



# Putteridge Primary School

## Newsletter Issue No. 2

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

I do hope that you had an enjoyable half-term and were able to make the most of the drier days during the week.

It was lovely to see so many parents who were able to attend the parental consultation meetings just before half-term. I do hope that you found the information useful and that you are pleased at how well your child has settled in their new class. Please remember that if you do have any questions or queries, please pop a note in your child's yellow home/school diary so that our staff can respond to you. Please also keep a watchful eye on your ParentMail app, as this is the main way information will be sent to you.

Please take time to read through the information in the various sections within the newsletter – there are lots of things to celebrate and digest.

Kind regards,

Colin Pickard  
Headteacher



### Poppies

Poppies will be brought round to classes from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November. If your child would like to purchase one, please ensure that they have a monetary donation with them.



### Children in Need

On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November, we will be taking part in Children in Need day – further details will be sent out on a separate letter.



### Food Bank

Thank you very much to everyone who was able to donate to the Food Bank collection held on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October – a staggering **1377 items** were donated, and we know that this will make a huge difference to the charity.



### Foundation Stage 2024 applications

If you or a friend have a child due to start Foundation stage in September 2024, please ensure that your application is submitted online by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024. We are currently running tours of the school so if you or a friend would like to book on to one of these, please contact the school office.

### Values Programme

The value for the month of November is  
**'Respect'**



## Attendance Figures



Well done to our weekly attendance winners for the month of October, who are listed below:

#### Week ending

06/10/23  
13/10/23  
20/10/23

#### Key Stage 1 & EYFS

Orange Class (99.33%)  
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Red Class (94.81%)

#### Key Stage 2

3Y (99.33%)  
3Y (99.33%)  
4V (99.31%)

## Christmas Performances



For children in Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1, Christmas performances will take place during week commencing 4<sup>th</sup> December – these will be performed by each individual class and the exact date and time for each performance will be sent in due course.

For children in Key Stage 2, their Christmas performance will take place on the afternoon of Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December at Stopsley Baptist Church. Again, precise timings and details will be sent in due course.

## Sports Corner



### Multi Sports Festivals – September 2023

Children in Years 3 & 4 and Years 5 & 6 ventured to Inspire to take part in a sports festival that was run by young leaders from Queen Elizabeth School and Lealands High School. The children enjoyed taking part in basketball and netball skills, as well as playing dodgeball and benchball matches with and against children from other local primary schools.



### Boccia Competition – 11/10/23

Children in Year 3,4,5 & 6 travelled to Inspire to take part in a Boccia competition. Boccia is like bowls, where teams take turns rolling their ball, with the aim of getting their coloured ball closest to the white ball as possible. The children played lots of matches against other schools and made some new friends along the way. It was lovely to see the smiles on their faces as they took part in something different and represented our school impeccably.



### Athletics Competition – Year 5&6 – 18/10/23

The Year 5 & 6 Athletics team travelled to Inspire to compete against 12 other schools in an athletics competition, which consisted of a variety of running, jumping and throwing events. The children had been trying out for the team at lunchtimes and in their curriculum learning time. The children, parents and teachers should be incredibly proud of how they conducted themselves and what they achieved, finishing in 2<sup>nd</sup> place, which is an awesome achievement. They have qualified for January's Luton finals event, and the children know they've got lots of hard work and practice to put in so we can be the best we can be.