

Portfield News Newyddion Portfield

Welcome to the January Newsletter.

January 2018

Ionawr

Lower 2 topic this term is Transport and Welsh Heritage.

We have been having fun mark making with vehicles using spaghetti, beans and chocolate mud!

We have also been focusing on using core vocabulary including "stop, go, more, blow" when playing social interaction games including "balloons" and "bubbles".



WELSH PHRASES

Glas - Blue

Coch - Red

Gwyrdd - Green

Melyn - Yellow

The Bronze and Silver Duke of Edinburgh Students have started their volunteering sections with the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park. On



Thursday 11th January they worked very hard litter picking with Ian Meopham, a ranger from the National Park, and Phil Sadler from the National Trust. While working at Porth Lysgi Beach and Whitesands, the students collected over 10 bags of rubbish!

RIGHTS

To be the best that you can be.



As part of their John Muir Award, Lower 7 wrote letters to local companies to ask for donations for their garden project in Lower School.

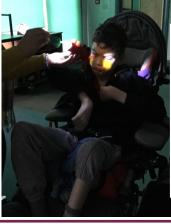
Wilkinsons generously gave the pupils a £10 voucher to spend in store. The pupils went to the store on Tuesday 16th January to spend their voucher on gardening equipment. They bought gardening gloves, a



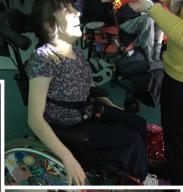
trowel and lots of vegetable and flower seeds to plant

Upper 5 have been taking part in a sensory story about Dragons from 'The Mabinogion'.











Our Sixth Form corridor has been rejuvenated by this wonderful display of photographs that were created by the Options Photography group.





Winners of our Scarlets Rugby tickets, generously donated by the Scarlets, enjoying the match.

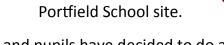




Take Part For A Healthy Heart

As part of the British Heart Foundation awareness month in February 2018 we would like to become involved at school and raise money for a Defibrillator

machine to be installed on Portfield School site.



Staff and pupils have decided to do a lap around the race course and back to school on Wednesday 14th February wearing woolly hats and anything red.

We are hoping to raise as much money as possible to support the installation and training for the defibrillator machine as this will be a valuable piece of equipment

for the school and the community.

We are asking for kind donations to support the school. It would be really great if you could also ask family and

Trysorau

Many thanks for your continued support of our charity shop Trysorau.

Anyone who is interested in volunteering at the shop please contact Sue Lawton or Sam Harries 01437 762701

Termtime Opening Hours

Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday/Friday

1-2.30pm

Saturday 10-4pm

Holiday Opening Hours

Tuesday—Saturday 10-4pm

DVDs of the Upper School Christmas Concert and Lower School Nativity are still available for a contribution of £5.









Supporting Junformation and advice for parents and carers online

There are real advantages in maintaining an open dialogue with your child about their internet use. Not sure where to begin? These conversation starter suggestions can help.

Ask your children to tell you about the websites and apps they like to use and what they enjoy doing online.

2 Ask them about how they stay safe online. What tips do they have for you, and where did they learn them? What is OK and not OK to share?

3 Ask them if they know where to go for help, where to find the safety advice, privacy settings and how to report or block on the services they use.

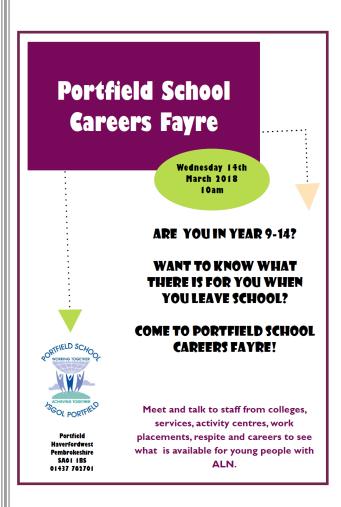
4 Encourage them to help someone! Perhaps they can show you how to do something better online or they might have a friend who would benefit from their help and support.

Think about how you each use the internet. What more could you do to use the internet together? Are there activities that you could enjoy as a family?

School Attendance — December 2017

Lower 1	Lower 2	Lower 3	Lower 4	Lower 5	Lower 6	Lower 7		Y Porth
64.84%	91.96%	93.75%	95.14%	98.44%	96.35%	91.80%		91.41%
Upper 1	Upper 2	Upper 3	Upper 4	Upper 5	Sixth Form 1	Sixth Form 2	Taskers 1	Taskers 2
94.69%	97.22%	95.45%	91.67%	95.54%	90.85%	85.34%	89.90%	85.00%

Congratulations to all classes who have achieved over the school target of 93.5%!



Facebook's Safety Centre has a range of advice for young people, parents and teachers.

www.facebook.com/safety

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There are a number of safety tools such as Reporting, Blocking and Privacy Settings at www.facebook.com/safety/tools.

Other helpful tools:

Blocking: prevent someone from contacting you or seeing your content

Activity Log: a record of all of your Facebook activity

Social reporting: to help people deal with concerns that do not break Facebook's terms and conditions

View As: see what your Timeline looks like to other people

Timeline review: review photos or posts you've been tagged in before they appear on your Timeline

App privacy: control what you share with third party apps on Facebook

Tag review: lets you review tags that people add to your nosts

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 14th February 'Take Part For A Healthy Heart'

Monday 19th—Friday 23rd February Half Term

Tuesday 27th February Parent Behaviour Meeting with Guest Speakers (Lower School)

Thursday 8th March 9.30-11.30am Friends of Portfield School