

## **Portfields Post**

A fantastic week as always in school this week, with lots of amazing learning happening across the school. Year 5 learned all about CO from their visitor from Hazard Alley, Year 2 were making art from different fruit and vegetables and Year 3 were busy retelling stories about a man who had his teeth stolen!

Next week, we have the Young Voices concert at the O2 arena in London which the children are very excited about. It's a wonderful experience and I'm happy we're able to take so many children with us.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Folkard.

## **Notices**

### **NumBots - EYFS / KS1**

Building on the success of Times Tables Rockstars in KS2, we're delighted to inform you about an online learning platform called NumBots that we're going to begin using to support your child's understanding of number bonds and to help their addition and subtraction skills. These are the essential building blocks for higher-level maths concepts, so we are excited by the impact that NumBots will have on your child's learning.

Your child will have had a username and password stuck into their reading record book and teachers will be introducing the system to the children in school next week.

For more information, please see this [short video](#) or check out the [NumBots](#) section of our school website.

## **Sports Events**

As a school we are proud of the number of sports events we are able to attend (we're on 3 already since we've come back from Christmas) and the number of children who are given the opportunity to represent the school competitively. We are able to do this because of our hard-working team volunteering their time.

We have had a number of incidents of parents speaking to staff in a way which is not acceptable. Please can we remind all parents of our school [BRIDGE values](#). Should you wish to raise any concerns about sporting events, please direct them to Mr Dixon who will happily discuss these with you.

### Year 3 Swimming

Please ensure children are bringing a separate bag to store their wet clothes in after swimming.

### Fully Funded Support Course

Fully Funded (FREE) NCFE | CACHE Courses available in levels 1 & 2 with fully funded progressions available for 3 level - starting on 27th January.

Please see the attached flyer.

### Woodrow Parent Meeting

On Monday 27th January, we are holding a meeting for parents of children attending the Year 4 Woodrow trip. This will be an opportunity for us to share some of the activities, talk about logistics and for you to ask any questions you might have. Please complete the ParentMail form which has been sent out today confirming your attendance.

### Sportfields Round Up

This week our Y5/6 boys football team played a friendly match against X, our Y3/4 boys team started their league fixtures, winning 2 and narrowly losing the 3rd and we took part in a Y5/6 mixed dodgeball friendly against Stanton School, which was great fun. A huge well done to everyone who represented the school this week.

### Dates

#### New dates in red

#### Dates (Spring 1)

Mon - 20.1.25 - Young Voices Concert

Tue - 21.1.25 - CO Crew (Frog AM, Newt PM)

Wed - 22.1.25 - CO Crew (Toad PM)

Mon - 27.1.25 - Woodrow Parent Meeting (6:15pm)

Thu - 30.1.25 - Y5 Viking Day Workshop

**Fri - 31.1.25 - Newt & Frog Forest School Day**

**Mon - 3.2.25 - Toad Forest School**

Mon - 3.2.25 - Learning Journal Session - Oak Class - 2pm - 3pm (Lagonda Hall)

Tue - 4.2.25 - Learning Journal Session - Chestnut Class - 2pm - 3pm (Lagonda Hall)

Tue - 4.2.25 - Y3 Stone & Iron Age Workshop

Tue - 4.2.25 - No Swimming (Y3 Workshop)

Wed - 5.2.25 - Learning Journal Session - Elm Class - 2pm - 3pm (Lagonda Hall)

Wed - 5.2.25 - Parent Showcase Y1-6 (2:30 - 4pm) - History / Geography

Thu - 6.2.25 - Y6 Forest School Day (Dolphin & Jaguar)

Fri - 7.2.25 - Y6 Forest School Day (Meerkat & Rhino)

Wed - 12.2.25 - Y4 Woodrow Trip

Tue - 11.2.25 - Safer Internet Day

Wed - 12.2.25 - Y6 Ousedale Music Session (An introduction to music at Ousedale) -  
10am - 10:30am

Fri - 14.2.25 - EYFS Fairytale Ball

Fri - 14.2.25 - Last Day of Half Term

### **Celebration**

#### **House Point Totals**

1st - Green = 1254

2nd - Orange = 1121

3rd - Green = 1178

#### **Star of The Week**

##### **First Assembly**

Shark - George

Seahorse - Ralph

Toad - Nojus

Frog - Tajus

Chameleon - Poppy

Crocodile - Xavier

Stegosaurus - Teddie

Brachiosaurus - Eloise

Owl - Oz

Heron - Harrison

Dolphin - Dylan

Meerkat - Tess

##### **Second Assembly**

Elm - Aron

Chestnut - Florence

Oak - Jaden Josiah

Starfish - Max

Newt - Reuben

Iguana - Hijba

Gecko - Astrid

Triceratops - Amelia  
Velociraptor - Freddie  
Kingfisher - Aayush  
Swift - Oliver  
Rhino - Jasmine  
Jaguar - Luca