



### Achievement Assembly

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

**Reception:** Ella **Year 1:** Tilly-Grace **Year 2:** Zohaib

**Year 3:** Alex **Year 4:** Esmae **Year 5:** Robert **Year 6:** Harry

### Celebrating Attendance

Whole school attendance is currently at 96%

Well done to Year 2, Year 4 & Year 5 for best attendance this week at 98%!

### Dates for Diary

[Clubs are ending next week!](#)

Rights Respecting, Eco Club, Sports Club, Lego and Football

### Other dates

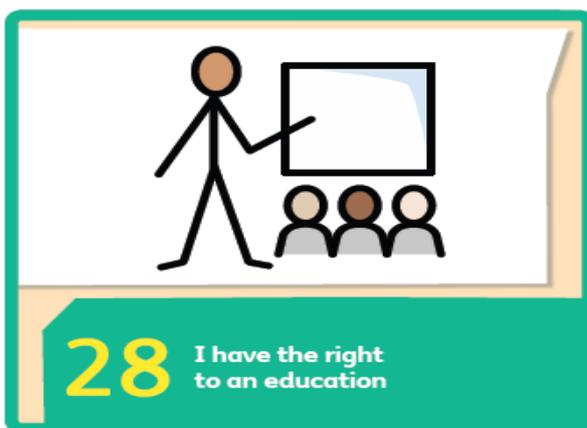
- Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Feb - Pancake Day at Breakfast Club - must book!
- Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Feb - Chinese New Year Menu and Pancake Day pudding: details to follow
- Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Feb - Rights Respecting Parent/Carer workshop AM - please complete google form
- Thur 19<sup>th</sup> Feb - Non-Uniform day fundraising for Benny
- Thur 19<sup>th</sup> Feb - Valentine's Disco - see details overleaf and emails sent
- Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Feb - Inset day/break up for February half term returning Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

### Families Magazine

In your January/February magazine, you'll find interesting articles and features on education, early years and health. Discover the role of schools in children's mental health and the importance of allowing children to develop at their own pace. Plus, some great ideas for New Year's Resolutions you'll be able to stick to!

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### Rights Respecting Article of the month: Article 28



### Final Notice re Lost Property

A grey Stanley-style water cup was found in the school meeting room on the day of the Christmas Fair (the one where the tombola was held). If you think it might be yours, please get in touch with the school office to claim it. If not claimed by Monday 8<sup>th</sup> it will be disposed of.

**Sport @ Portobello**

**Netball Finals**

Our netball team did extremely well in a tough Gateshead finals event this week. They came 4<sup>th</sup> overall in Gateshead, which is a fantastic achievement, well done everyone!

**Boccia**

Our Boccia teams competed in a great event this week, where they were very unlucky not to make the final, missing out by one point. We are very proud of them all. Well done.

**Year 4 Athletics**

Our Year 4 class came first overall in the cluster event at Lord Lawson this week. They performed very well as a team but also came away with lots of individual certificates for first place!

#TeamPortobello

**Valentines Disco Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February – please pay online by Friday 13<sup>th</sup>!**

**Year 1 to Year 6  
Valentine's Disco!**  
Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup>,  
straight after school!  
Collect from the normal key  
stage pick up yard @ 4.30pm

£3 per pupil includes: entry,  
juice cup, crisps & a special  
valentine's mix up too.  
Payment required by Friday  
13<sup>th</sup> Feb!

Non-uniform day  
fundraising for Benny  
£1 per child

**Reception Class  
Valentine's Disco!**  
Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup>,  
during school time!  
Collect at 3.20pm

£1.50 per pupil includes: juice cup, crisps &  
a special Valentine's mix-up.  
Payment required by Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> Feb!

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fundraising for Benny  
£1 per child

**Breakfast Club are celebrating Shrove Tuesday on Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> February.**

There will be pancakes galore on Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> February. Pancakes will be served with fresh fruit toppings and chocolate, or syrup sauce will be available too.

Usual breakfast club food items are available too! **BOOK ONLINE BY MIDDAY Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February**



**Parent/Carer Workshop: Would you like to find out about what it means for us to be a Rights Respecting School?**

Rights are important to everyone at Portobello. During Multicultural Week, we would love for you to come and join us to find out more about what we do as a Rights Respecting School. You will join your child to take part in many different activities all to do with rights. We can't wait to see you there!

**Date: Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February**

Reception and Key Stage 1 (Year 1 & Year 2) Parents/Carers between 9.15 - 10am

(For Reception and KS1 Parents/Carers - our hall will be available to wait in after dropping off your child as the session will start as soon as registration is complete)

Key Stage 2 (Year 3 to Year 6) Parents/Carers between 10.15 - 11am

Please complete the below google form to advise if you can make it, a grandparent or other adult family member is welcome if you cannot make that date,

Miss Pendleton <https://forms.gle/xEh3EiipCooXa2ye6>





Portobello Primary School  
Weekly Newsletter  
6<sup>th</sup> February 2026



Looking for a dentist for your child?

Bupa Dental Care Pelton have availability for ages 0 to 10  
Address: 2-3 Wheldon Terrace, Pelton Chester-Le-Street, County Durham, DH2 1DA  
Please contact the practice 0191 3702051.

Fundraising for Benny

We are having a non-uniform day on Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> February, which is our last day of this term. We hope you can help us to raise some much-needed funds to help Benny receive lifesaving treatment. Benny is known to some of our families who have asked us if our school can support their friend. Please click on the link and read Benny's story. Can we ask you to put your hand in your pocket and donate £1 for your child to come into school in non-uniform? They can come in whatever clothes/dressy up outfits they wish, so long as they are warm enough and the clothing is suitable for school. No cropped tops please, and easy toilet access clothing a must!

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/benjaminahmanizad>

**Solving Kids' Cancer UK**  
**Benny is fighting a life-threatening cancer**

Benny is a happy and caring four-year-old who loves dinosaurs, Ninja Turtles, pizza and dreams of playing for Newcastle United when grows up. In February 2023, at just two years old, he was diagnosed with stage 4 high-risk neuroblastoma. After completing treatment in March 2025, he began DFMD, a relapse-prevention drug. Sadly, scans in September showed that Benny's cancer had returned. His family is now fundraising in the hope that they can travel to Rome for life-saving treatment.

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Stand by Benny

You can give Benny hope by donating today:  
To donate online, visit: [solvingkidscancer.org.uk/children/benny](https://solvingkidscancer.org.uk/children/benny)  
To donate by text, send the word BENNY followed by any amount (maxed up to £20) to 70005.

If you would like to fundraise for Benny, please contact Solving Kids' Cancer UK for support at [fundraising@solvingkidscancer.org.uk](https://fundraising@solvingkidscancer.org.uk) or on 020 7284 0800

FR REGULATORY

**Gateshead Libraries**

**Saturday Craft Club:  
Meet Gemma Koomen**

**Saturday 7 February**  
**Birtley Library**  
**11am-12pm**

Meet author and illustrator Gemma Koomen, whose illustrations have brought our library to life. Find out more about her books and take part in a craft activity.

For ages 5+  
Free, pre-booking essential

Discover more at [Gateshead Libraries](https://www.gatesheadlibraries.org.uk)

Gateshead Council

**70's vs 80's vs 90's  
FAMILY DISCO**

BEST DRESSED CHILD & ADULT COMPETITION

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**FOOD**  
**DRINKS**

**8TH FEB | 3 PM - 5 PM**  
**£3 PER PERSON**

BIRTLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE  
RAVENSWORTH ROAD, BIRTLEY, DH31EN

