



Portobello Primary School
Weekly Newsletter
16th May 2025



Achievement Assembly

Our achievement assembly celebrated children who have "stayed focused" this week. Well done to the following children:

Reception: Aariah **Year 1:** Jessica **Year 2:** Lola
Year 3: Alex **Year 4:** Alfie **Year 5:** Maisie **Year 6:** Year 6

Celebrating Attendance

Whole school attendance is currently at 95.5%
Well done to Year 6 for best attendance this week at 99.6%!

Date for Diary

- Thur 22nd May - Y5 to Gibside
- **Mon 2nd June - Inset day - school closed to pupils**
- W/C 3rd June - Multicultural week - would you like to tell us your story?
- Fri 6th June - Y3 visiting Birtley library
- **Midnight 15th June - School Uniform order deadline for free to School Delivery**
- Tues 17th June - Y2 & Y4 Newcastle trip & Discovery Museum Workshops
- Thur 19th June - Sponsored colour run event/national picnic day lunch
- Fri 4th July - Summer School Fayre 2pm
- **Monday 7th July - Occasional Day - school closed to pupils and staff**
- Thur 10th July - DT Showcase/workshop, timings will be shared in the summer term

School Catering Notification

We have received notification from School Catering regarding a food supplier who will be closing their Northern depot in July. In the meantime, Catering may experience some substitutes or shortages which could then affect school meals.

We have been assured kitchens will inform school as best they can in advance where feasible, although deliveries are often made daily to suit weekly orders made by our school catering team, so stock of certain items may not be available on the day and the dinner menus may then need to change quickly to ensure a lunch is provided to those children who have ordered one. Please be assured those on a medical diet will be always catered for. Please bear with us and school catering, this is beyond our control,

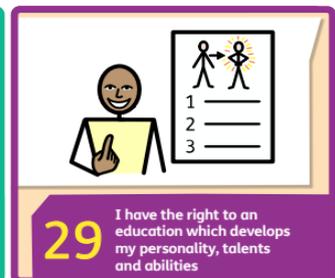
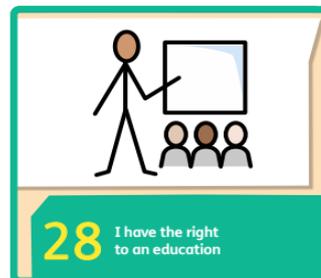
Polite reminder

The vast majority of parents, carers and others visiting our school are keen to work with us and support the school. We recognise that disagreements and differences of opinion may occur, however, it is important that while issues are resolved we continue to treat each other with respect.

We believe staff, parents and children are entitled to a safe and protective environment in which to work. Behaviour that will cause harassment, alarm or distress is contrary to the aims of the school.

Rights Respecting

Article 28 & 29: I have the right to an education



TEMPEST Class Photo Order deadline

Free delivery back to school is Monday 26th May 2025. Order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 3).



Multicultural Week w/b 3rd June – would you like to come in and tell us your story?

Every year we take part in Multicultural Week which allows us to explore different parts of the world and the different environmental issues that may affect them. This year, we are going to explore the diversity of Great Britain. We would love volunteers to come in and discuss their heritage with the children in school W/B 3rd June. We are looking for people to:

- Tell stories of what it was like in the area when they were younger. Has there been changes?
- Tell us about your religion
- Tell us if you have always lived in the area or if you moved here. If so, why?
- Share or help cook one of your favourite family meals
- Share your family tree and any interesting facts you have found out about your family.

National Picnic Week/Sponsored colour run

On Thursday 19th June we are having a sponsored colour run event

We will also be celebrating national picnic day too and have a special lunch see below for children who would usually have a school dinner please review the below and relay to your child the day before.

There will be no other dinner option available.



As part of our Health and Sports fortnight we are going to also celebrate PRIDE month and take part in a Sponsored Run with a twist of colour! This will take place on the afternoon of Thursday 19th June at 2pm and **you are all invited!**



Please complete below consent by 16th May
<https://forms.gle/yfMAanrJVApfPFRG7>

Children in Need

Have developed a FREE tool to boost children's mental healthiness The mental and emotional wellbeing of children has long been an issue, and it's vital that we do everything we can to break this cycle for the next generation. Our most recent survey revealed that around 30% of the UK's children now regularly feel anxious or worried.

At BBC Children in Need, we know lots of grownups want to help but aren't always sure how. That's why we've developed Pudsey's Pause with clinical psychologist Dr Julie. It's a super-straightforward, free tool that adults can use with the children in their lives. [Pudsey's Pause - BBC Children in Need](#)



