



Portobello Primary School
Weekly Newsletter
25th June 2021



Achievement Assembly

This week children have been awarded certificates for Never Giving Up! Well done to the following:

Reception: Noah Pickering **Year 1:** Bella McCall **Year 2:** Taylor Harvey
Year 3: Harry Forsyth **Year 4:** Jayden West **Year 5:** Amy Foster
Year 6: Connor Flatman and Lotti Zsoldos

Celebrating attendance

Year 3 have the highest attendance this week with over 95%. Fantastic Year 3 - well done!

Olympics Fundraising Day

Thursday 24th June was our Olympics inspired fun fundraising event; pupils had a fantastic School Games day. All of our children made us so incredibly proud when demonstrating the school games values throughout each activity. We took part in a variety of events, ranging from athletics to handball. Everyone was enthusiastic to take part, showing great teamwork skills and were keen to try something new too! Even though we were in our class bubbles, it was fantastic to take part in a whole school event altogether again! Well done to everyone - we can't wait for next year!

Quotes from children:

"Working together is really nice!" Year 3 pupil.

"I love days like today because sport is really important!" Year 5 pupil.

"It was sporty and fun, with lots of new goals for us to achieve," Year 6 pupil.

Thank you to parents/carers for your support and very generous donations as part of our sponsored day! We will give you an update on money raised once it has all been handed in or logged via Events/Fundraiser on SIMS PAY - could we ask you to collect in by Friday 2nd July please and hopefully we can make a start creating a more exciting outdoor area over the coming months.

Non-Uniform Day - Wednesday 30th June

Portobello are celebrating Pride Month and all the things that make us proud to be ourselves. We are having a non-uniform day where pupils can come into school wearing a t-shirt or jumper (schools polo tops/jumpers can be worn of course) of their favourite colour from the Pride Flag, either red, orange, yellow, green, blue or purple. We will take part in lots of fun activities too.





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Easyfundraising

We now have £30.86 in the kitty with 34 supporters contributing so far, thanks to those of you who are online shopping via the easyfundraising app/website.

Remember it's easy and completely FREE to use. We will receive a donation when you shop via easyfundraising even if it's your online weekly food shop, at no extra cost to you!

eSchools

Should you need any support accessing eSchools we have added some How to...links on the school website: [Welcome to Portobello Primary School \(eschools.co.uk\)](https://www.eschools.co.uk)

Marvellous Me

Parent and family engagement so far:

Pupils at school: 197 Pupils with at least one parent engaged with MarvellousMe (%): 161 (82 %)

If you no longer have your log in details let the school office know - please sign up and start using this APP, we will be using the reading record area from September too.

Staffing for September 2021

We are delighted to inform you of the class teachers for the next academic year:

Reception - Mrs Lockhart Year 1 - Miss Pendleton Year 2 - Miss West
Year 3 - Mr Bone Year 4 - Miss Tindale Year 5 - Mr Chipchase Year 6 - Mrs Brooks

Staff changes

Come July 22nd Year 6 will not be our only leavers this year. We will be saying a fond farewell and thank you to two wonderful members of our team that I know are held very dear by our whole school community.

Miss Howe is moving on to work in a 0-4 setting in Sunderland after being with us since September 2014. As well as teaching many of your children Miss Howe also led Music and our school choir as well as our Science provision. This is such an exciting opportunity for Miss Howe, and we wish her lots of success and happiness in her new venture.

Mrs O'Halloran will also be leaving us to spend more quality time with her family. Not only has Mrs O'Halloran assisted with teaching for many years she has also led our School Council, supporting them with their charity work as well as their responsibilities to help share the voice of our pupils.

New staff

Joining as class teacher is Mr Bone who will be working very closely with Miss West to provide a smooth transition from Key Stage 1 to Key Stage 2.

We are also welcoming Mrs Bunting who will be supporting learning in Upper Key Stage 2 this year.

Both teachers have already started working with us behind the scenes and are excited for the new academic year to start.

