

Padnell Post



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13th November 2020. Autumn Term No 7



Remembrance Day

At 11am on 11.11.20 all our children and staff stopped to reflect on those injured or lost in wars. Even though very young, we still feel it is important for them to have some knowledge of these significant events in history. We will remember them.



Wear it Pink Day

Thank you for supporting our Wear it Pink day today. We're sure Hannah's Holiday homes will greatly appreciate your donations.

Children in Year 2 enjoyed an online presentation by Councillor Prad Bains. Councillor Bains became the 47th, and the youngest, Mayor of Havant in July 2020. As a former pupil of both Padnell Infants and Juniors this is also a cause close to his heart.



INSET Day

Don't forget school will be closed to children on Monday as we have an INSET day.



Covid Updates

Please can we ask that you use the official channel of emailing the school (admin@padnell-inf.hants.sch.uk), with any Covid/absence updates, and not the children's learning platforms (Seesaw & Tapestry).



Home Learning

Our Role - As local cases of Covid-19 increase, we as a school are providing more online and personalised home learning provision to children who are at home self-isolating. We are also ready with emergency planning and systems in place to interact with your child if and when a year group bubble closes.



Your Role –

- to ensure you can access Tapestry (year R parents) or Seesaw (year 1 and 2 parents).
- Support your child with completing their work every day and return it for feedback and the next steps.

It is important that during these difficult times we work together to ensure that your child keeps learning and motivated during these difficult time. Any problems please email the school now so that these can be address before the emergency arises. Thank you.

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Social Distancing

With the introduction of masks, it seems that everyone has got a bit more lax with social distancing, especially at the end of the day. Please ensure you are keeping our community safe by keeping your 2m distance when exiting the school grounds. All children should also walk out with their adult and not run ahead. Thank you.



Parents Evening Questionnaire

As promised before half term, we are asking for your feedback on the recent parents' evenings held on zoom. A number of informal feedback comments were received stating how positive these were but is this the whole picture? Please complete the online questionnaire (link below), it is only 4 questions and should take just a few minutes. Thank you.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScNG1-nCpuxGhvPNHUwEpn2DxcARrxL0p-OgNa3j1mD0fEIQg/viewform?usp=sf_link



Christmas Dinner

As you can see from the attached letter, the children will have a Christmas lunch on Wednesday 16th December. Please email us by Friday 4th December if your child would like a green option, or to bring a packed lunch. If we don't receive an email your child will be ordered a red lunch.



Governors

Our Governors continue to meet virtually to ensure the school remains compliant and to support the school during these challenging times. Our thanks to Mrs Hall for joining as a Parent Governor ensuring your views are represented. This term most monitoring visits have been virtual too but we are hopeful that later on in the year we will be able to welcome all governors back into school to share evidence first hand.



Be Bright Be Seen

Over the last week, the children have been reminded how important it is to keep themselves safe as the early evenings draw in. Our thanks to Cowplain Funeralcare for the donation of the badges which can be worn as a reflector either on a coat or their school book bag.



Worried about your child's weight? Concerned about their eating habits?

Lockdown seems to have added to concerns about children being overweight. This is always a delicate issue to raise with parents but if you feel you need some non-judgmental advice either from Jo Foster our home link worker or the school nurses, do please contact the school office.

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Christmas Fundraising



Thank you so much for all your orders of Christmas Cards, Mugs, Tea Towels and other products. We had a fantastic response and have raised £380 for the school.



Lip Balm

We know the weather has changed, but a reminder that lip balm is not allowed in school.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Mandy Grayson
Headteacher

GROW



Giving Citizen
Resilient Learner
Original thinker
Wise Worker

Diary Dates

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Who</u>	<u>Details</u>
Monday 16 th November	INSET Day	Whole School	School closed to children
Tuesday 17 th November	Year 2 Titanic Dress Up day	Year 2	
Friday 4 th December	Deadline to change Christmas Dinner option	Whole School	If your child would like a green lunch option, or a packed lunch instead of the read Christmas dinner, please email us by 4 th Dec.
Tuesday 8 th December	Year R Christmas Shopping Day	Year R	
Wednesday 9 th December	Year 1 Christmas Shopping Day	Year 1	
Thursday 10 th December	Year 2 Christmas Shopping Day	Year 2	
Friday 11 th December	Christmas Wrapping	All Years	
Wednesday 16 th December	Christmas Jumper day	Whole School	In aide of Abby's Heroes
Wednesday 16 th December	Christmas Dinner	Whole School	
Thursday 17 th December	Santa Visit		
Friday 18 th December	Last Day of Term		
Monday 21 st to Friday 31 st December	School Closed	Christmas Holiday	
Monday 4 th January	Return to school		