

# Petersgate News

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2020

3rd  
December

## Reminders~December

Monday 7th~Christmas Lunch order deadline

## Christmas Cards

Children can bring their Christmas cards to school ~ please ensure they only post cards for their own year group bubble



On Friday 11th December, children can come to school in non uniform and wear a Christmas Jumper, if your child does not have a Christmas Jumper, they can wear anything 'Christmassy'!

Please ensure Social distancing is maintained at all times and all adults wear a mask when on the school premises—thank you

School Uniform—for your information  
Skoolkit in Havant have now reopened their shop

# Mathematics at Petersgate

Hello everyone,

My name is Sallie Ankers and I am the Mathematics lead. At Petersgate, we strive to give all the children a positive experience of Mathematics from Early Years through to Year 2. We want children to enjoy their learning and be resilient to tackle new challenges, understanding that making mistakes *is really* part of learning.

We have been...



Practising careful counting and matching digits to amounts

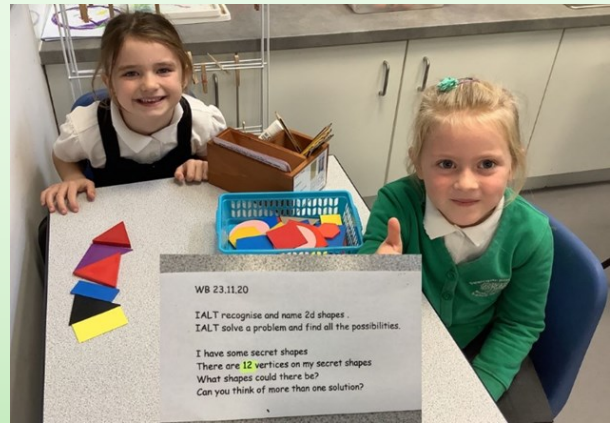


We believe children learn best through a 'Hands On' experience. All our learning begins practically with the children moving onto pictorial and finally written once they are confident and feel ready to do so.

Learning is taken from where the children are and adapted to meet the needs of all children across the school.

Creating a repeating pattern

Recognizing and naming shapes. We also created shape pictures using 2D shapes



Solving practical shape problems

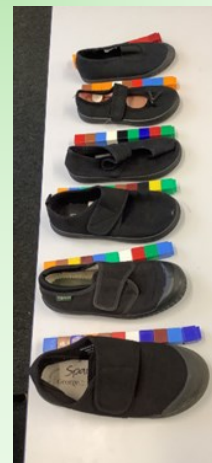
Recognizing coins and their value



Finding out how many 1 pence pieces were needed to make various amounts



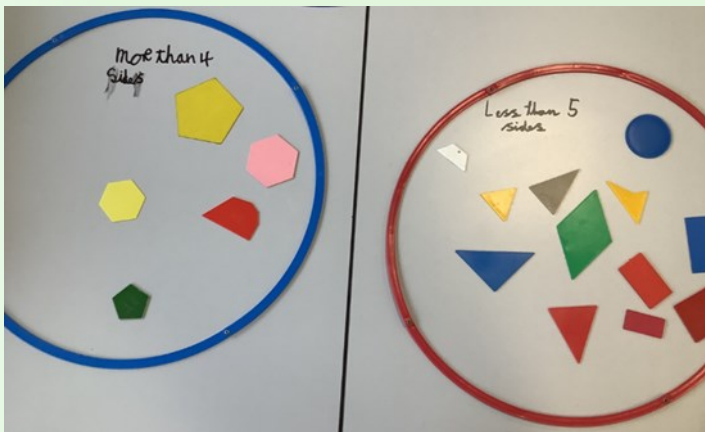
Investigating which plimsoll belonged to Little Bear using non-standard measure



Exploring how many different ways to make 5 pence?



Sorting shapes into a Venn Diagram using properties of our own choice



Using a Part, Part Whole model to find all the number bonds of 10

Recognizing and matching shapes by their properties



Adding two amounts of money together

Sorting two digit numbers into Odd and Even, understanding the second digit is the decider



## Non Uniform and Wear a Christmas Jumper On Friday 11th December

On Friday 11th December, children can come to school in non uniform and wear a Christmas Jumper, if your child does not have a Christmas Jumper, they can wear anything 'Christmassy'!

Please note that the children will still be going out to play and doing the usual school things so please do not send them in their best clothes. There is no cost involved so you do not need to send in any donations. Thank you.

### Christmas Jumper Day



## Christmas Card Post Box



This year, we will have Christmas Card Posting Boxes in each year group bubble. Please could we ask that your child only sends Christmas cards to their friends and teachers in their own year group bubble.

Children are welcome to bring their Christmas cards into class and post them. The cards will be sorted and delivered by our elves to each class. Class lists have been posted on Tapestry / Seesaw.

Please ensure the envelopes are clearly marked with:  
first name, initial of surname and class



The last day for posting cards will be on Wednesday 16th December.

## Harold the Happy Healthy Giraffe—November

- S** safety
- C** caring
- A** achievement
- R** resilience
- F** friendship

Harold is the school mascot for our **SCARF** values, which are linked to the Personal, Social, Health and Education (PSHE) curriculum.

Congratulations to everyone who earned Harold by consistently showing the 'Caring' value through November. Well done!



## Christmas Lunch—Friday 18th December

A form has been sent via ParentMail to enable you to order a Christmas Lunch. Children can choose a Christmas Party Snack Box or bring a packed lunch in from home on Friday 18th December. Children will enjoy this in their classrooms.

If you would like your child to have a Christmas Party Snack Box, please choose a red or green option or if you are going to provide a home packed lunch on this day please choose this option.

The online order form is to be completed by all children by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December at the latest. Thank you.

The options are:

**Pizza Bites / Sausage Roll**  
**Turkey in a Roll / Vegetable Sticks**  
**(Red)**

or

**Pizza Bites / Vegan Sausage Roll**  
**Cheese in a Roll / Vegetable Sticks**  
**(Green)**



**Rice Krispie Cake**  
**(shaped like a Christmas Pudding) or Fruit Wedges**

If you have any queries please contact the school office by email or telephone.

## Schools Out—Friday 18th December

On the last day of term, Friday 18th December, the school will close early for the Christmas holidays. Children will have their Christmas Lunch in class before they go home.

Collection times will be staggered for each year group:

**Year 2 — 12.30pm**  
**Year 1 — 12.40pm**  
**Early Years — 12.50pm**

Please note there will be NO Sea Urchins After School Club.

## Attendance—November

<b>Clownfish</b>	<b>98.9%</b>
Jellyfish	97.7%
Starfish	96.5%
Manta Ray	98.1%
Octopus	97.8%
Turtle	97.2%
Lobster	97.4%
Seahorse	97.8%
Whale	97.0%

Well done  
to  
**Clownfish Class**

## Weather

Should we have to close the school due to adverse weather conditions over the next few months this is how we will inform parents.

We will send a text message via ParentMail. Please make sure that you can receive all ParentMail texts and emails. Always make sure that your details are up to date.

Please check the Hampshire County Council website for the latest school closures.

<http://www3.hants.gov.uk/education/schools/schoolclosures.htm>

Please also listen to any of the following radio stations:-

**Radio Solent, Ocean FM, Wave 105 and the Quay**

Please know that our primary concern is for the safety and wellbeing of everyone, which I am sure you will agree, is first and foremost when any decision needs to be made.

## Petersgate Community Celebrations

We would like to extend our celebrations from school achievements to our 'Petersgate Family' achievements. We would like to write your achievements in our weekly newsletter to share with other families and friends.

Perhaps you or your child has taken part in an event, has recently achieved something outside of school or helped in the community. We would love to hear all about it!

If you would like to share something with us then please email your stories to [adminoffice@petersgate-inf.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@petersgate-inf.hants.sch.uk) with details of all that you have achieved or taken part in. If you have any photos then we would like to add these too. We look forward to hearing your stories and celebrate with the Petersgate Family.

## Apply for a School Place—September 2021

Do you have a child who was born between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017 or will your child be moving up to Year 3? You can apply for a place for Early Years and Year 3 online at [hants.gov.uk/admissions](https://hants.gov.uk/admissions) for September 2021.

**The closing date for applying is Friday 15th January 2021.**

**New Early Years**—Due to the current situation and with social distancing we are unable to undertake tours. Please see our website for a virtual tour using this link [www.petersgateinfantschool.co.uk/](http://www.petersgateinfantschool.co.uk/).

If you would like to speak to a member of the Admissions Team, please contact Hampshire County Council on 0300 555 1317.

## Year 2—Clanfield Junior School Virtual Tours

You may be considering which Junior School your child will move on to next September 2021. Clanfield Junior School have a virtual tour and this can be found on their website in the Video Resource Centre—

[www.clanfieldjunior.primarysite.media/media/virtual-tour-2020](http://www.clanfieldjunior.primarysite.media/media/virtual-tour-2020).

You can also book a ten-minute telephone conversation with Miss Staggs, headteacher by using the following link

[www.schoolinterviews.co.uk/code?code=c3eg5](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.uk/code?code=c3eg5).





## Christmas Hamper Raffle

Thank you so much for all your wonderful donations, we really appreciate all your support! All the hampers look fantastic!!

Raffle tickets have been sent home today, please check your child's book bag for these. Each ticket is 50p in books of 5 for £2.50. Each ticket will have a tick box option, so you can choose which hamper you would like to win, it is one option per ticket. Please ensure you complete the tickets fully!

If you would like to buy the raffle tickets, please could your child bring in the completed tickets and the money in a named envelope marked '**PoPS Christmas Raffle**' and hand to their class teacher by **Wednesday 16th December** which is the last chance to buy tickets.

If you would like to buy extra tickets, please email the school office at [adminoffice@petersgate-inf.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@petersgate-inf.hants.sch.uk) and they will arrange for more tickets to be sent home.

We will be drawing the raffle on **Thursday 17th December at 12 noon!**



## Years 1 & 2— Christmas Present Shopping

We are asking for donations of suitable gifts for adults, please bring these in to be given to your child's class teacher by **Monday 7th December**.

Ideas of gifts could be toiletries, sweets, pocket games, socks, novelties, candles, trinkets etc!

On **Monday 7th December** we are asking your child to bring in a suggested donation of up to £2.00 in a named envelope marked **'PoPS Christmas Present Shopping'** to give to their class teacher.

On **Friday 11th December** Years 1 & 2 children will have their Christmas Shopping Day where they can choose up to two gifts. The children will then be able to wrap their gifts and bring them home.

**Early Years—**

## **Magic Reindeer Food Making**



On **Monday 7th December** we are asking your child to bring in a suggested donation of £1.00 in a named envelope marked **'PoPS Reindeer Food'** to give to their class teacher.

On **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December**, Early Years children will be making reindeer food with bird seed, oats and lots of glitter to bring home ready for Christmas Eve!

## **Father Christmas**

Unfortunately, the Santa Grotto we normally do is unable to go ahead this year due to Covid restrictions! However, we are excited to share our alternative plans!



On **Thursday 17th December**, Father Christmas will visit the school walking around the outside and the children can wave through their classroom window!

Father Christmas will then leave a sack of gifts at each classroom door.

We know it may seem like we are asking for a lot of money and donations, but all the money we raise will pay for music, gardening, cooking and extra equipment for your child to enjoy in school.

All of the PoPS team really appreciate your support!

Thank you so much!!

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PoPS (Petersgate Infant School)





**Clownfish—Stationery**



**Jellyfish—Toys**



**Starfish—Big Night In**



**Manta Ray—Christmas**



**Octopus—Gardening**



**Turtle—Pets**



**Lobster—Cooking/Baking**



**Seahorse—Beauty**



**Whale—Beverages**



# Christmas Opening Times



**Please find below important information with regards to Christmas opening times/ordering deadlines:**

**Parents Direct Delivery to Home Service\*** – Order by Monday 7th December for delivery before 31st December, Orders received after this date will be delivered week commencing 11th January 2021.

**Christmas Closure** – Brigade will be closed from midday Thursday 24th December until Monday 4th January 2021.

We thank you for your continued custom throughout this difficult year and wish you a safe and Merry Christmas.

*Merry Christmas from all at Brigade!*