



*'Be safe, be kind.
Listen and think a lot.
Be your best!'*



The Perryfield Post

Magic and Sparkle!

The stage is up, glitter is out and Christmas is definitely on its way! With Covid-19 restrictions still in place, it is going to look a bit different.

Wednesday 9th December is our Christmas Lunch. This is usually when all 181 children have lunch in the hall together. This year however we will be having it in our year group bubbles. We wear our Christmas jumpers, Christmas hats, sing Christmas songs and pull Christmas crackers.

Wednesday 9th December is also our Christmas Jumper Day. This is when children and staff can wear a festive jumper to school. These do not have to be bought from the shop and could be decorated with tinsel and baubles.



Wednesday 16th December Father Christmas will be visiting the school with a little present for everyone, whilst maintaining the social distancing rules.

We will continue to do many of our Christmas activities in class including, homemade cards, calendars, panto and class Christmas parties.

The 'Reindeer Hunt'

Today all the children had an orienteering, map reading experience whilst hunting for a reindeer! The children have learnt several new geographical skills and increased their knowledge.



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Dates for your diary...

- 27th Nov—Active Outdoor Discovery—whole school orienteering/map work outside
- 3rd Dec—Flu Immunisation (details to follow)
- 8th Dec—Christmas plays being recorded
- 9th Dec—Christmas lunch at school
- 9th Dec—Christmas Jumper Day—wear a Christmas jumper to school
- 17th Dec—Last Day—School ends at 1pm—more details to come.
- 18th Dec—Non-Pupil Day/staff training — Christmas Holiday
- 4th Jan—Back To School
- 26th Jan—Parents Phonics and reading workshop (via Zoom, more details to follow)

Reminders

- ◆ Please remember to bring in your hamper donations on **Monday 30th November**
- ◆ FIPS—the deadline to order your Christmas tea-towels is **Monday 30th November**
- ◆ FIPS—Secret Santa presents online orders via the PTA events site by **Monday 30th November**
- ◆ If you have asked to bring in a Christmas Play costume, please remember to bring it into school/wear it to school on **Tuesday 8th December** when we are recording our plays.
- ◆ Flu Vaccinations—children will be having these at school on **3rd December**. Please complete the online form previously sent. If you are experiencing problems and would like a paper copy please call the office 01245 268714

NEXT FRIDAY, 4TH DECEMBER—work coming home

Normally, there would be several opportunities over the year for parents to see their children's work. Due to Covid-19 this has not been possible. By the end of the academic year all work books will be sent home. In the meantime, we will be sending home samples of work in their book bags for you to share with them. It is impressive how quickly the children are making progress with their learning and have adapted to these unusual times.

WEBSITE—the teachers have uploaded some recent photos onto their class pages. You can find them on the 'children' tab under 'classes'.

COMMUNICATION—Please note that teachers are happy to talk to parents at the end of the day once all the children have been seen out. As always, my door is always open and I am regularly available outside or on the phone.

Year 2 parents please make sure you have remembered to complete the on-line application into the Junior School.

The Big Question

Our Core Value for this half term is:

HONESTY

Honesty is such an important thing to learn from a young age. It helps children to become good citizens and honest grownups.

The Big Question this week is — **How do we feel when we are lied to?** Please can you discuss this in detail at home.



Job Vacancy

JOIN OUR TEAM

There is currently a vacancy at our 'Peardrops' after school club. Are you looking for a part time job that fits in with the school holidays? We are looking for another member of the team to work after school on Mondays and Fridays 3-6pm.

If you would like to find out more about this post, please phone the school to speak to me or the office team. An application form can be collected from the office.

Last Day of Term— staggered pick up times

As previously communicated the last day of term is **Thursday 17th December** at 1pm after lunch. Due to Covid-19 there will be staggered pick up times.

All Year 2 children at 1:00pm

All Year 1 children at 1:05pm

All Foundation Stage children at 1:15pm

There will be no Peardrops after school club.

Our reading competition

Last half term, Diamond Class were the winners of our reading competition and were given some high quality reading resources and a special treat.

Each week the staff look at the children's reading diaries and count up how many times each child has read at home and these get turned into reading points.

The reading scores are extremely close this time:

Topaz Class = 563 points

Emerald Class = 563 points

Ruby Class = 571 points

Pearl Class = 624 points

Diamond Class = 667 points

Sapphire Class = 667 points

WHO IS GOING TO WIN! Help your child to win the prize by reading as much as possible at home before and during the holidays.