







9th December 2022













# From the Headteacher's Office...

Today was the final Celebration Café of this term – thank you to the children in Year 4 and our Year 4 team for all the work they have put in to making today a success. We have loved welcoming back parents and carers to school and hope that you have enjoyed sharing in the children's learning and having the opportunity to learn more about how to support your children at home. We will be continuing our Celebration Cafes next term and more information on this will follow.

Two of our year groups have enjoyed visits this week – Year 2 enjoyed a performance of the Snowman at the New Theatre on Tuesday and then Year 1 had an amazing visit to Burghley House on Wednesday. The feedback from staff for both visits was that they were incredibly proud of all the children whose behaviour was exemplorary at both venues with every child following our RPS way. Well done Year 1 and 2 – we are really proud of you!

We know that there are lots of illnesses around at the moment, including colds and flu and you may have seen on the news reports of cases of Strep A. A letter was sent to parents regarding this earlier this week, but there is also more information in this newsletter. The key advice is to continue to wash hands regularly and to use tissues to 'catch it, kill it, bin it'. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Mrs Bowyer (Headteacher)





# Dates for your diary

# Lunches

The menu for the rest of term has been changed slightly and there will only be two hot options available each day.

The updated menu will be on the noticeboard from Monday.

# Reception 2023

If you have a child born between 1st September 2018 & 31st August 2019 you need to apply for their primary school place before 15th January 2023. Please use this link to make your application with Peterborough City Council.

Primary school admissions - September 2023 - Peterborough City Council

If you would like to look around the EYFS area, please email the office to arrange an appointment.

Look out for information in the New Year about the Spring Term Celebration Cafes.

# **December**

Christmas dinner & jumper day – Thursday 15th
December

EYFS Nativity – Friday 16th December @1.30

Last day of term –
Wednesday 21st December
SCHOOL CLOSES AT 1:30PM

There are lots of respiratory illnesses around at the moment, including Covid and Flu. It is important that we continue to look out for each other by using tissues and washing our hands regularly.

You will also have seen on the news and in social media that there has been a rise in Strep A infections – and about some tragic deaths from a very rare form of the infection.

# What is Strep A?

Group A streptococcus (GAS) is a very common bacteria. Some people won't know they have it, but it can cause mild and some serious infections. The most serious is invasive group A Strep or iGAS.

# How is it spread?

By close contact with someone who is infected and by **coughs**, **sneezes** or through cuts or wounds.



### What should I look out for?

It's always worrying if a child is unwell. GAS infections cause symptoms such as sore throat, chills and muscle aches. Ift can also cause Scarlet Fever.

Early symptoms of scarlet fever can include a sore throat, headache, fever, nausea and vomited. After 12-48 hours a red, pinhead rash develops often on the chest and stomach and then spreading. The skill will feel like sandpaper. It can also cause flushed cheeks and a 'strawberry tongue' with white spots on the red tongue. If you think your child has scarlet fever, you should contact your doctor. If your child had scarlet fever, they should stay at home for at least 24 hours after they have started to take antibiotics, to avoid spreading the infection to other children

Most infections will be mild and while unpleasant, they are very rarely serious. If you feel you child is seriously unwell, you should trust your own judgement.

# Contact NHS111 or your GP if:

- Your child is getting worse
- Your child is feeding or eating much less than normal
- Your child is dehydrated (a dry nappy for 12 hours or more, dark, strong smelling pee, feeling thirsty but not going to the toilet as often or feeling busy
- Has a temperature of 39C or more
- Your child is tired or irritable

# Call 999 or go to A&E if:

- Your child is having difficulty breathing you may notice grunting noises or their tummy sucking under their ribs.
- There are pauses when you child breathes
- Your child's skill, tongue or lips are blue
- Your child is floppy and will not wake up or stay awake.

For more information go to: <a href="https://www.cambslearntogether.co.uk/asset-library/221206-JL-Group-A-Strep.pdf">https://www.cambslearntogether.co.uk/asset-library/221206-JL-Group-A-Strep.pdf</a>







# Stone Age Assembly

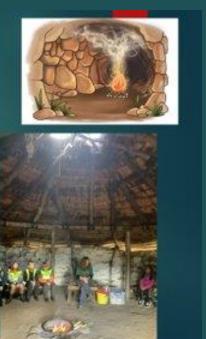






Year 4 performed their assembly today based around their knowledge of the Stone Age. They sang a song (with actions) and showed a good understanding of what they have learnt this term. Children also spoke about their visit to Flag Fen in Peterborough. Well done Eastern and Western Ospreys!







The children read out their Nonchronological reports they had worked hard on in class. These included fabulous facts about Stone Age houses, tools and the Hunter Gatherers.

















Year One had an exciting day out at Burghley House on Wednesday, learning all about life in Victorian times. We explored the Victorian kitchen, played some games and tried out some of the jobs Victorian servants would have done in the big house.









# Our HPL Stars of Week

Snowy Owls:

Barn Owls:

Red Kites: Aurora

Yellowbill Kites: Micah

Goshawks: Fares

Sparrowhawks: Edward

Merlin Falcons: Khadeeja

Peregrine Falcons: Hussain

Spotted Kestrels: Damian

Golden Kestrels: Dexter

Western Ospreys: All of the Western Ospreys for rehearsing their assembly.

Eastern Ospreys: All of the Eastern Ospreys for rehearsing their assembly.

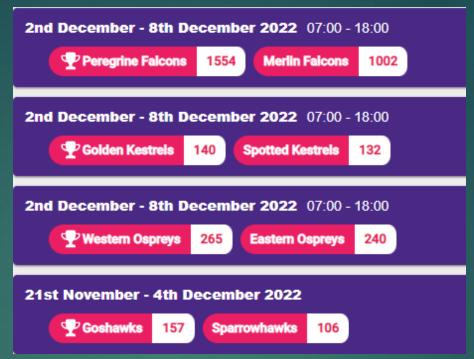
Sea Eagles:Daniels

Martial Eagles:Callum

Congratulations to this week's Practice Champions. Our Practice Parrot makes sure that he really knows his times tables by practising them at home again and again. He is always on Times Table Rockstars trying to beat his best score. He knows that by practising over and over, his brain will make new and stronger links that will help him remember things in the future.









Across Key Stage 2, we hold weekly 'battles' on Times Tables Rockstars.
Here are this week's winners – congratulations!

In other, very exciting news,
Ravensthorpe Primary are moving up the
leader board against all the other
school's in Peterborough. Our
challenge, for next week, is to break into
the top 20!



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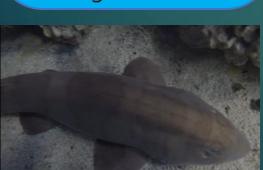
# PERSONAL BEST

Achievements and success inside AND outside of school.

### **Reminder**

Don't forget to email your child's personal bests into the office so we can celebrate them with you office@rps.pkat.co.uk

Well done to Jacob in year 4, who scored 100% on his elearning test to become a shark ranger. He was then able to get into the shark pool with 6 sharks, in his wet suit and with his scuba gear on.







Natalia has achieved her orange belt with a green stripe in karate. Well done!





# Various Cleaning Positions Required

Easy Clean currently have an exciting opportunity for a cleaning position at Ravensthorpe, to join our already established cleaning team.

- Hours of work Monday to Friday, 3:00 5:00 overtime available
- £9.85-£10.25 hourly pay rate

The successful candidate will work with Easy Clean to provide a great environment for children, staff and visitors by being friendly and approachable, taking pride in their work and maintaining the cleanliness of the site.

We will provide full training if you have not worked within the industry before, ideally, we are looking for someone who:

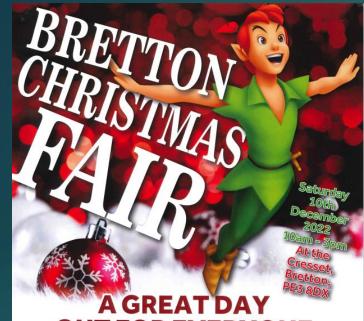
- Has high standards in all areas of their work
- Be flexible in your approach to working
- Be self-motivated, trustworthy and proactive
- Work effectively and supportively as a member of the team and have confidence and ability to act -on your own initiative, dealing with unexpected problems that may arise
- Have a positive outlook and good work ethic, taking pride in your work
- Have good communication skills

For more information, please contact Head office - 01733 244935 or email your CV to kelly@easyclean-contractors.co.uk

A member of the team will be happy to assist you with the application and questions.

We are committed to employment practices and behaviours which encourage diversity, promote equality of treatment and eliminate unlawful and or unfair discrimination.

We reserve the right to close this vacancy once we have received sufficient applications. If you have not been contacted within two weeks of the posting date, please assume that your application has not been successful and will not be progressed to the next stage.



OUT FOR EVERYONE

Music, Craft Stalls, Father Christmas, Carol Singing, Hot Food and Drinks, Children's Activities and Lots of Entertainment.

For more details about how to get involved email: thebrettonproject@outlook.com #forthecommunitybythecommunity













# Barnardo's Winter Holiday Club





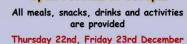




Come and Join for an amazing

Winter of Fun at Play House £22 full day

or £3 per hour (up to 6 hours) Open 7.30am to 5.30pm



Tuesday 3rd, Wednesday 4th January Book hours to suit we accept bookings for 1 hour right up to the full day.

For more information or to book a place





contact us on 01733 471187 or jaime.handley@barnardos.org.uk









Telephone: 01733 571187 rachel.blakemore@barnard os.org.uk



PRE-SCHOOL & OUT OF SCHOOL CLUB

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## Barnardo's Winter HAF scheme











Winter of Fun at Play House Free Places Available





All meals, snacks, drinks and activities are provided

Thursday 22nd, Friday 23rd December Tuesday 3rd, Wednesday 4th January 11am to 3pm





For more information and to check if your child is eligible for a free place please contact us on the details below.







Telephone: 01733 571187 rachel.blakemore@barnard os.org.uk











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# Skate into Christmas at Ferry Meadows 25 November - 2 January

Enjoy the magic of Christmas at Nene Park!

- \* Outdoor Ice Rink \* Mini Christmas Market
- ※ Vintage Fun Fair 
  ※ Festive Crafts & Activities
- \* Christmas Shopping at the Gift & Farm Shop

Free car Parking for skaters!

This winter, the heart of Ferry Meadows will be transformed with an eco-friendly open-air ice rink, mini Christmas market, vintage fun fair and Christmas craft activities. Visit the Ferry Meadows Gift & Farm Shop for Christmas treats and gift ideas from our premium local suppliers.

Open from 4pm-8pm weekdays, and from 10am-8pm weekends and school holidays, our skating sessions start from just £6 each.

Festive fun for all the family, with all proceeds going straight back to maintaining our beautiful Park for all the community to enjoy!





Find out more and book your tickets at www.nenepark.org.uk/christmas Ferry Meadows, Peterborough PE2 5UU









# Christmas School Holiday Club

held at Ravensthorpe Primary school

# open to all school aged children from 7.45am to 6pm

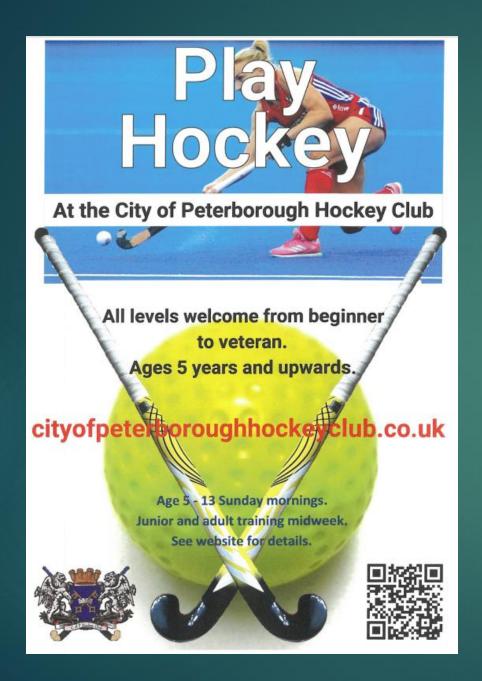
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December – Santa's Workshop Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December – Christmas Wonderland Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> December – Bake & Decorate Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> December – Stripes vs Spots Friday 30<sup>th</sup> December – Winter Festival Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December – New Year, New Goals

Each day is themed with lots of activities



£23 per child per day

Price includes all activities, Breakfast, Lunch, Tea and snacks
For more information or to book
email tanya@littletigersnursery.co.uk or
telephone 01733 330630







# **Parking**

If you drive to school to drop off or collect your child, please make sure you park legally and safely. Do not block paths, roads or our neighbour's driveways.

Thank you

# Forgotten items

If you bring a water bottle, lunch box, coat etc to the school office for your child after 8:45am we will no longer be able to take these items to classrooms.

Children will come to the office to collect their belongings at breaktime. Due to this change, please ensure forgotten items are brought to the office before 10:30am or your child will not get them.

Thank you



Happy Birthday from everyone at Ravensthorpe!

# **Medicine in school**



Due to health and safety, cough sweets are no longer allowed in school, as they are a choking hazard.

In line with our policy, we are able to administer prescribed medicines, Piriton, Paracetamol (Calpol) and Ibuprofen in school. Parents/Carers **MUST** complete a consent form which can be found under the 'Useful Links' tab on the website. It is the responsibility of the child to come to the office at agreed times for medication.





It has been fantastic to see the children looking so smart in their uniforms at the start of term. Thank you to all of our families for your ongoing support School Uniform

Year 6 uniform





Please note: earrings **cannot** be worn on PE days. If children are wearing earrings they will be asked to remove them. (We will not be responsible for any loss.) Small stud earrings may be worn on non PE days.

In Years 1-6, the PE uniform should be worn on:

Year 1: Monday and Tuesday

Year 2: Tuesday and Friday

Year 3: Thursday and Friday

Year 4: Wednesday (swimming) and Friday

Year 5: Monday and Wednesday

Year 6: Tuesday and Thursday