



# Porters Grange Weekly

Friday 13th September 2019

## Sneak peek at our week

### Dates for the diary

#### OCTOBER

##### Wednesday 2nd

Harvest festival

##### Friday 25th

Individual photos

##### Monday 28th - Friday 1st

#### November

Half Term

#### NOVEMBER

##### Monday 4th

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

##### Monday 16th

Year 1 & 2 Christmas Concert

##### Tuesday 17th

Year 5 & 6 Christmas Concert

### Early Years

#### Nursery

It has been lovely to see all our returning children back and we have enjoyed welcoming our new friends. This week we have been making new friendships and settling into the Nursery routines.

**REMINDER:** Please ensure your child has a book bag and brings it every Monday. Thank you.

### Key Stage One

#### Year One

This week, they have been settling into their new classrooms and timetables. We have been working on carpet behaviour and how to play in their new environment. Over the week your child has been allocated a new reading book, record and tricky word book. Reading at school and home is extremely important for your child's progress. If you need any support on this please ask at the door at home time.

**REMINDER:** Please ensure your child brings their book bag with books every day. Thank you for all the P.E kits so far, please ensure you send one in as they will start P.E lessons very soon.

#### Year Two

This week, Year Two have been working extremely hard in all subjects and have been exploring the curriculum with great interest. In English, we have been looking at the story of 'Hansel and Gretel' and creating interesting sentences and character descriptions. In Geography, we have created our very own map of the classroom and exploring the purposes for maps as well as some key vocabulary.

**REMINDER:** Please ensure that P.E kits are always in school and that you are regularly reading with your child.

### Key Stage Two

#### Year Three

This week the children in Year Three have been working hard learning about the Stone Age within History and have investigated artefacts discussing what they have learned about the Stone Age from the items. In Science they went on a rock hunt around the school grounds and categorised rocks into natural and human-made rocks.

**REMINDER:** Please ensure P.E kits are in school as Year 3 have P.E on a Monday and please remember that the children start swimming lessons on Wednesday 18th September 2019.

## Dinner menu - Week 3

### Monday

- Cheese & tomato pizza with hand cut potato wedges
- Vegetarian sausages, with mashed potato in a Yorkshire pudding with gravy
- Pasta with tomato & basil sauce
- Carrot & sweetcorn
- Summer berry & apple crumble with custard

### Tuesday

- Slow cooked shredded British pork taco with coriander brown rice & apple coleslaw
- Balsamic caramelised red onion & cheddar cheese quiche with new potatoes
- Jacket potato with cheddar cheese or tuna mayonnaise
- Peas & cauliflower
- Orange & courgette sponge with custard

### Wednesday

- Farm assured British roast beef, Yorkshire pudding & traditional gravy with rosemary roast potatoes
- Chickpea & sweet potato falafel wrap with minted yoghurt slaw
- Wholemeal pasta with tomato & basil sauce
- Roasted seasonal root vegetables & broccoli
- Fruit flapjack

### Thursday

- Creamy British chicken & tarragon pie with mashed potato & gravy
- Spinach, mushroom & mozzarella lasagne with a garlic bread shard
- Jacket potato with cheddar cheese or tuna mayonnaise
- Carrots & green beans
- Traditional chocolate sponge & chocolate sauce

### Friday

- Fish fingers & chips with tartar sauce
- Creamy tagliatelle with creme fraiche & nut free pesto
- Pasta with tomato & basil sauce
- Baked beans & garden peas
- Raspberry ripple ice cream

Salad bar & freshly baked bread available daily

## Year Four

This week Year Four have been writing their own poetry in English lessons. They have started to learn about the Ancient Romans and are already enjoying their new topic. In Maths we have been counting in 100s and 25s and the children have learnt some new methods to recall times tables. **REMINDER: P.E kits should stay in school, we have P.E lessons Monday and Tuesday. Homework will start next week and will be given out on Wednesday and collected back in the following Wednesday. Reading records should be brought in every day and the children should be reading at home a few times a week and getting their parents to sign their record too.**

## Year Five

The children have made an excellent start to Year Five. This week we have been investigating biographies and have researched the lives of famous people associated with Space. In Maths we have been re-visiting number and learning how to read numbers up to a million. In Art we have been exploring the designers Zandra Rhodes, Vivienne Westwood and Iris Apfel. **REMINDER: Please remember to bring in P.E kits Sea Turtle – Monday and Wednesday Swordfish – Wednesday and Friday Please read at home at least three times a week. Your record book needs to be signed by an adult, and your reading record needs to be brought to school every day.**

## Year Six

Year Six have been working very hard on their initial assessments. We have also created some fabulous performance poetry which we shared with our partner class.

## 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.

### **Instrumental lessons are beginning as follows:**

Woodwind and keyboard Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September; Guitar Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September; Violin Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September.

**Instrumental lessons:** Monday – guitar; Wednesday woodwind and keyboard; Thursday – violin. Please make sure instruments are in school on these days.

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

## French

This week Year Two have enjoyed learning their first French expressions. Year Four are working on sentences with colours and Year Five are talking about rooms in the house, in French. Do challenge your children to tell you some words we have been learning.



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