

Portfield News

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Welcome to the December Newsletter.

Lower School Nativity was a great success, and enjoyed by pupils and parents alike.



December 2017 Rhagfyr

WELSH PHRASES

Red tinsel = Tinsel coch

Coeden Nadolig = Christmas Tree Nadolig Llawen = Merry Christmas

RIGHTS

RESPECTING SCHOOL - To follow your own religion.





We have been busy preparing for our Upper School Christmas Concert 'The Surprise that Rocked Christmas',





and are looking forward to performing to our families, Governors and Friends on Thursday and Friday.





The Friends of Portfield joined us at Boots and Tesco in Haverfordwest for two very festive Carol Singing sessions. We raised nearly £400 towards purchasing trikes for our Lower School pupils. Thank you to everyone who came to support us .



Lower 4 have been busy making lots of Christmas arts and crafts this month. We also had a special visit from "Musical Bumps" on 11.12.17. All pupils thoroughly enjoyed the musical

Pupils from Taskers 2 satellite class recently went on an educational visit to St David's Cathedral. The day celebrated the recent release of a new book by Canon Patrick Thomas. The book is all about Christmas in Wales. During the day the pupils took part in a mini Drama production where pupils enacted the story of St Bride the Pembrokeshire midwife, learnt about cribs from all over the world, made Christmas cards and even sang Christmas songs with members of the Cathedral's choir in the song school. The pupils had a fantastic day

Portfield Christmas Fair

We would like to thank everyone who contributed to and supported this year's Christmas Fair. We raised over £2000 this year! Well done and thank you.

A wonderful evening was enjoyed by all.









The pupils who attend Youth Club made a range of products to sell at the Christmas Fair; including Red Onion Marmalade, Christmas Cakes, Bath Milk, White Chocolate and Cranberry fudge and a range of beautiful Christmas cards.

Upper 5 have been enjoying Christmas themed Creative Cookery!



Congratulations to Mrs Jo Oliver for raising £570 for the Cardiff Half Marathon. For winning the competition to raise the greatest amount of sponsorship money, the Friends of Portfield presented her with an overnight stay at the Cliff Hotel and a day at their spa.





Christmas Cards are available from Upper School Reception. They are £2.50 for a pack of ten.



Come and join the celebrations



Our charity shop Trysorau is one year old.

Saturday 16th December 2017

Enjoy refreshments and entertainment from

Portfield School Choir at 1pm

FF Dancers at 2.30pm





Bingo

Haverfordwest Cricket Club

Friday 15th December

Doors open 7pm * Eyes Down 7.30pm

Prize Bingo * £6 per Book of 8 Game

£1 flyer

Families Welcome We appreciate any Raffle prizes

Proceeds in aid of Portfield School

School Attendance — November 2017								
Lower 1	Lower 2	Lower 3	Lower 4	Lower 5	Lower 6	Lower 7		Y Porth
64.47	96.99	96.20	98.83	98.36	91.23	97.04		84.54
Upper 1	Upper 2	Upper 3	Upper 4	Upper 5	Sixth Form 1	Sixth Form 2	Taskers 1	Taskers 2
98.95	95.03	97.13	89.91	90.98	97.91	89.88	91.70	89.64

Congratulations to all classes who have achieved over the school target of 93%!



Independent Living Skills Open Evening Pembrokeshire College Tuesday 23 January 5PM - 7PM

Our Independent Living Skills courses (ILS) are designed to meet the requirements of students with moderate to severe learning difficulties.

Come along to our Open Evening for a chat, coffee and a tour of our outstanding facilities.

For further enquiries please call Mel Axford on 01437 753 168.

See you there!

Checklist

Y Put yourself in control

Make use of the parental controls on your home broadband and any internet-enabled devices. You can find out how at your broadband provider's website or by visiting internetmatters.org.

Search safely

Use safe search engines such as swiggle.org.uk or kids-search.com. Safe search settings can also be activated on Google and other search engines as well as YouTube. You can find out more at google. couk/safetycentre.

Agree boundaries

Be clear what your child can and can't do online – where they can use the internet, how much time they can spend online, the sites they can visit and the type of information they can share. Agree with your child when they can have a mobile phone or tablet. Over 65 % of parents are most concerned about their 6-10 viewing inappropriate content online*

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Explore together The best way to find out what your child is doing online is to ask them to tell you about it. Encourage them to use devices in communal areas so you can see what sites they're visiting and share with them.

Greek if it's suitable

The age ratings that come with games, apps, films and social networks are a good guide to whether they're suitable for your child. The minimum age limit is 13 for several social networking sites, including Facebook and Instagram.

Dates for your diary

- Friday 15th December 7pm
- Saturday 16th December
- Thursday 21st December
- Friday 22nd December
- Monday 8th January 2018
- Tuesday 9th January 2018

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- FOPS Bingo at Haverfordwest Cricket Club
- Trysorau Anniversary Celebration
- KS4 & 5 Carol Concert at Albany Church
- Last day of Term
- INSET Day
 - Pupils back in school
 - Lower School Parents Evening