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