



# Porters Grange Weekly

Friday 13th November 2020

## Sneak peek at our week

### Dates for the diary

#### NOVEMBER

##### Friday 13th

Children in Need

#### DECEMBER

##### Monday 21st - Monday 4th

###### January

Christmas break

#### FEBRUARY

##### Friday 12th

INSET Day

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

Half term

##### Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>

INSET Day

#### MARCH

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

###### April

Easter break

#### MAY

##### Monday 3rd

Bank Holiday

##### Monday 31st

Bank Holiday

#### JUNE

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

Half term

##### Monday 7<sup>th</sup>

INSET Day

### Early Years

#### Nursery

This week in Nursery has been very busy. We have enjoyed finding out about 'poppy day'. We made our own poppies with playdough, collage and made a yummy biscuit. We have also enjoyed lots of painting and building models with the Sticklebricks.

REMINDER: Please remember to log onto Seesaw if you have not already. If you have mislaid your child's log in details please let us know and we can copy this again for you. Thank you

#### Reception

The children have really enjoyed using our outdoor Porters Grange Shop! They have been using acorns as money and exchanging them for things they want to buy. The children have been counting their acorns depending on the price of the item! Reception have remembered their 'social distance' while queuing in the line.

Reception have also been learning about the sounds 'p', 'i', 'n', 'm', 'd'. You could ask your child to spot one of these sounds in their environment or in a book that you have shared at home.

REMINDER: Please refer to the sticky label in your child's reading record book for helpful hints and tips about what to ask your child when reading. You can use these to help you know what to write in the comment box once you have heard your child read.

### Key Stage 1

#### Year 1

This week the children had their first computing lesson practising logging on and off of the computer. Leading on from our discussions last week the children designed a hairstyle and experimented mixing paints to create a new colour. We also changed for PE for the first time this week and some children needed support. It would help the children if they practised getting changed independently at home.

REMINDER Please make sure your child has a PE kit in school.

#### Year 2

This week Year 2 have been writing an explanation text on how to stay healthy. We have started a new chapter in Maths No problem as we are learning multiplication and division. We have been learning our 2, 5 and 10 times tables. We had lots of fun in science where we conducted an experiment to test our boats to find out which materials were waterproof.

REMINDER: Please ensure your child has a full PE kit in school. Our PE day is Tuesday. Please remember to read regularly with your child at least 3 times a week and sign their reading record.

## Dinner menu - Week 3

### Monday

- Roasted tomato & vegetable cheesy pasta
- Jackfruit katsu curry with rice
- Jacket potato with a choice of toppings
- Broccoli & mixed salad
- Caramelised pineapple sponge

### Tuesday

- Mild jerk chicken with rice & peas
- Vegetarian spicy special fried rice
- Pasta with a choice of toppings
- Sweetcorn
- Apple pie cinnamon roll

### Wednesday

- Roast chicken served with roasted potatoes & gravy
- Tofu & vegetable noodle stir fry
- Jacket potato with choice of toppings
- Cauliflower & peas
- Ice cream or fruit

### Thursday

- Chicken & sweetcorn meatballs in a sweet & sour sauce with noodles
- Pitta pizza topped with houmous & roasted vegetables
- Pasta with a choice of toppings
- Green beans
- Chocolate shortbread biscuit

### Friday

- Fish fingers with homemade tomato ketchup & chips
- Homemade crispy vegetable nuggets & chips
- Jacket potato with choice of toppings
- Baked beans & peas
- Lemon drizzle cake

Freshly baked bread available daily

## Key Stage 2

### Year 3

This week Year 3 have been busy writing recounts on their experience of flat bread making in English. In maths they have been focusing on subtraction. They have started investigating the tools and weapons which were used in the Stone Age in history. In French they have been learning how to introduce themselves.

**REMINDER:** Please ensure your child has a full PE kit in school. Our PE day days are Monday and Thursday.

Homework is set on SeeSaw every Tuesday and is due in the following Tuesday.

### Year 4

This week Year 4 have been writing their own version of the story 'Wolves'. They have created their own main characters and a surprise twist at the end. They have really enjoyed finding out about the author, Emily Gravett, and how she created her first book. In maths we have moved on to solving word problems.

**REMINDER** Please remember to bring a water bottle into school every day as the children cannot share cups or use the water fountain. Homework is set every Friday and is due in the following Friday.

### Year 5

In Year 5 this week, we have been using our persuasive writing skills to create leaflets to encourage people to leave Earth for life on another planet. In maths we have been practising our multiplication skills and in DT we have been looking at a moon buggy prototype, from which we will develop our own.

**REMINDER:** Please ensure that P.E. kits are back in school.

Continue reading at home regularly and practising times table facts.

### Year 6

This week in our science lessons, Year 6 have been learning about light sources and investigating how light travels. In English, the children have planned and written a balanced argument giving two points of view whilst ensuring that their writing flows by using cohesive devices.

**REMINDER** Please keep reading daily and record in your Reading Record. Also, remember to bring your PE kit into school on Wednesday and Friday.

## Music

### Class Lessons

This week in music, Year 2 have been playing rhythms on percussion instruments and signing to 'Hands, Feet, Heart'; Year 4 are learning the ukulele; Year 5 are doing some creative work based around Holst's Planet Suite.

### Instrumental Tuition

Woodwind and keyboard – Wednesday am

Drums – Wednesday pm

Violin Thursday am

Guitar Thursday pm

It is lovely to see pupils engaging in instrumental lessons.

These lessons are either 1:1 with the tutor, or 2 pupils sharing the time. They 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, guitar, violin, clarinet, flute, saxophone, drums.

## French

This week in French Year 3 and 6 are perfecting presentations about themselves, and Year 1 have had their first lesson on how to introduce themselves, which was really fun.

