



### Achievement Assembly

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

**Reception:** Indi      **Year 1:** Leighton      **Year 2:** Amelia      **Year 3:** Ellen F  
**Year 4:** Theo      **Year 5:** Hollie      **Year 6:** Ellie

### Celebrating Attendance

Whole school attendance is currently at 96.3%

Well done to Reception for best attendance this week at 100%!

### Dates for Diary - Please check out the parent planner for future dates/events

- From week 10<sup>th</sup> November - Xmas Fayre and Xmas pupil shop donations please

### Calling all Parents/Carers/Grandparents - WE NEED YOU!!

Our fabulous school hosts many additional activities for the children to make their school year even more fun, as well as bringing in vital funds to support our resources. This would not be possible without the generous support of our fundraising committee! If you would like more information, please drop-in or call Mrs Lister in the office.

Our School Xmas Fayre is only 2 weeks away; wow we can't quite believe it. If you can help before or during let us know. In the meantime, please keep the donations coming in, we can't have a fayre without your support.



### Xmas Fayre Donation suggestions:

Chocolate items, Bottles alcoholic and non, family and children's board games, toys, Xmas smellies.

If you know of any businesses who could donate a raffle prize, please let us know? Thank you

### Rights Respecting Article 26



If my family need it,  
they should get money  
to help bring me up

Governments should help children's families if  
they cannot afford all the things they need to  
meet their mental and physical needs.

### 2025 PANTO Y1 TO Y6

If you haven't paid for the panto yet, you can continue to pay via instalments over the coming weeks. Ticket numbers have now been finalised and transport booked.

We can't wait to join Dame Bella Bigtop in the biggest little panto right on our doorstep this Christmastime!



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No need to book just come along on Tuesday to find out more.



## Anxiety and Worries Parents and Carers Information Session

**Portobello Primary School**  
**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November**  
**9.15- 10am**

Anxiety, fears and worries are normal experiences that we all have from time to time, but in some cases, they begin to affect our lives. For your child, this may affect their behaviour at home, at school or with their friends.

Many children experience these difficulties, yet as parents and carers you may feel that it is difficult to know what to do for the best.

The purpose of this workshop is to give parents/carers the opportunity to learn more about anxiety in children and how best to support children with their worries.

### The workshop will focus on:

- How anxiety presents in children and young people.
- Discussing the development and maintenance of anxiety in children.
- Tips and strategies you can use as adults to manage anxiety and build confidence and independence in children and young people.
- How to support young people to cope with their worries.



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# ANNUAL PUPIL CHRISTMAS SHOP

## PORTOBELLO NEEDS YOU

### MONDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

Can you support our School?

#### Christmas Shop Donations Required

We would like to set up a Christmas Shop with a buy a gift & wrap service in school on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December. All pupils, should they wish to take part will be able to choose and buy a gift for a loved one for £2.00 - this gift would be wrapped and then be addressed to a loved one to open at Christmas.



Can you help? We have 183 wonderful pupils in our school - we therefore need 183 donated gifts which we can display in our shop from which a child will choose one and it will then be wrapped and tagged ready to bring home.

Donated gifts can be for all ages (no alcohol products allowed) - do you have any new unwanted gifts to donate to school - a bath bomb, bubble bath, a candle, sweets, any unused soft toys/games, books, colouring items, packets of seeds for a garden maybe, a scarf or a cotton hanky even. We also ask for donations of wrapping paper and small/medium gift bags.

Staff will be on hand to carefully help wrap up each gift and each pupil buying a gift for £2.00 will write their gift tag or get support doing so.

Donations to be with us by Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December please.

The gift of giving for just £2 is cheaper than the shops and a lovely experience for the children to choose something by themselves for a loved one too.

All proceeds raised will go towards buying equipment for our school.

Kind regards

Miss Wyatt







🎄 Important Update: Christmas Party Date Changes 🧑🏻‍🎄

**Dear Parents/Carers**

Due to an exciting opportunity for our school choir to sing at Komatsu, we have had to make changes to the dates for both the EYFS/Key Stage 1 (Year 1 and Year 2) and Key Stage 2 (Year 3 to Year 6) Christmas Parties.

The new dates are:

- **EYFS/Key Stage 1 (Year 1 and Year 2):** Tuesday, 16th December (afternoon)
- **Key Stage 2 (Year 3 to Year 6):** Wednesday, 17th December (afternoon)

These changes are also reflected on the new parent/carer planner which has been emailed out to you.

Thank you for your understanding regarding the change in dates for both parties.

