

# Newsletter 26<sup>th</sup> October 2018

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Breaking the rules day has most definitely been a highlight of term 1. I have never had so many shocks in one day! Children have thoroughly enjoyed leaving weird and wonderful objects on my chair, telling me they have spotted rats on our playground and leaving me a delightful lunch of toothpaste-filled wrap! As we all know, children learn best when they are happy and enjoying themselves and this has been very apparent today. Thank you to Sinead Cope for organising such a fantastic fundraising day and to all the children and staff for getting so involved! I am much looking forward to term 2 and all the exciting plans we have! Until then, I hope you all have an enjoyable holiday week.

With warmest wishes,  
Sophie Westerwijk

### What are our children saying?

I asked some of our children what their magic learning moment had been in term 1:

- Simran in Windmill:** I am proud of my concentration and writing.
- Sam in Windmill:** Playing with my friends and my toys outside.
- Noah in Sheepway:** Celebration assemblies because we celebrate all the children who get certificates and it makes me excited!
- Sully in Conygar:** My maths because every time it is hard and I persevere until I get it right.
- Mollie in Conygar:** Learning about the Stone Age because I never knew what was in the Stone Age.
- Max in Priory:** My art because I've improved a lot. I compared my symmetrical portrait from this year to last year and I can now shade a lot more.
- Loyal in Priory:** Break the rule day because we get to pay to have fun!

### **Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal**

Our Poppy collection box together with poppies and poppy merchandise ranging from 50p to £1 are located on the table outside Sheepway Class.

### **FOSMS AGM**

The FOSMS AGM will be taking place in the School Hall from 6pm-7pm on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November. Everyone is welcome to attend.

### **Our website – [www.stmarysprimaryportbury.co.uk](http://www.stmarysprimaryportbury.co.uk)**

We are updating it all of the time.  
Have you seen some of the great photos on the class pages?

### **Dates for your diary:**

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November**  
– Inset Day

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November** – Football Finals @ BGS – School Team

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November** – Priors Wood Trip - Conygar

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November** – Raise the Roof @ High Down Junior School (Conygar)

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November**  
– Film Night

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November** – Parents Evening

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November** – Stone Age Character Visit – Conygar

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November** – Parents Evening

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December** – School Christmas Fair 5.30 pm to 7.30 pm

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>,  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>,  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>  
December** - KS1 Nativity Performances

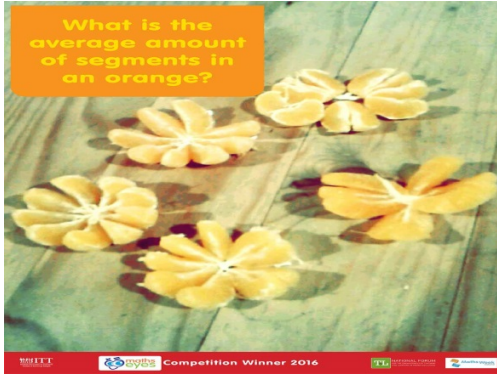
**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December** – KS2 Carol Service @ St Marys Church 7 pm

### KS1 Nativity

We will be holding KS1 Nativities for parents on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am and Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm.

They will also be performing the Nativity on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 1.30pm for senior citizens from the village.

### Talk about maths – it's all around us!



How many segments can you see in total? How many segments make up a whole orange?

Take a look at this brilliant website for inspiring images:

[www.haveyougotmathseyes.com](http://www.haveyougotmathseyes.com)

### *After School Clubs*

#### Monday

Hockey

#### Tuesday

Gym

#### Wednesday

Badminton

#### Thursday

Football

#### Friday

Bowls

#### **Emergency Contact No**

*(during club hours only)*

**07598 037991**

#### YOU SAID...

You would like to have an overview of key dates for the year.

#### WE DID...

Please find attached a draft of our annual planner which we hope will allow you to prepare and plan ahead.



We would like to hear from any of our family members if you are willing and able to share your skills and time with us. This could be sharing a book with our children, painting a wall, doing some weeding and planting and many more jobs that we would love to get done! There will be a sheet in our reception area from Term 2 for you to add your details to.

Many thanks.