

Portfields Post

Wow, what a half term. The past seven weeks have been filled with amazing learning and opportunities for the school community and this week has been no exception.

We've had Year 4 forest school days, where they had a great time despite the cold weather, and Year 5 have been taking part in orienteering. We've had Netball league matches and the Y5/6 boys football finals, where we are delighted to announce they finished in the top 8 out of all schools in Milton Keynes. Well done to the whole team. We have also had our discos where the children danced the night (afternoon) away and we finished the week with our school photos.

As there was no Portfields Star Assembly on today, we will be announcing this half term's house winners on the first week back.

The next half term promises to be just as busy with visitors, trips and our first BRIDGE Day where the children will take part in a range of art based activities across the school.

I hope you have a wonderful (well needed) half term break.

Mrs Folkard.

Notices

[Primary Science Quality Mark](#)

We are very proud to announce that Portfields Primary School is one of 310 schools that has been awarded the Primary Science Quality Mark (PSQM) this month, a nationally recognised accreditation that celebrates a commitment to developing excellence in science leadership, curriculum design, teaching and learning.

Community Centre Halloween Event

Please see attached leaflet for a Halloween event at the Community centre. The Churches in the town are offering a drop-in to have a break from the excitement and - especially if it is cold or wet - some hot chocolate and other snacks as well as a variety of family-based activities. All free of charge.

Parents' Evening Bookings

A reminder that Parents' Evening bookings will go live at 5:30pm on Monday 3rd November. For information about how to book an appointment, visit <https://www.portfieldsprimaryschool.org/parents/parents-evening>

If it is your first time using the system, I would strongly advise signing in prior to the booking going live.

School Council Members

We are pleased to announce the following children are our new school council members:

Meerkat- Shaniya

Dolphin - Greyson

Jaguar- Grace

Rhino- Anlela

Kingfisher - Sienna

Heron - Aba

Owl - Jessica

Swift- Thomas

Tricep- Beth

Steg - Rebecca

Brach - MATilda

Gecko - Abigail

Iguana - Bethany

Chameleon - Ella-Rose

Frog - Amelie

Toad - Sophie

Newt - Kaylynn

Starfish - Marlie

Shark - Ayva

Seahorse - Grace

Chestnut - Aida

Oak - Arthur

Elm - Alfie

After School Clubs

Further to the Parentmail sent earlier this week, all clubs are available to book. Please use the links provided to book the external clubs and ParentPay is open for all over clubs. If a club is no longer showing on your ParentPay account, it will be full.

Story Time with Santa – Book Now

This year, the Friends of Portfields School are thrilled to invite all Portfields children to enjoy a magical visit to Santa's grotto during our Christmas Fayre on Friday 12th December.

Each child will enjoy a festive story with Santa and receive a special gift – all for just £5.

Booking is essential and can be done online <https://pta.events/munwyr8f>

Spaces are limited and booking closes on 4th December, so don't miss out!

Make Christmas Extra Magical with a Personalised Letter from Santa!

This festive season, why not surprise your little one with a special letter from Santa himself?

We're delighted to offer personalised Santa letters for just £1.50, or £3.50 with a small gift included — a heartwarming keepsake to treasure!

To order, simply visit: <https://pta.events/9irqhnx4>.

Christmas Fayre - Helpers Needed!

We're getting ready for one of the most festive events of the year – the Portfields Christmas Fayre on Friday 12th December – and we'd love your help to make it magical!

Whether you can spare an hour or the whole day, we're looking for volunteers to support with:

Preparations in the lead-up – wrapping gifts, folding raffle tickets, checking bottles and chocolates

On-the-day help – Preparation on the morning of the Fayre, setting up stalls in the afternoon and running stalls at the fayre.

Every helping hand makes a huge difference, and it's a great way to get involved in the school community. If you're available to help, please let us know using the following link

<https://pta.events/i3l9971w>

Thank you so much for your continued support – we couldn't do it without you!

[Last Chance to Win an iPhone 17 Pro or £1,000 Cash!](#)

Time's running out to enter this weekend's Lottery Super Draw – and trust us, you won't want to miss it!

One lucky winner will take home this autumn's hottest tech – the brand-new iPhone 17 Pro – or choose a £1,000 cash prize instead!

All entries support the Portfields School Lottery, helping fund exciting projects and resources for our children.

Deadline to enter is fast approaching, so don't miss your chance to win big while supporting our school. Further details in the attached leaflet.

Go to www.yourschoollottery.co.uk Search for: Portfields

[Help Raise Free Funds for Portfields – Just by Shopping online!](#)

Looking for the easiest way to support our PTA? It's as simple as shopping online!

We've teamed up with easyfundraising, a brilliant platform that turns your everyday purchases into free donations for Portfields Primary School – at no extra cost to you.

Shop with over 8,000 retailers including Amazon, Argos, M&S, and more

This month only, with their Free £2 App-eal, we'll receive £2 for every supporter who registers via the app

If 10+ of you sign up before the end of October, we unlock even more bonus funding!

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/easyfundraising-app?utm_campaign=pmc&utm_source=whatsapp&utm_medium=social&utm_content=pta-bonus-oct-wa
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Dates

New dates in red

Dates (Autumn 2)

Mon - 3.11.25 - Children Return

Mon - 3.11.25 - Simon the Explorer - Y6 WOW Day

Mon - 3.11.25 - Parents Evening Booking Live (5:30pm)

Fri - 7.11.25 - PM - Cross Country Competition (MK Bowl)

Sun - 9.11.25 - Remembrance Sunday - Pupil Leaders

Mon - 10.11.25 - EYFS Intake (26-27) Stay & Play -Forest School - 09:00 - 10:00am

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Wed - 12.11.26 - Y2 Sublime Science Visitor

Mon - 17.11.25 - Y1 & Y2 Parent Reading Drop In (08:30 - 08:50)

Mon - 17.11.25 - Learning Journal Session - Chestnut Class - 2pm - 3pm (Lagonda Hall)

Tue - 18.11.25 - Y3 & Y4 Parent Reading Drop In (08:30 - 08:50)

Tue - 18.11.25 - Learning Journal Session - Elm Class - 2pm - 3pm (Lagonda Hall)

Tue - 18.11.25 - Owl and Swift Forest School Day

Wed 19.11.25 - Heron and Kingfisher Forest School Day

Wed - 19.11.25 - Y5 & Y6 Parent Reading Drop In (08:30 - 08:50)

Wed - 19.11.25 - Learning Journal Session - Oak Class - 2pm - 3pm (Lagonda Hall)

Tue - 25.11.25 - Y5 RIAT STEM Challenge

Wed - 26.11.24 - Flu Immunisation (EYFS & Any who missed)

Wed - 26.11.25 - Y6 Christmas Cracked

Thu - 27.11.25 - Owl Local Geography Walk

Fri - 28.11.25 - Swift Local Geography Walk

Mon - 1.12.25 9.00-11.00 Heron Local Geography Walk

Tue - 2.12.25 9.00-11.00 Kingfisher Local Geography Walk

Tue - 2.12.25 - Parents Evening (15:30 - 18:00)

Wed - 3.12.25 - Christmas Rocksteady Concert (TBC)

Thu - 4.12.25 - Parents Evening (15:30 - 18:00)

Fri - 5.12.25 - 09:30 - Y5 Christmas Cracked

Fri - 5.12.25 - Non-Uniform Day (Bottle Tombola donations)

Wed - 10.12.25 - Christmas Dinner Day ([See website for details of how to book](#))

Wed - 10.12.25 - EYFS Dress Rehearsal (KS1) - 1:30pm

Thu - 11.12.25 - EYFS Dress Rehearsal (KS2) - 1:30pm

Fri - 12.12.25 - Christmas Fair

Fri - 12.12.25 - Christmas Jumper Day

Tue - 16.12.25 - EYFS Nativity - 2-3pm (Aston Hall)

Wed - 17.12.25 - Whole School Carol Concert - 9:15 - 10:15am (Playground)

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Tue - 16.12.25 - Y5 Panto Stantonbury

Thu - 18.12.25 - Last Day of Term

Fri - 19.12.25 - INSET Day (School closed to children)

Dates (Spring 1)

Mon - 5.1.26 - INSET Day

Tue - 6.1.26 - Children Return

Wed - 14.1.26 - Y1 Phonics Screening Check Parent Workshop (6:15pm - 7:15pm) - Aston Hall

w.b 26.1.26 - Mock Y6 SATs Week

Wed - 28.1.26 - Woodrow Parent Meeting (6:15 - 7:15pm)

Thu - 29.1.26 - Y3 Stone Age / Ice Age Visit

Mon - 2.2.26 - Learning Journal Session - Chestnut Class - 2pm - 3pm (Lagonda Hall)

Tue - 3.2.26 - Learning Journal Session - Elm Class - 2pm - 3pm (Lagonda Hall)

Wed - 4.2.26 - Learning Journal Session - Oak Class - 2pm - 3pm (Lagonda Hall)

Wed - 4.2.26 - Parent Showcase Y1-6 (2:30 - 4pm)

Fri - 6.2.26 - Y5 Vikings Workshops

Tue - 10.2.25 - Safer Internet Day

Wed - 11.2.26 - Y4 Woodrow Trip

Fri - 13.2.25 - Last Day of Term

Dates (Spring 2)

Mon - 23.2.26 - Children Return

Mon - 23.2.26 - Young Voices

Mon - 23.2.26 - Parents Evening Bookings Live (5:30pm)

Thu - 5.3.26 - World Book Day

Thu - 5.3.26 - Parent Reading Drop In (08:30 - 09:00)

Fri - 6.3.26 - Y1 Exotic Animal Encounter

Tue - 10.3.26 - Y3 Roald Dahl Trip

Thu - 12.3.26 - Class & Leavers Photos

Wed - 18.3.26 - Rocksteady Concert

Thu - 19.3.26 - Y5 Space Centre Trip

Tue - 24.3.26 - Easter Discos

3:30-4:30 - EYFS

4:45 - 5:45 - Y5 Disco

Wed - 25.3.26 - Easter Discos

3:30 - 4:30 - Y3 Disco

4:45 - 5:45 - Y6 Disco

Thu - 26.3.26 - EYFS Spring Hat Parade - 2.45pm (The Playground)

Thu - 26.3.26 - Easter Discos

3:30 - 4:30 - Y1 & Y2 Disco

4:45 - 5:45 - Y4 Disco

Fri - 27.3.26 - Last Day of Term

Celebration

House Point Totals

1st - Orange = 1292

2nd - Purple = 1155

3rd - Green = 1181

Star of The Week

No Star assembly this week.

