



Porters Grange Weekly

Friday 13th March 2020

Sneak peek at our week

Dates for the diary

MARCH

Wednesday 18th

Tag Rugby Borough Competition

Parents Evening - 3.30-6pm

Thursday 19th

Infant Music Festival

Parents Evening - 3.30-6pm

Yr 5 museum trip

Thursday 26th

Billy's Bank assembly

APRIL

Friday 3rd

Last Day of term

Monday 6th - Friday 17th

Easter holidays

Monday 20th

Children return to school

MAY

Friday 8th

Bank Holiday

Monday 11th - Friday 14th

SATS week

Monday 18th

SEESMA rehearsals

Monday 25th - Friday 29th

Half Term

JUNE

Monday 1st

INSET Day

Tuesday 9th

SEESMA Performance

Monday 22nd

Class photos

Monday 29th Wednesday 1st

Yr 6 Camping

Early Years

Nursery

This week we have enjoyed a range of different malleable textures. We have used cereals, shaving foam, rice and flour. We have also enjoyed porridge and sandwiches at snack time. **REMINDER:** Please remember to use your home/school book, to let us know all about the wonderful things you have been doing at home. We really enjoy sharing this with your child and adding them to their learning journeys. Thank you.

Reception

This week in maths, the children have been investigating shape and pattern. They have made repeating patterns with two and three colours, and looked for different shapes in the environment. We have also had fun with our self-service paint station where the children are now able to colour mix and create their own colour palletes. **REMINDER:** Please practise writing your child's name with them in lower case letters. Have a go at your surname too! Please continue to share your phonics comics with your child and talk to them about the phonemes they are learning in class.

Key Stage 1

Year 1

This week in maths, we have been answering word problems. We have read the questions carefully and decided if we need to add or subtract. In English, we have been reading The Little Red Hen. We have created our own story maps and used these to help us begin to re-write the stories. We have also been learning about reptiles and their different features. **REMINDER:** Please read with your child regularly and sign their reading diary. If you would like to purchase a photo of your child with an owl, please return the order form to school by Friday 20th March.

Year 2

This week in Year 2, the children have been investigating the features of a poem as we have been preparing to write our very own about special people and friends in our life. Within mathematics, we have been looking at reasoning problems around money, capacity and scales. **REMINDER:** Please keep reading at home with your children; 5 minutes a day can improve their spelling and writing as well as reading skills. If you would like to purchase a photo of your child with an owl, please return the order form to school by Friday 20th March.

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

Key Stage 2**Year 3**

This week the children have been writing non-chronological reports about rainforest animals that they have been researching. In geography, the children explored the impact of deforestation on the Amazon rainforest and tracked how it has changed over a period of time. **REMINDER:** Thank you to all the parents that have been regularly reading with their children; please continue to do so.

Year 4

This week the children have been learning about condensation in science. We have been trying to recreate condensation that you would find in the home or outside but inside the classroom. In history we have studied Mayan art and found out how they made different things. **REMINDER:** Please keep reading at home with your children; 5 minutes a day can improve their spelling and writing as well as reading skills.

Year 5

In English, we are debating whether or not to have school uniform and will be presenting arguments for and against. Maths is all about reviewing our learning before moving on. Art this week is about creating abstract patterns to music...fun! **REMINDER:** Please ensure your child brings in their reading book and record each day. We will be sending out leaflets for parents to help with their child's comprehension skills.

Year 6

This week Year 6 enjoyed using a green screen to create photos of themselves taking part in the Battle of Marathon in Ancient Greece! They have also been writing a diary entry based on the story of The Long Walk and have shown a great understanding of the story and the motivation of the characters. **REMINDER:** Please remember to read daily and record in your Reading Record. Also, please ensure that you bring the SATS revision books back into school when necessary.

Music

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

Instrumental lessons: Monday/Thursday – 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

Future Dates:

Thursday 19th March – Infant Music Festival, 1pm Freight House, Rochford (Year 2 Music Making) – **Tickets available from the school office.**

Tuesday 9th June – SEESMA Junior Music Festival, 7.30pm Cliffs Pavilion (KS2 Choir)

REMINDER – DEADLINE TO BOOK TICKETS FOR THIS EVENT IS MONDAY 18TH MARCH

French

This week Year 1 are learning about vegetables in French; Year 3 are describing the classroom, and Year 6 are learning about the smart house.

