

Portfield News Newyddion Portfield

September 2018

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WELSH PHRASES

Bendigedig - Brilliant

Wyt ti'n barod? - Are you ready?

Dw i'n hoffi... I like...

RIGHTS



RESPECTING SCHOOL To an education.

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

I am very honoured to have been given the opportunity to lead the school after the retirement of Mrs Harper.



It is very important to me that the pupils who attend our school are the focus for all that we do. I wish to ensure that the school looks to reinforce and where possible build on the reputation that the school has for providing high quality learning experiences and success in enabling our learners to develop their skills for life.

This will be a challenging year as we look to continue our preparation for the new curriculum and preparing to meet the changes being brought about by the new Additional Learning Needs Bill. If we all work together as a team then I know we will be able to implement the improvements that have been identified through the schools own evaluation of our work. These changes present a wonderful opportunity to engage our pupils in deciding the pathways they wish to take in their learning and it is one I believe the school is well placed to embrace.

Nook forward to meeting as many of you as possible in the coming weeks



visiting the WW2 control tower in Carew this

Haverfordwest
Tesco have very
generously donated a
50 inch Toshiba LED
Backlight TV. We
will be raffling it off
on Tuesday 18th
September.

Tickets are £1 each, if you would like to be in the draw

Y Porth

Our topic this term is

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We are focusing on 'Our Environment'

- Science we will be growing plants, identifying plants around the school, and designing a garden.
- RE studying how each religion

Lower 1 Our topic this term is 'Myself'.

We have 3 brand new pupils in class and wish

Lower 4's topic this term is 'Ourselves'. We will be

Lower 6

Our topic this term is 'All

About Me' - who we are,

what we like/don't like

looking at things we like to do, looking at our local

environment and where

Upper 5 are 'jitterbugging' back in are exploring 1940's fashions, hairstyles, music! We will be

time to the 1940's. We recipes, and of course listening and enjoying

Lower 2's topic

this term is

'Ourselves'. We

Our topic is 'Looking Good, Feeling

Great'. We are focusing on different types of exercise including riding trikes, outside walks and exercise to music. Two pupils are now swimming at the Leisure Centre which is brilliant progress- well done Chantelle and James!

Upper 4

We are testing recipes for healthy flapjacks using apples from Ms

Lower 6's revolting recipe!

are finding out about ourselves,

Dahl Dau

Lower 6 pupils made a revolting recipe for Roald Dahl Day. They had great fun

feeling, mixing

and eating the



We had lots of fun making Charlie and the Chocolate Factory inspired fairy cakes

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senses to explore We have already

Lower 3

Our topic this term is 'Ourselves'. We will be reading stories and learning about healthy eating by cooking healthy snacks.

We will use our and use some of our body parts to paint.

<u>Digital Competency Training For</u> Parents/Carers

@ Portfield School Autumn 2018/19



Course Outline;

It is essential for parents, carers and guardians to keep up to date with their child's learning throughout their school life,

This course helps increase confidence to support your child at home with the key digital tools used in Portfield School.

3 sessions will cover:

- Online Safety 1st Oct Portfield Upper School 1-3pm
- HWB tools 8th Oct Portfield Upper School 1-3pm
- PC at Home 15th Oct Portfield Upper School 1-3pm

Online Safety Anti-Bullying - Keeping your children safe online and how to stop bullies and prevent further attacks.

HWB Tools (Code/J2e5/Word) - Supporting your child at home with a range of tools available through Hwb and J2E accounts.

PC at $\underline{\text{Home}}_{\text{mod}}$ Looking through Espresso, Purple Mash, Reading Eggs and Word and Help $\underline{\text{Kidz}}$ Learn..

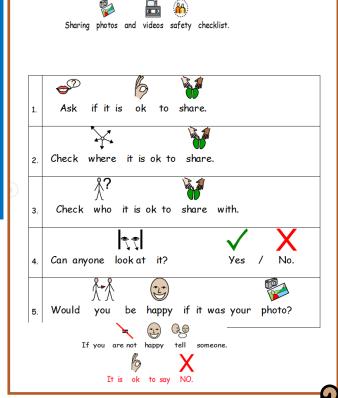
You will be aware that we have had issues with the Hydro Pool that has resulted in it being out of action since August. Unfortunately those issues will result in the continued closure of the pool whilst the school and the Local Authority work with contractors to ensure a suitable repair programme is agreed.

At this time I do not have a specific date for the re-opening of the pool but can reassure you that

Haverfordwest and Goodwick Tesco Charity Tokens

Portfield School is fortunate to currently be one of the charities that Tesco are supporting through their Blue Token Scheme.

Please encourage your families and friends to ask



The School Council Elections will be held on Tuesday 26th September.

Our new Head Boy and Girl and Deputies will be



How safe are the sites, apps and games your child uses?

Run in partnership with O2, Net Aware offers parents useful information about each social network, including the age guidance for users.

Reassure them that you won't overreact – you're just looking out for them

Explain that you understand the internet is a great place to be and that you're just looking out for them. Tell them they should speak up and not keep secrets if something is worrying them.

Reassure them that you're interested in all aspects of their life. Say that you'd like to talk about stuff they've seen online, sites and apps they visit, and that you'll share the things you've seen too. Recognise that they'll be using the internet to research homework, for example.

Be Share Aware: talk about what's OK, and not OK, to share online

If you have a question or need support and advice about keeping you children safe online, experts from the free O2 & NSPCC helpline are here to help.

0808 8005002

School Attendance — July 2018

Lower 1	Lower 2	Lower 3	Lower 4	Lower 5	Lower 6	Lower 7		Y Porth
90.81%	88.66%	97.06%	92.44%	99.02%	94.96%	89.34%		94.35%
Upper 1	Upper 2	Upper 3	Upper 4	Upper 5	Sixth Form 1	Sixth Form 2	H1	H2
95.59%	96.08%	95.99%	93.89%	84.82%	89.44%	87.73%	92.31%	91.67%

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

SCHOOL MEAL PRICES AS OF SEPTEMBER 2018

INFANT: £2.35

JUNIOR: £2.45

Dates for your diary

Friday 21st September Jeans for Genes Day

(Pupils to wear jeans £1 donation).

Friday 28th September MacMillan Coffee Morning

Monday 1st October 1-3pm Parent DC Training

Monday 8th October 1-3pm Parent DC Training



The Low Vision
Service can
offer help and
support to
anyone with
impaired vision,

regardless of age. You can refer yourself or be referred by your optician, GP etc. They provide information and specialist visual aids.

01267 248 793

Transfer of Medication

Just a reminder: If your child travels on
Transport all medication needs to be given to the
escorts who will pass to a member of staff in
class, if you bring your child in to school please
give it directly to the member of staff.







Join our FREE iPad workshop for families raising children with additional needs



Do you have an iPad and want to learn how to make the most of it? Join Family Fund and the Parent Partnership Service in Pembrokeshire for a free training workshop for families raising children with additional needs, and find out more about how your iPad works (or at least keep up with your children!)

The session will last about two hours (including questions and evaluation) and topics include:

- Customising your tablet to address any vision, hearing, motor and learning needs of your child.
- Parental controls and guided access.
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 Locating and accessing resources.
- Using built-in apps to develop reading, writing, speaking and research skills.



Please note that this workshop is about iPads and isn't relevant to other makes of tablet.

Friday 12 October, 09.30am until 11.30am

Pembrokeshire Archives Haverfordwest SA61 2PE

Places are limited, so if you would like to attend, please book your place(s) by contacting the Parent Partnership Service on **01437 776354** or **pps@pembrokeshire.gov.uk**

For any further information or to ask any questions, please email: digitalskills@familyfund.org.uk

