



### COVID-19 - School procedures

From 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020 Year 5 and 6 will be offered hot school meals.

### Achievement Assembly

This week children have been awarded certificates for showing excellent learning behaviours.

**Reception:** Millie McTaggart    **Year 1:** Kourtney Lawton    **Year 2:** Jack Evans  
**Year 3:** Ollie Rutter    **Year 4:** Harry Muir    **Year 5:** Luke Weddle    **Year 6:** Joshua Wardle

### School Council Elections

We are so proud of all the children for their positive involvement in our School Council Elections. School Councillors for September 2020 - July 2021 are:

Class	
Year 1	Ruby Robson and Peter Barnes
Year 2	Lily Weddle and Iona Maclean
Year 3	Jack Dunn and Eden McCall
Year 4	Ryan Marshall and Jessica Charlton
Year 5	Aimee Handy and James Hall
Year 6	Matty Hayat-Munroe and Sienna Small

### Car parking

Please remember to park with consideration for our neighbours and each other. Do not block drives and once your child is in school please vacate the area as soon as you can to allow the next class bubble to park safely.

### Christmas

Things are going to be very different this year at Christmas. There are events that we would love to share with you as usual but our priority has to be keeping everyone safe and well.

This doesn't mean that we won't make it a magical experience for your children and plans are well underway to allow for celebrations in class bubbles - we are even in talks with Father Christmas and he is determined to let the children of Portobello know how special they are!

Our first event will be a Christmas Craft Day on **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** when we will all wear a **Christmas Jumper!**

### Christmas Cards

To allow us time to quarantine cards before distributing them we are asking that cards only be brought in on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December. They will be boxed in each class then distributed in the following week.

### A Message from Staff

The parents and carers of Portobello are always so thoughtful when it comes to Christmas and the end of term and we are always deeply touched by the kind cards and gifts. They really do mean such a lot. This year, however, in a time of great need, we are asking that instead of gifts for us you make a donation to your most treasured charity. The demand on charities has rapidly increased during the COVID19 pandemic and they rely so heavily on sponsorships and donations. Thank you in advance.

### eBook library is now available for Reception to Year 4 pupils

We are delighted to announce we have purchased a subscription to Oxford Reading Owl which will give our pupils access to over 500 eBooks. This will provide a library of free, tablet-friendly eBooks, drawn from favourite Oxford collections, a perfect ebook awaits. Log in details will be sent out on Monday.

A class log in will be sent by text so children can access eBooks both at home as well as at school.

You can log into the following link and add in your class username and password.

[https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/please-log-in?open\\_loginbox=true](https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/please-log-in?open_loginbox=true)

### Breakfast Club

Is available to book online until Sunday 6pm for KS2 pupils only.