### **Portfields Post**

This week we welcomed the EYFS families into school to start their scrapbooking and to see all the fantastic learning that has been taking place. We also welcomed families in for our first parent showcase. We finished the week with a non-uniform day today to help collect prizes for our Christmas fayre. Thank you for all your kind donations.

Tomorrow, some of our lovely children are performing at Newport Pagnell Christmas Lights Switch On. I can't wait to see it. If you are going to the switch on, make sure you pop by say hello.

Mrs Folkard.

#### **Notices**

# **Assembly**

In this week's assembly we learned all about road safety and how to follow the Green Cross Code. We practised crossing the road and following these 5 key steps:

- 1. Find a safe place to cross
- 2. Stop just before you get to the kerb
- 3. Look all around for traffic and listen
- 4. If traffic is coming, let it pass
- 5. When it is safe, go straight across the road do not run, keep looking and listening while you cross.

We'd love it if you could take a few minutes to discuss these with your child next time you are out and about.

#### Maps

We are looking to expand our collection of different types of maps for the children to use in geography. If you have any unused maps at home, particularly of Newport Pagnell and the surrounding area, and would be willing to donate them to our school, please hand them in to your child's class teacher.

### **Chartwells Update**

Please see the School webpage, under lunch menus, for an update from our hot meal providers.

## **Maisies - School Uniform Provider**

We have been advised that Maisies will not be opening on Wednesdays for this term. They will be reviewing their opening hours during Spring 2024 and provide us with a further update then.

Their opening hours for the Christmas period will be:

Open Saturday 23rd December - 9am until 5pm

Closed from Sunday 24th December to Monday 1st January 2024

Open Tuesday 2nd January - 9am until 5pm

#### **School Job Vacancies**

Please do visit our <u>school website</u> to see the exciting staff vacancies we currently have. We look forward to receiving your applications.

### **Sportfields Update**

Last night, the year five and six football team played three matches, winning two and drawing one.

On Wednesday, the tag rugby team played five matches and won two, drew two and lost one.

Well done to all the children involved.

### **Portfields Star**

If your child has been awarded Portfields Star and you would like to check which child has been awarded it, please contact the school office by phone or email to find out.

#### **Dates**

### New dates in red

#### **This Month (November)**

Sat - 25.11.23 - Newport Pagnell Lights Switch On (Christmas Dancers Performing)

Mon - 27.11.23 - Crocodile Forest School Day

Tue - 28.11.23 - Iguana Forest School Day

Wed - 29.11.23 - Gecko Forest School Day

Thu - 30.11.23 - Chameleon Forest School Day

# **Next Month (December)**

Mon - 4.12.23 - Y3/4 Football Friendly @ Home (Performance)

Tue - 5.12.23 - Y3/4 @ 5pm-6pm - Phonics Workshop (Invites to be sent)

Tue - 5.12.23 - Y5/6 @6pm - 7pm - Phonics Workshop (Invites to be sent)

Wed - 6.12.23 - Rocksteady Concert - 9:45 - 10:15 & 13:45 - 14:15

Fri - 8.12.23 Christmas Jumper Day

Fri - 8.12.23 Christmas Fayre (TBC)

Mon - 11.12.23 - Y5/6 Football Friendly (Development)

Wed - 13.12.23 - Christmas Dinner Day

Wed - 13.12.23 - Year 6 Christmas Cracked

Wed - 13.12.23 - EYFS Dress Rehearsal (To KS2)

Thu - 14.12.23 - EYFS Nativity - 9:15

Fri - 15.12.23 - EYFS Nativity - 2pm

Mon - 18.12.23 - Music Concert (Lessons)

Mon - 18.12.23 - Y5 CO Crew

Tue - 19.12.23 - Y5 CO Crew

Tue - 19.12.23 - Disco (EY,1,3,4,6)

Wed - 20.12.23 - Whole School Carol Concert

Thu - 21.12.23 - Disco (Y2 & 5)

Fri - 22.12.23 - Last Day

# **Celebrations**

# **Portfields Stars**

Oak - Olivia

Chestnut - Sophie-Rose

Elm - Freddie

Starfish - Reuben

Shark - Leo

Seahorse - Betsy

Frog - Hijab

Salamander - Rory

Toad - Katie

Newt - Levi

Gecko - Dorothy

Crocodile - Emie

Chameleon - James

Iguana - Ralph

Stegosaurus - Natalia

Velociraptor - Hayden

Triceratops - Emily

Kingfisher - Sophia

Swift - Reuben

Owl - Luca

Heron - Eadee

Dolphin - Casper

Rhino - Kerys

Meerkat - Summer Jaguar - Ivy