



November Newsletter 22.11.24

Message from Mrs. Ward

hello!

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our new-look school newsletter! We hope this will help you stay informed and connected with all the exciting activities happening at our school.

As winter takes hold, we look back on what has been a busy and exciting few weeks here at Ravensthorpe. From frosty mornings to festive preparations, our school community has been buzzing with activity and enthusiasm. We came together as a school to reflect on Remembrance day and I'm very proud to share with you that our two-minute silence was observed with great respect and maturity.

We also had our fundraising event for Children in Need, a big thank you to everyone who contributed, your generosity is greatly appreciated.

The countdown to Christmas has begun, and we have lots of festive activities planned! From 'Wear Something Festive' day to our Winter Fair, we're looking forward to spreading cheer throughout the school.

Thank you for your continued support.

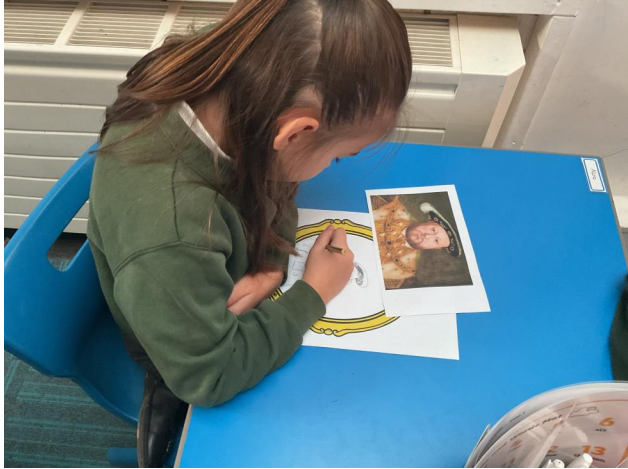
Warm regards,

Mrs Ward

Year 2 Tudor Day

Tudor day in Year 2 started with drawing portraits of the monarchs followed by making pinch pots in the afternoon. The children learnt about the differences between rich and poor and sampled a homemade vegetable pottage and gingered bread with mixed reactions!









Remembrance Day

This month, our students are engaging in Remembrance work, learning about the history and significance of this important event. We held a special assembly to honour those who have served, fostering understanding and respect among our pupils. There have been many different activities taking place across the school including poppy inspired artwork and poetry. Each class also took part in creating a Remembrance Day display for their classroom





Children in Need

Last week, we had a fantastic time supporting Children in Need through a range of exciting activities. Our theme this year was dots. We were inspired by the Japanese artist Yayoi Kusama, who is famous for her colourful and dotty artwork. The children explored her style through a story and videos of her exhibitions around the globe. Every child received a coloured sticker, which they were asked to place randomly on a blank canvas. The talented Miss Bloodworth is now transforming this into a stunning piece of artwork that represents both our school and Peterborough. We also had a lot of fun with our Sweets in the Jar competition, as well as our annual Pudsey colouring competition. Well done to Aleks, Dave, Megija and Cleo, who were our KS1 and KS2 winners. Thank you to everyone who contributed and helped us support this important cause!



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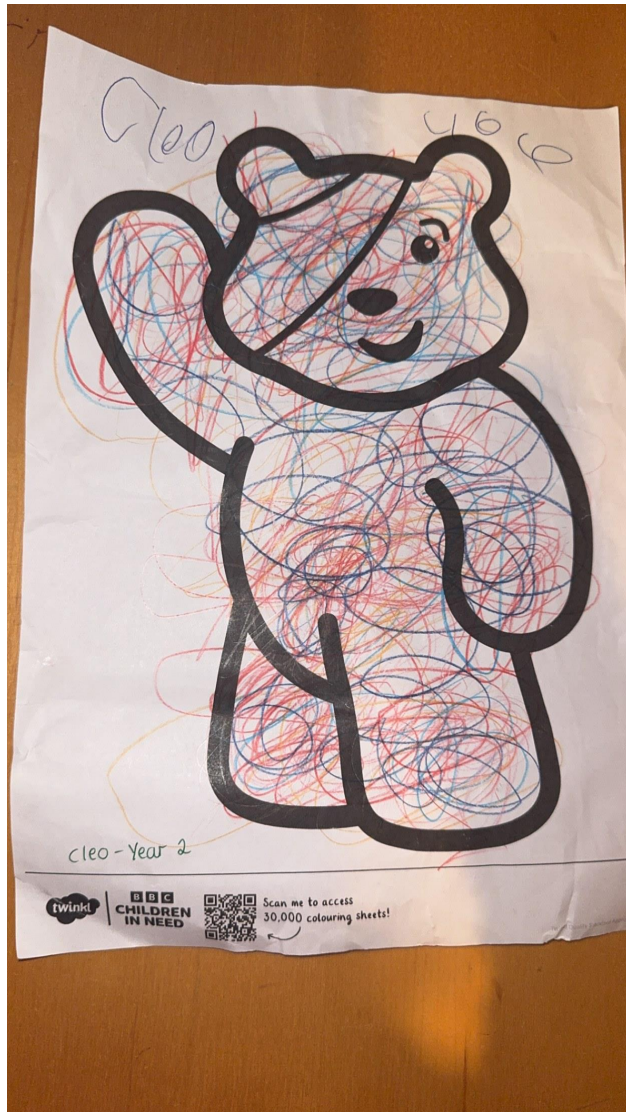


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Notices

Participating in Switch Off Fortnight

Our school is excited to join the Switch Off Fortnight initiative, encouraging energy conservation. Students will learn about sustainable practices and how small actions can make a big impact on our environment.

Parent Survey

Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to complete the parent survey. Your feedback is invaluable in helping us improve and cater to our community's needs. If you have not yet completed the survey, please click the link below. All feedback is gratefully received. [Parent Survey](#)

Winter Weather Alert

As the weather turns colder, we remind you to send your children to school with a warm coat. Staying warm is essential for their comfort and focus during the school day. Please ensure all coats, along with gloves, hats, scarves etc are labelled with your child's name.

Parking at School

The car park at the front of school is very small. We have had feedback that people are using the disabled spaces when they do not have a disability. Please can these spaces be left available for parents with vehicles displaying a disabled badge. We would also like to remind parents that they should not be using the main school park as this is for the use of staff only. Parking is available along Wollaston Road and other side streets, please remember to be considerate towards residents when parking.

Contacting School

Should you need to contact the school, the email address is parents@rps.pkat.co.uk. The office and phone lines are open Monday-Friday (term time only) 8:30am-3:30pm.

Homework - EYFS / KS1

Back in September, EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 were all issued homework folders. Please ensure you **send the folder in with your child every Thursday**, this allows class teachers to see the work your child has completed and set new work. The folder will then be returned to you every Friday.

School Lunches

Please can we ask all parents to ensure your child's/children's lunch accounts stay in credit. We need lunch payments daily or weekly in advance.

Clubs

The last week for after school clubs is the week beginning 9th December. Clubs for next term will be available to sign up for on ParentPay before Christmas, there will also be some taster sessions for clubs the first week back in January. More information will be sent out before the end of term.

Festive Fun



The festive season is just around the corner, and we're excited to share our plans for some festive fun at school! . Let's make this season merry and bright for all. Here's a look at what's coming up:

Thursday 12th December - Wear Something Festive Day

- Christmas Dinner

- Festive Disco - EYFS/KS1/Y3 - 3:15pm-4:15pm,

- Y4/5/6 - 4:30pm-5:30pm

Monday 16th December - EYFS/Year 1 Nativity 9:30am-10:30am & 2pm-3pm

Wednesday 18th December - Carols on the Courtyard 2pm-3pm

- Winter Fair 3:30pm-4:30pm

- **Festive Disco - Thursday 12th December**

Tickets are now on sale on ParentPay for the Festive Disco for £3.50, this includes a drink, party games and a festive biscuit.

Ticket sales close on Monday 2nd December, no tickets will be available after this date

As this is the same day as 'Wear Something Festive', EYFS/KS1/Year 3 will already be in their own clothes so will not need to bring a change of clothes for the disco.

EYFS, Year 1, 2 & 3 will be taken straight to the disco by their class teacher at the end of school, they will then need collecting at 4:15pm.

Year 4, 5 & 6 will need to be collected/leave school at the end of the day as normal and then return for the disco at 4:30pm, they will then need collecting at 5:30pm, as it will be dark, **all children will need collecting**, you will not be able to give permission for your child to walk home alone.

- **'Wear Something Festive' - Thursday 12th December**

In return for children coming to school wearing something festive alongside non-uniform, we are asking for donations for our Winter Fair.

Any items can be donated in the colour allocated to your child's year group :

Reception/Year 1 = Red

Year 2 = Orange

Year 3 = Yellow

Year 4 = Green

Year 5 = Blue

Year 6 = Purple

- **Christmas Dinner - Thursday 12th December**

Blue - Turkey Crown, Pigs in blankets

Yellow - Quorn Roast, Quorn sausage

Both served with roast potatoes, mash potatoes,

Yorkshire pudding and a selection of vegetables

Dessert - Christmas Tree Brownie, Santa Hat Brownie, Mince Pie, Christmas Biscuit, Christmas Cupcake or Ice Cream Pot

There will be no green option on this day.

All dietary requirements will be catered for.

There will be no charge for children in receipt of free school meals.

- **Carols in the Community Garden - Wednesday 18th December 2pm**

Families are welcome to join the whole school for Carols in the Community Garden from 2pm.

Parents will need to enter and leave through the Community Garden gates.

- **Winter fair - Wednesday 18th December 3:30pm**

Following on from the Carols in the Community Garden, will be our Winter Fair. After the carols, children will return to their classrooms where you can collect them as normal, we would then like to invite all children and their families to come along and enjoy the many stalls and games on offer along with some tasty festive refreshments.



Festive Disco

Thursday 12th December

EYFS/Y1/Y2/Y3: 3:15pm-4:15pm

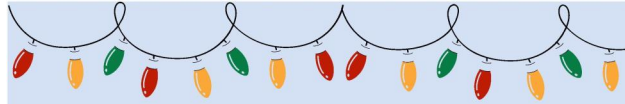
Y4/Y5/Y6: 4:30pm-5:30pm

Tickets £3.50

includes a drink, festive party games
and decorate a festive biscuit

**Ticket sales will close on Monday 2nd
December, no tickets will be available
after this date.**





Thursday 12th December 'Wear Something Festive'

Children are invited to come into school wearing non-uniform along with something festive, such as a Christmas jumper, a Christmas hat, Christmas headband etc.

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Looking Ahead

Friday 29th November - EYFS/Year 1 Parent Café 2pm-3pm

Monday 2nd December - Young Voices Movie Night 4pm (after choir) More details to follow

Wednesday 4th December - Year 3 Parent Café 2:30pm-3pm

Thursday 5th December - Year 2 Parent Café 1:30pm-2:30pm

Thursday 5th December - Tuesday 10th December - Book fair

Week beginning 9th December - Last week of after school clubs

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- Christmas Dinner

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- Y4/5/6 - 4:30pm-5:30pm

- Year 5 Parent Cafe

Friday 13th December - Children's Flu Vaccination Catch-Up Clinic 12:30pm

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Wednesday 18th December - Carols on the Courtyard 2pm-3pm

- Winter Fair 3:30pm-4:30pm

Thursday 19th December - Last day of term 1:15pm finish

Friday 20th December - Training day - School closed to children