

Pegswood Primary School News

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Friday 10th
November

Forest School

Forest School on Monday will be with Years 1 and 4. Please can you make sure that children come to school in uniform, but bring with them appropriate clothes to change into, to go into forest school, including a change of appropriate footwear. They may get wet and muddy. If they have a pair of wellingtons and a waterproof coat and/or trousers, please bring those as well.

Parents/Carers Evening

This will be during the coming week. In future, we will look to trial a new booking system as we appreciate not everyone can make it into school to book an appointment. We will be asking different classes to test-run the new online system before the end of the term. We hope that the new system in Google Forms will be quick, efficient and easy to use.

Children in Need

This annual event is on Friday 17th November this year. Children can come to school dressed in non-uniform and instead of asking for a donation this year, children will be coming home with a sponsor form, as they (and staff!) will be taking part in the Pudsey Bearpee Challenge, doing 5 minutes of exercise a day. If the weather is good on Friday, the whole school aims to do the 5 minutes all together on the playground. If all sponsor money could be returned by Monday 20th November. Even the smallest amount of sponsorship money can make a collective difference.



Early Years Open Evening

We will be holding an Early Years Open Evening on Wednesday 22nd November for all new parents of children starting in Nursery or Reception in September 2024. Early Years staff will be around between 3.30 pm – 5.00 pm to talk to you and show you around our new Early Years environment. A lot of work has gone into the environment in the last six months and we are incredibly proud of it now. If you know anyone with children, not at our school, but with children of this age, please nudge them to come along.



BBC 500 words

Children in Years 5 and 6 have been busy over the last few weeks in English, compiling stories for the BBC's 500-word story competition. All children have completed them and those who wished to, submitted them online this week. Well done to everyone.



Non-uniform Day

We are asking children to come to school dressed in non-uniform on Friday 1st December, but instead of asking for a monetary donation, we will be asking for children to bring in a chocolate donation. This will go towards our chocolate tombola at the Christmas Fair. Thank you.

Christmas Fair

The Christmas Fair will take place on Wednesday 6th December between 5.00 pm – 7.00 pm in school. Put it in the diary now as there will be special visitors on the night!!

Christmas Workshops

As we did last year, we will be holding a series of Christmas workshops, which will allow you the opportunity to come into school and work with your child on a Christmas-themed masterpiece. See below for the dates and times of different classes.



Christmas Performances

These will be held during the week beginning Monday 11th December. Please see below for the dates and times for each class.

Usborne Book Sales

There will be an Usborne book sale on Monday 4th December in the main hall after school. This will be an opportunity to buy books at a reduced cost and this year we have the added excitement that there will be an author working in school that afternoon who will be signing books that have been bought at the sale.

Year 2 Story Session

There are still a few places remaining for the Year 2 story session for parents and carers on Thursday 23rd November at 2.40 pm. Sign up via the Class Dojo link

Year 4 Poetry Club

Year 4 poetry club will run for a further 3 weeks on 16th, 23rd & 30th November from 3:20 until 4:30. Juice and biscuits will be provided.

Christmas Watercolour Workshop

Mrs Sligo will be holding her second Saturday workshop on Saturday 2nd December. More details to follow next week, with information about how to sign up.



Poppies

We have tried yet again, albeit unsuccessfully, to have poppies in school to sell to the children in aid of the Royal British Legion. Unfortunately, even though we made contact with the Royal British Legion in good time to request them, we have not succeeded. We have been promised that there will be some delivered next year – fingers crossed. We did hold our remembrance assembly this afternoon.



Diary Dates

Week Beginning 13 th November	
Monday 13 th November	Forest School – Year 1 and Year 4 Reception, Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6 Parents Evening 3.30 pm – 6.30 pm
Tuesday 14 th November	Y1 Parents Evening 3.30 pm – 4.30 pm
Wednesday 15 th November	Reception, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6 Parents Evening 3.30 pm – 4.30 pm
Thursday 16 th November	Y1 Parents Evening 3.30 pm – 6.30 pm
Friday 17 th November	Children in Need
Week Beginning 20 th November	
Monday 20 th November	Forest School – Year 2 and Year 5
Thursday 23 rd November	Year 2 Story Time (2.40 pm – 3.20 pm)
Week Beginning 27 th November	
Monday 27 th November	Forest School – Year 6
Friday 1 st December	Non-Uniform – chocolate donation
Saturday 2 nd December	Mrs Sligo's Christmas Watercolour Workshop (2.30 pm – 4.30 pm)
Week Beginning 4 th December	
Monday 4 th December	Forest School – Year 1
	Author Visit for Key Stage 2
	Usborne Book Sale (3.20 pm – main hall)
Tuesday 5 th December	Early Years Christmas Workshop (1.30 pm)
Wednesday 6 th December	Christmas Fair (5.00 pm – 7.00 pm)
Thursday 7 th December	National Christmas Jumper Day (no donation)
	Key Stage 2 Christmas Workshop (1.30 pm)
Friday 8 th December	Key Stage 1 Christmas Workshop (1.30 pm)



Week Beginning 11th December

Tuesday 12 th December	Early Years Christmas Performance (9.15 am - Nursery Parents)
	Key Stage 1 Christmas Performance (1.45 pm Year 1 Parents and Year 2 Parents) Parents choose either Tuesday or Thursday performance.
Wednesday 13 th December	Early Years Christmas Performance (9.15 am - Reception Parents)
	Key Stage 2 Christmas Performance (1.45 pm Year 3 Parents and Year 4 Parents)
Thursday 14 th December	Key Stage 1 Christmas Performance (9.15 am Year 1 Parents and Year 2 Parents) Parents choose either Tuesday or Thursday performance.
	Key Stage 2 Christmas Performance (1.45 pm Year 5 Parents and Year 6 Parents)

Week Beginning 18th December

Tuesday 19 th December	Early Years Christmas Party (pm)
Wednesday 20 th December	Christmas Dinner
	Year 3 and 4 Christmas Party (pm)
Thursday 21 st December	Year 1 and 2 Christmas Party (pm)
	Year 5 and 6 Christmas Party (pm)
Friday 22 nd December	School closes for Christmas holidays (3.20 pm)

Week Beginning 8th January 2024

Monday 8 th January	School closed – Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 9 th January	School opens for spring term

