



Porters Grange Weekly

Friday 11th December 2020

Sneak peek at our week

Dates for the diary

DECEMBER

Thursday 17th
Last day of term

JANUARY

Monday 4th
Children return to school

FEBRUARY

Friday 12th
INSET Day
Monday 15th - Friday 19th
Half term
Monday 22nd
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 7th
INSET Day

Early Years

Nursery

We have started to think about Christmas in our play this week so lots of talk about 'Father Christmas'. We have enjoyed using the parachute in the classroom to play a range of games. Our construction play has also been amazing making lots of enclosures for the wild animals. [REMINDER: Please remember to log onto Seesaw and post any pictures or activities you do as a family. We love to see what you have been doing at home. Thank you](#)

Reception

The children have really enjoyed making Christmas wreaths and stockings with which to decorate the classroom. They have used various resources and made a few patterns. The children learned to make hoops to hang their Christmas decorations up! We have also read some stories about Christmas time like 'The Jolly Christmas Postman' and 'A Letter to Father Christmas'. Remember that the libraries are still open and you can borrow Christmas books from there if you'd like to get into the Christmas spirit! [REMINDER: Please upload pictures of your child and their family enjoying the Christmas period. We would love to see them!](#) Also, please remember to read with your child on a regular basis.

Key Stage 1

Year 1

This week we have been getting into the Christmas spirit with our very own elf from the North Pole to whom we have enjoyed writing messages asking questions and making things for him. Some of the children chose to write letters and lists for Santa. The children have done very well learning their verse from 'Twas the night before Christmas and look forward to when you get to see it.

Year 2

In Year 2 we have been working extremely hard. In English we have been looking at poetry and the features of acrostic poems. All the children have been focusing on their phonic screening tests. They have all tried their best and achieved well.

[Next week is the last week of school. As the weather is getting colder, we ask that the children have a track suit for PE.](#)

Dinner menu - Week 1

Monday

- Macaroni cheese with crispy ciabatta and herb crumb
- Roasted squash & basil risotto
- Jacket potato with a choice of toppings
- Carrots and green beans
- Chocolate and beetroot Sponge

Tuesday

- Chicken tikka masala with rice
- Chargrilled vegetable quesadilla with rice
- Pasta with a choice of toppings
- Lentil dhal & broccoli
- Courgette & orange cake

Wednesday

- Gammon with orange & herb glaze served with roasted potatoes & gravy
- Spiced Moroccan Chickpea Curry with lemon couscous
- Jacket potato with choice of toppings
- Green cabbage & carrots
- Ice cream or fruit

Thursday

- Beef burger in a bun
- Crispy chickpea burger in a bun
- Pasta with a choice of toppings
- Sweetcorn & coleslaw
- Apple & oat crumble

Freshly baked bread available daily

Key Stage 2

Year 3

This week, Year 3 have finished their tests which they have been working so hard on. In English, they have been starting to create their own calligraphic poems. Following their designs, Year 3 have been creating their own mini-shelters using natural materials in design & technology. In computing they have been exploring how to make stop-motion animations using iPads.

Year 4

This week Year 4 have finished their tests and should feel very proud of themselves for working so hard. In science, we learnt about food webs and how animals get their energy. We have completed the active advent which has been so much fun!

REMINDER: Keep reading at home and completing homework on seesaw.

Year 5

We did the last of our NFER tests in Year 5 this week and are now planning and writing a non-chronological report in English. In maths we are learning to unpick word problems and check the accuracy of our answers and in history we are looking at the Space Race.

REMINDER: Please continue to read at home and get those times tables into your memory banks, even as we head towards the Christmas holidays. In addition, please remember to send a water bottle in for your child, if you have not yet done so.

Year 6

This week Year 6 have been reading A Midsummer Night's Dream by William Shakespeare. The children have summarised the play in one paragraph and also written sonnets about one of the main characters. In DT the children have begun to build their burglar alarms and have enjoyed creating 3D models on a computer. **REMINDER:** Please remember to read daily and record in your Reading Record. PE kits must be in school on Wednesday and Friday. Thank you.

French

Year 1 have enjoyed a song and some activities about language basics two; Year 3 have enjoyed some fun body parts learning activities also involving a song, and Year 6 are making predictions about the weather.

