



# Porters Grange Weekly

Friday 11th September 2020

## Sneak peek at our week

### Dates for the diary

#### OCTOBER

##### Friday 16th

Individual pupil photos

##### Tuesday 20th

Flu Immunisations

##### Monday 26th - Friday 30th

HALF TERM

#### NOVEMBER

##### Monday 2nd

INSET Day

##### Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December -

##### Monday 4th January

Christmas break

#### FEBRUARY

##### Friday 12th

INSET Day

##### Monday 15th - Friday 19th

Half term

#### MARCH

##### Monday 29th - Friday 9th April

Easter break

#### MAY

##### Monday 3rd

Bank Holiday

##### Friday 28th

INSET Day

##### Monday 31st

Bank Holiday

#### JUNE

##### Tuesday 1st - Friday 4th

Half term

#### JULY

##### Thursday 22nd - Tuesday 31st

##### August

Summer break

### Key Stage 1

#### Year 1

What a fabulous start to the year we have had in year one! The children have settled in brilliantly and have enjoyed getting to know their new learning environment. We have had some amazing models made from junk modelling in our creative area and some great construction play in our outside area with trains, airplanes and obstacle courses.

**REMINDER:** The children have brought home their reading books, please read with them as often as possible and write in their reading records.

#### Year 2

The children have come into school and settled well to new routines and a more formal approach to learning. This week we introduced our topic of explorers and inventors. We have started to explore place value and partition two digit numbers. In English, we have been revising sentence structure, composing our own sentences and ensuring letters are formed correctly.

**REMINDER:** Please ensure you read at home regularly with your child at least three times a week. Please ensure you send in a PE kit for your child as we are starting PE next week.

### Key Stage 2

#### Year 3

This week we have started our topic on The Stone Age and looked at cave paintings in Art. In English we have been writing all about ourselves and understanding that we are all different. In PSHE we have been learning how washing our hands and keeping ourselves clean is important.

**REMINDER:** The children need to bring their PE kits to School.

Starfish – Monday and Tuesday

Lobster – Monday and Thursday

Don't forget to read at home every night and bring your reading book into school every day.

#### Year 4

This week Year 4 have been working hard writing about themselves and thinking about their future in Orca and Porpoise class. They have settled in really well and have shown great attitudes towards all the changes within the school! We have started looking at our topic of the Anglo-Saxons by using the internet to find images and information.

**REMINDER:** PE kits should now be in school as we have PE on Mondays

## Dinner menu - Week 3

### Monday

- Roasted Tomato & Vegetable Cheesy Pasta
- Jacket Potato with choice of toppings
- Broccoli & Mixed Salad
- Caramelised Pineapple Sponge

### Tuesday

- Mild Jerk Chicken with Rice & Peas
- Pasta with choice of toppings
- Sweetcorn
- Apple Pie Cinnamon Roll

### Wednesday

- Roast Chicken served with Roasted Potatoes & Gravy
- Jacket Potato with choice of toppings
- Cauliflower & Peas
- Ice Cream with Fruit

### Thursday

- Chicken & Sweetcorn Meatballs in a Sweet & Sour sauce with noodles
- Pitta Pizza topped with Houmous & Roasted Vegetables
- Green Beans
- Chocolate Shortbread Biscuit

### Friday

- Fish Fingers with Homemade Tomato Ketchup & chips
- Jacket Potato with choice of toppings
- Baked Beans & Peas
- Lemon Drizzle Cake

and Thursdays. Reading records need to be brought in every day and the children should be reading at home as much as possible and writing this in their records, signed by an adult.

## Year 5

We have made a fantastic start in Year 5. The children have worked hard in all our lessons and worked well within the new rules. We are recapping Number in maths and have been unpicking Personification in English. Our topic this term is Space. Check out the activities on Seesaw from July – we would love to see any work they do.

**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

Well done Year 6 for a successful start to the term! This week we have been looking at the features of poetry and learning how to answer comprehension questions using a variety of strategies. We began our Crime and Punishment topic with a forensic science investigation. The children enjoyed investigating who had helped themselves to Mrs Dyos-Smith's drink by questioning suspects and analysing fingerprints and other evidence left at the crime scene.

**REMINDER** Please remember to have your PE kits in school for Wednesday and Friday. It is also essential that you read daily and record in your Reading Record Book.

## Music

### Class Lessons

I am very much looking forward to starting music lessons next week in years 1, 3 and 6.

For the time being I will visit each classroom with my trolley of instruments to deliver the lesson.

### Instrumental Tuition

I am currently working with our music tutors to enable a safe return to instrumental lessons in the week beginning 21<sup>st</sup> September. These lessons are either 1:1 with the tutor, or 2 pupils sharing the time. They will 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, violin, clarinet, flute, saxophone, drums.

Details of these lessons should have come to you via school ping.

Please contact me if you would like more information.

Mrs Baines.

## French

We look forward to starting French again with the children next week.

