



Porters Grange Weekly

Friday 16th April 2021

Sneak peek at our week

Dates for the diary

MAY

Monday 3rd

Bank Holiday

Monday 31st

Bank Holiday

JUNE

Tuesday 1st -Friday 4th

Half term

Monday 7th

INSET Day

Absence Procedure

If your child is absent for any reason, you should let us know by telephoning the school on 01702 468047 (option 1) on the morning of the first absent.

Please also keep us updated if the absence continues into the following day. If you have any concerns about your child's attendance, do not hesitate to contact Miss S Irvin, Attendance officer. Email

attendance@pgps.porticoacademytrust.co.uk

Early Years

Nursery

We have had a wonderful start to the summer term. We are very lucky to have some new friends joining us and Mrs Lander. This week we have been very busy settling back into our routines and have enjoyed lots of outside play and games and activities which promote sharing and turn taking.

REMINDER: Please remember to let us know either via seesaw or your home/school book about any exciting activities that have happened at home. Thank you.

Reception

What a wonderful week back in Reception! The children have really settled well this week. We have had some new friends join too. The children have made a ship outside as well as their own maps to show them where to find the treasure. The children were fascinated by a spider that they found. We looked through books about spiders and tried to identify the one that we found. It was just a common house spider! They drew their own spider and counted its legs. We made up sums to match the amount of legs to the spider; $4+4=8!$

REMINDER: Your child has been given a new reading book. Please check Seesaw to watch guidance about how to read with your child and what to write in the reading records.

Key Stage 1

Year 1

The children have had a great first week back after the Easter holidays. We have begun looking at our new story by looking at the front cover without the title talking about what we can see, making predictions on what the title might be and what the story will be about. In maths we have been looking at measuring and comparing lengths and heights. We particularly enjoyed measuring ourselves to find out who is the tallest and shortest.

REMINDER: We will be increasing our weekly reads to **Monday** and **Thursday** please make sure your child's reading book and record are in on these days. We also need PE kits in for **Monday**.

Year 2

This week we have been looking at the brilliant text "shh...we have a plan". The children have loved looking at the book and exploring humour through pictures and text. In maths we have been looking at place value. We are still enjoying the topic of dinosaurs and exploring the different time periods.

REMINDER: Reading books in every day, please. PE kits should be in school for this term. Shorts/ tracksuit and a white top.

Dinner menu - Week 2

Monday

- Cauliflower Macaroni & cheese with homemade garlic bread
- Tofu sweet & sour mixed vegetables with steamed rice
- Jacket potato with baked beans or cheese
- Green beans
- Coconut & Jam sponge with custard

Tuesday

- Beef & bean chilli con carne served with baked potato
- Vegan chilli con carne served with baked potato
- Pasta with spinach & onion sauce
- Sweetcorn
- Berry crumble slice

Wednesday

- Roast pork with roast potatoes & gravy
- Courgette, tomato & feta pasta bake
- Jacket potato with baked beans or cheese
- Roasted Butternut squash & Kale
- Orange & poppy seed sponge

Thursday

- Chicken & vegetable curry with steamed rice
- Lentil & vegetable lasagne with garlic bread
- Pasta with Tomato & Basil sauce
- Carrot & Cauliflower
- Cherry cookie

Friday

- Oven baked battered Fish with baked chips
- Roasted vegetable & chickpea wrap
- Jacket potato with Baked beans or cheese
- Baked Beans & garden peas
- Vanilla & sultana sponge with custard

Freshly baked bread available daily

Key Stage 2

Year 3

Year 3 have marched into their topic of the Romans by first exploring the classic legend of Romulus and Remus. Geography has seen them create their own passports as part of their exploration of modern Europe. Maths learning has been focussed on the operations of multiplication and division. To begin their investigations on plants in science, they have planted sunflower seeds - whose growth they will be tracking in the weeks to come. In art, children are practising their sketching skills in preparation for drawing their own self-portraits.

REMINDER: Children need to bring their own named water bottles to school each day. They should only have water in them.

Full P.E kits need to be in school for Monday and Thursday. Shorts/jogging bottoms, t-shirt and pumps/trainers.

Year 4

This week Year 4 have been very excited to be learning about the legend of Beowulf. We have been watching videos, reading versions of the story and delving deep into some great vocabulary. In maths we have been learning different ways to divide numbers.

REMINDER: Reading books in every day.

Water bottles in every day.

PE kit should be in already, even if it is a random t-shirt and joggers it will be fine for now.

Year 5

This week we have jumped straight back into our learning with enthusiasm, starting with our Brilliant Book, 'The Island'. We have been discussing the story and the illustrations and have taken a look at individual characters. In maths we have been studying timetables and recapping time, including the 24 hour clock.

REMINDER: Please continue to read every day and talk with your children about the books they are reading. This helps them with their understanding. Times tables also benefit from practise at home. **P.E. kits** should be back in school now. We have P.E. twice a week.

Year 6

This week Year 6 read a story 'The Long Walk' and have answered comprehension questions and created questions based on the story as well as preparing to produce some good quality writing based on it. In geography we began our exciting new topic 'Globalisation' with a fantastic trading game which revealed the potential successful business people in each class!

REMINDER: Please remember to read daily and record in your Reading Record. This should be brought into school each day. PE is on Wednesday and Friday and PE kits should be in school.

Music

This week Year 1 have enjoyed rhythm work using claves, Year 3 have revised their work on ukuleles and Year 5 are beginning a module on the Dr Who theme tune and the work of the BBC Radiophonic workshop.

'Live' instrumental lessons will resume next week. Any outstanding payments for these lessons are now due.

Thank you.

French

This week we start with the topic of Free Time with years 2 and 4, building on what was taught remotely over the lock down period, and in the same way with Year 6, we are reviewing the topic of weather and opinions.

