

# **Poringland Primary School and Nursery**

**Happy-Active-Inspired-Healthy Learners  
Respectful, Kind and Honest**



**Newsletter 1 spring 2025  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January**



**DEAR PARENTS AND CARERS,**

We have finished the first full week of 2025 and it has been a great start to the year. The staff and children are back into the swing of the school day and as always there has been such a positive feel around school.

I really hope that your child or children have made a good start to the new year and that they are happy in their class and really moving forwards with their learning.

This term our Y1-Y6 children will be 'Working as Geographers' and they will look forward to sharing their learning with you during their showcases – these dates will be shared with you all on next week's newsletter.

Have a great weekend.

Mrs Hannah Howard

DEPUTY HEADTEACHER

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# This Week's Vision and Values Award winners

Happy

Inspired



Active

Healthy

Learners

## Upton

**Jenson** for doing some brilliant work coming up with a character description of the Gruffalo. Keep up the amazing work Jenson!

## Hickling

**Kalisha** for consistently demonstrating our school vision and values. You have worked particularly hard this week Kalisha and also made a super supportive partner for paired work involving measuring. Excellent!

## Rockland

**Jasper** for recalling lots of information about London and Edinburgh and for writing super sentences about these capital cities.

## Salhouse

**Jacob** for working so hard on improving your handwriting and being such a creative writer. Once you've finished your work, you are often keen to continue writing by creating stories or letters, which are always very interesting to read. Well done!

## Malthouse

**Hudson and Rudy** for their amazing team work in the art lesson this week. A great effort in making their 3D cardboard sculpture.

## Wroxham

**Emine** for a fantastic start exploring fractions this week in Maths. Amazing effort!

## Brundall

**Nora** for having a fantastic attitude to learning this week. Your focus when working has been terrific. Well done Nora

## Ranworth

**Freya** for consistently completing quizzes on Accelerated Reader, often completing more than one quiz per week. Freya is a really enthusiastic reader as is already making great progress this year. Keep it up!

## Fritton

**Henry** for an exemplary record on the Accelerated Reader Quizzes!! Outstanding effort.

## Ormesby

**Finley** for excellent oral contributions when working as a Geographer this week!

## Barton

**Bella** for being the most positive and enthusiastic learner! You appear to enjoy every lesson - making valuable contributions and producing excellent pieces of work. You are an asset to Barton class!

## Surlingham

**Ethan** for producing some wonderful Floodland-related writing in English this week. Ethan has listened intently to guidance and has worked hard to apply it to his own writing. His hard work is paying off!

## DIARY DATES 2025

### Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February

SEND coffee morning

### WC 10<sup>th</sup> February

Parent/teacher meetings

### Last day of half term –

### Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February

### Back to school Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February

### Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February

Y6 Football Cup match away Drayton

### Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February

Quiz and Chips (7pm)

### Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March

Parent anxiety workshop (9-11am in the studio)

### Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March

World book day (dress up)

### Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March

Class photos

### Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March

Y6 SATs and Residential meeting (3:15pm)

### Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March

Y4 Volcanoes and Earthquakes workshops in school

School disco (Neon)

### Last day of term – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April

### Back to school Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April



**Well done to the following children, who have been recognised for working particularly hard on Accelerated Reader (AR) and MyOn. Keep up the good work!**

Mia – Rockland

Lucia – Rockland

Felix - Rockland

Molly – Salhouse

Henry - Salhouse

Anastasia – Salhouse

Scarlett – Salhouse

Mark – Salhouse

Olivia – Salhouse

Isabelle – Salhouse

Edward - Salhouse

Dylan – Salhouse

Isla – Salhouse

Arthur – Malthouse

Jessica - Malthouse

Alfie – Malthouse

Alexa – Malthouse

Zara – Wroxham

Tommy – Wroxham

Casey – Wroxham

Oscar – Wroxham

Oliver – Ranworth

Raeya – Ranworth

Isla – Ranworth

Natsumi - Ranworth

Beatrcie – Ranworth

Freya – Ranworth

Tobias – Brundall

Amelia – Brundall

George - Brundall

Elliott – Ormesby

Catherine – Ormesby

Thomas – Ormesby

Lily – Ormesby

Henry – Fritton

Rose – Fritton

Maisie – Fritton

Bailey – Surlingham

Noah - Barton



**Thank you for spreading hope this Christingle**

**Dear Friends at All Saints Church Poringland,**

Thank you so much for taking part in this year's Christingle celebrations and for your amazing donation of £265.56. The money raised will help us to transform the hope and happiness of thousands of children who face abuse, exploitation and neglect and to bring the full light of Christingle into their lives. When you hold or attend a Christingle in support of The Children's Society you are letting the children and young people in this country know that they matter. By working together with our volunteers, supporters and campaigners we are offering them hope in some of the darkest situations. We know that organising and fundraising at your Christingle will have been both challenging and rewarding. Christingle is such an important celebration in many churches, schools and community group calendars, and we hope that however you celebrated, in person or online, that you had fun. From all of us here at The Children's Society, thank you for your time and support. You can read more about how your donation will make a life changing impact here – [childrenssociety.org.uk/impact](https://childrenssociety.org.uk/impact). We hope that you enjoyed your Christingle experience and therefore we invite you to share any feedback with us by visiting [christingle.org/survey](https://christingle.org/survey). Thank you once again for helping to make sure that children in this country can look forward to a hope filled, brighter future.

**Yours sincerely,**

**Andrew Moran**

**Head of Supporter Experience**

# Luminous Theatre Company



Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 enjoyed a fantastic performance of Mrs Frost and the Goose by Luminous Tales Theatre Company. We had a magical time!

# YEAR 4 NEWS



**This week, Year 4 have been learning about using paragraphs in fiction and non-fiction writing.**

We have been reading the fictional story 'The Great Kapok Tree' by Lynne Cherry and discussed the use of paragraphs in the story. We found out a new paragraph is used when there is a new speaker, time or subject in the story and to help organise the text to make it easier for the reader to understand. We practiced identifying paragraphs and deciding the reason why they need to be used.

We also looked at the use of paragraphs in non-fiction writing. We looked at how non-fiction texts use subheadings to help separate ideas and we practiced grouping together sentences of a similar theme which would make a paragraph. Then, we created our own appropriate subheadings for each paragraph.



PORINGLAND PTA

The graphic features the words 'QUIZ NIGHT' in a large, bold, yellow font with a black outline, set against a purple, jagged-edged background that resembles a comic book explosion. Several yellow question marks and stars are scattered around the text, some with white outlines and drop shadows, giving it a playful and energetic feel.

# QUIZ NIGHT

VENUE - PORINGLAND SCHOOL

**7PM-9.30PM**  
**FRIDAY 28TH FEBRUARY**

Hosted by our fantastic PTA and quiz master Mr Dean

Teams of 2-6 max

£5 per person includes free soft drink

Alcohol & snacks available to purchase

A night not to be missed!!

**REGISTER YOUR TEAM TODAY!**

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## OR JUST VOLUNTEER TO HELP OUT AT EVENTS

EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS.

Get in touch and email our PTA  
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or speak with your child's class teacher.

**1**  
**SUPPORT THE SCHOOL**  
The PTA is vital to the success of the school. Funds raised enrich your child's learning and make every student's experience better. Be part of the group that pays for the playground your child loves or funds the library that's their favourite place to be.

**2**  
**IT'S TOTALLY FLEXIBLE**  
Whether you're a full-time parent or working the nine to five, anyone can get involved. It's less commitment than you think, and you don't always have to attend meetings. Small jobs such as designing a poster, distributing letters or running a stall keep everything running smoothly.

**3**  
**MAKE LASTING FRIENDSHIPS**  
Meet and chat to a wider circle of families from different classes and year groups. Get to know other parents, and bond over exciting events, socials and get-togethers. Find a place to belong and spend time with others who share your values.

**4**  
**BE BETTER CONNECTED**  
Create closer links with the head, teachers and staff. If you're new to the school, the PTA is an excellent way to find out how things work and become part of the community. If not, you'll still gain greater insight by seeing how things work from both sides.

**PTA+**  
The home of school fundraising

**10**  
**REASONS TO JOIN THE PTA**

**5**  
**BECAUSE IT'S FUN!**  
Be part of the team which organises the best events and get-togethers. Debrief over a glass of wine (or two). Suggest your most hare-brained idea and watch as it catches on and everyone wants a piece of the action. Laugh. Cry. Be there for each other.

**6**  
**CHANGE SCHOOL FOR THE BETTER**  
Have your say on important decisions. Work with the school and other parents to see where improvements can be made, and implement them. Directly influence the experience of your child and hundreds of others.

**7**  
**LEARN NEW SKILLS**  
Everyone has something they can bring to the PTA, but you can also learn new skills by trading with others. Always wanted to perfect that cookie recipe? Not sure how to design a poster? Want to hone your public speaking skills? You can do it with the support of the committee.

**8**  
**IMPROVE YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING**  
Studies show that children whose parents are involved in their education do better in school. Engaging with the PTA shows your children's education is important to you. Play your part in improving the school and watch them

**9**  
**IT'S NOT JUST FOR MUMS**  
Everyone is welcome, and it's especially important to have dads and male carers represented, as male role models are crucial in children's upbringing. Dads can bring different skills; they can bring a different perspective, and they can bring along other dads.

**10**  
**CREATE LASTING MEMORIES**  
Our children are only at school for a few years, but they will remember the difference we make for a lifetime. They will cherish the activities and games we fund, learn using resources we buy, and remember the events we hold. Help keep the PTA going so future pupils can benefit too.