



## PCJS NEWSLETTER

## SPRING TERM - 16TH JANUARY 2026

**Thought for the Week:** "When you practice gratefulness, there is a sense of respect toward others." - Dalai Lama

**Music for the Week:** "Mazurka no.24" by Chopin

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have enjoyed their first full week back at school and Miss Scott's class in particular had a brilliant time at Murton Park on Tuesday.

Next week, we look forward to our parents' evenings and a letter was emailed home on Friday 9th January. Please make your appointment as soon as possible as slots can run out quickly. Appointments can be booked until 5 minutes to midnight on **Monday 19th January**. We would strongly recommend arriving slightly earlier than your appointment time so that you have time to look through your child's work. We look forward to seeing you then.

### Curriculum

We are justifiably proud of our broad and balanced curriculum and we always try to make our lessons as effective and engaging as possible whilst fulfilling the requirements of the National Curriculum. Please find attached the curriculum newsletters for Year 3/4 and Year 5/6. Here you will find all the information about what your child will be learning during the Spring term. Please do not hesitate to get in contact if you have any queries or if you are able to support with any of our themes or subjects.

### Cookery and Forest School

On Wednesday, it is the turn of **Mrs Hall and Mrs Wortham's** class for Cookery and Forest School. Your child will have already received a letter detailing what they need. All children will require appropriate Forest School clothing that can get dirty, including a coat and wellies.

### Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair will be here from **20th—23rd January** and will be open at break times and during both parents' evenings. Card payment is preferred but children will be able to bring cash into school to purchase books at break times.

### Murton Park

This week, Miss Scott's class had an exciting trip to Murton Park marking a fantastic start to their new theme 'Emperors and Empires'. The children spent the day as soldiers as part of the Roman army where they explored, discovered and learned a wide range of new skills and facts all of which they are looking forward to bringing back into the classroom. A huge thank you to the staff and parent volunteers who supported the trip. It will be the turn of Mrs Devine's and Mrs Metcalf and Mrs Morris' classes on **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January**.



## TTRockstars

Congratulations to all the children who took part in the recent inter class TTRockstars battle. The battle was won by Mrs Hall and Mrs Wortham's class, with Mrs Mintoft's class in runner up position.

Individual congratulations to the following children who scored the most points in their respective classes:

Mrs Devine:	Lillie Plowman
Mrs Metcalf and Mrs Morris:	Harry Welford
Miss Scott:	Erin McKenzie
Mrs Hall and Mrs Wortham:	Archie Reed
Mrs Mintoft:	Huw Smith
Miss Holmes and Mrs Wilkinson:	Evan Challiss

Remember to continue to practising your times tables at home in readiness for the next battle!

## House Point Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have received their bronze award: Maisie Cook, Rose Paxton, Lilly Knight, Alfie Harland, Henry Goode, Evie Cooper, Willow Allanson, Ellie Chilcott and Noah Hebblethwaite.

Congratulations to the following children who have received their silver award: William Cawthorne, Pippa Mitchell, Catherine Howe, Evie McAfee, Sienna Lawrence, Amelia Lumley-Senior and Matilda Greenwood.

## After-School Clubs

After-school clubs and Year 6 boosters will start week beginning **Monday 26th January** and the deadline for returning the form is today. Club places will be confirmed via text message next week.

We currently don't have enough interest in golf club for it to go ahead. If you would like your child to attend golf club, please let us know by **Monday 19th January** at the latest. Thank you.

## Year 3 Music

On **Monday 19th January**, it will be the turn of **Mrs Devine's** maths group to have their music lesson. Please remind your child to bring their instrument to school.

## Swimming

**Miss Scott's Class** continue their swimming lessons on **Wednesday 21st January**. Please remind your child to bring their swimming kit to school.

## Dinner Money

Please regularly check your ParentPay account ensuring that there is no dinner money or after-school club debt on your child's account. Dinner money accounts should always be in credit or have a zero balance. Thank you.

## Special Mention

Well done to all our pupils who are taking part in the Kirk Theatre's production of 'Snow White'. We hope that all the performances go well. We are all very proud of you.

Have a great weekend!



Mrs M De Barr  
Headteacher

*Your support for your child's education is crucial to their progress in school. Please let us know if there are any adjustments we need to make to help you to support your child, for example: letters in different languages; wheelchair access; explaining things over the phone*

***"Safeguarding is Everybody's Responsibility"***

*Are you worried about your own or  
another child's safety?*

Speak to one of these members of staff.

**The Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is:**

**Mrs De Barr**

**The Deputy DSLs are: Mrs Hall and Mrs Mintoft**

**The Safeguarding Governor is: Mrs Smeaton**

**Anyone can make a referral.** If you believe a child to be at immediate risk, please call **999**. If you believe the situation to be urgent, please call:

**0300 131 2 131**

	<b>Menu</b>
<b>Monday</b>	(V) Pizza (VG) Veggie Sausage (VG) Potato Wedges (V) Egg Mayo Sandwich (VG) Baked Bean Jacket Potato (V) Chocolate Brownie
<b>Tuesday</b>	Spaghetti Bolognese (VG) Veg Burrito with Rice Tuna Sandwich (V) Cheese Jacket Potato (V) Cheese & Biscuit
<b>Wednesday</b>	Roast Chicken & Yorkshire Pudding (VG) Shepherds Pie (VG) Mashed Potatoes (V) Cheese Sandwich Tuna Jacket Potato (V) Rice Pudding & Jam
<b>Thursday</b>	Pork Meatballs in a Tomato Sauce with Rice (V) Veg Carbonara Ham Sandwich (VG) Baked Bean Jacket Potato (V) Rhubarb Crumble Sponge & Custard
<b>Friday</b>	Fish Fingers (V) Veggie Bite Sub (VG) Chips Tuna Sandwich (V) Cheese Jacket Potato (V) Fruit Muffin
	Available Every Day Seasonal Vegetables & Sides Bread Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt