

Porters Grange Weekly

Friday 6th December 2019

Sneak peek at our week

Dates for the diary

DECEMBER

Monday 9th

Year 1 & 2 Christingle Service 1.30

Wednesday 11th

Reception Christmas concert – 9.30am and 2.00pm

Year 5 & 6 Christingle Service 1.30

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

Year 3 & 4 Christingle Service 1.30

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 school

FEBRUARY

Friday 14th

INSET DAY

Monday 17th - Friday 21st

Half Term

MARCH

Thursday 12th

Reception Height, weight, vision & hearing checks

Early Years

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Nursery class have had a wonderful start to our Christmas activities. On Monday we all enjoyed our wonderful decoration day which was full of fun and lots of sparkle!!! Thank you to our parents/carers for attending. We have also been very busy practising our Christmas songs.

REMINDER: Please remember our Nursery performance is next Friday. Please can your child wear 'Christmas themed clothing on that day' The performance will be in Nursery class. Thank you

Reception

Thank you to the parents who came to the decoration afternoon; the children were very excited to have you there and enjoyed making different Christmas decorations.

We are continuing to practise for our Nativity performance; the children are doing a fantastic job singing all the songs and joining in with the actions.

REMINDER: Please join us for our Nativity performances on **Wednesday 11**th

December at **9:30am** and **2:00pm**.

On **Friday 13th** the children can wear Christmas jumpers (or something in Christmas colours) and enjoy a special Christmas dinner.

Key Stage 1

Year 1

We have been working hard practising for our Christmas performance. In class we have been learning to write the numbers 11-20 in words and using these numbers in songs and calculations. We have learnt about the five oceans and where they are in the world and continued to learn about the seven continents. Please return Book Buddies by 13^{th} December so we can get them ready to send out for new year.

REMINDER: Thank you for all of the festive clothing that you have sent in for the Christmas performance. If you would like your child to wear the same clothing for the performance and Christmas jumper day, your child can get changed at school.

Please join us for our Christingle Service at All Saints Church, Monday 9th December at 1.30.

Year 2

In Year 2 we have been busy rehearsing for our Christmas performance, learning all of our songs and our lines. In English we have been learning about the features of a 'recount' ready for our Christingle service on Monday 9th. In maths we have been learning about division, solving division problems and using the division symbol. We have started to explore how division links with multiplication.

REMINDER: Please remember to read each night.

Please keep practising the songs and lines for our Christmas concert!

Dinner menu - Week 3

Monday

- Vegetarian sausages with mashed potato & red onion gravy
- Pasta with tomato & basil sauce or cheese sauce
- Carrots & garden peas
- Marbled sponge with custard

Tuesday

- Chilli con carne & Mexican rice with a taco sail
- Baked sweet potato & spinach pasta in a mozzarella cheese sauce
- Jacket potato with cheddar cheese or tuna mayonnaise
- Cauliflower & green beans
- Ice cream

Wednesday

- British roast chicken, sage & onion stuffing & roast potatoes with traditional gravy
- Five bean enchilada casserole with roast potatoes
- Wholemeal pasta with vegetarian bolognese sauce
- Roasted seasonal root vegetables & broccoli
- Poached apple & pear crumble with custard

Thursday

- British beef burger in a bun with homemade tomato relish & hand cut potato wedges
- Vegetarian burger in a bun with homemade tomato relish & hand cut potato wedges
- Jacket potato with cheddar cheese or tuna mayonnaise
- Sweetcorn & BBQ coleslaw
- Carrot cake with custard

Friday

- Fish fingers & chips
- Pasta with tomato & basil cause
- Baked beans & garden peas
- Baked banana flapjack

Salad bar & freshly baked bread available daily

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Year 3

This week in English the children have continued to explore the text 'Penguin in peril' and have been creating their own versions of the story. In maths we have been reviewing times tables and have been looking at divisions as the inverse. REMINDER: Please remember to read each night and keep practising lines and songs at home ready for our Christmas concert.

Year 4

This week the children have carried on using the story 'The Day The Crayons Quit' to write engaging texts. We have a great understanding of food chains and have even looked at food webs.

REMINDER: Keep practising the songs for our Christmas Concert!

Year 5

This week the children have been writing their newspaper reports about Tim Peake and the International Space Station. In maths we have been learning different methods to complete division calculations. In science we conducted a very interesting experiment using plasticene to understand water resistance. REMINDER: Please keep practising the songs for our Christmas Concert and, if your child is an actor, please help them learn their lines.

Year 6

This week Year 6 enjoyed taking part in a FixUp workshop, 'I Am Amazing'! The workshop looked at issues such as the motivation to learn and succeed and really inspired the children to believe that they can achieve anything they want. Hopefully we will see the benefits of this workshop soon!

REMINDER: Please remember to practise your songs and lines for the Christmas production. Also, our Christmas decoration session for Year 6 parents is in the afternoon on Friday 13th December.

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

Upcoming events:

The choir will be carol singing in the Cliffs Pavilion Foyer on Tuesday 10th December at 12.00

A selected group of choir members will sing at the Maranatha Care home on Monday 16th December

French

This week Year 1 are learning colours, Year 3 are making sentences about the classroom, and Year 6 are coming to the final of their World Cup module.

