



Portfield News

Newyddion Portfield

February 2017

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WELSH PHRASES

Melyn = Yellow

Oren = Orange

Du = Black

Gwyrdd = Green

Glas = Blue

RIGHTS

RESPECTING SCHOOL -
Right of the month

A child has the right to be
the best they can be.

February

Class News

Foundation Phase: We have a lovely Foundation Phase outdoor environment and we are looking for tyres (for planting), perspex (for drawing), large ropes (for making large clocks & venn diagrams), bamboo (for instruments) and material voiles (for gazebo). If you could donate any of these items, we would be very grateful. Thank you.

Upper 2 have really enjoyed making "Giant" rolls in cookery. Whow they look great!



Upper 3 have been busy filming their short scenes around Portfield School. They have been working with Showboat TV who are based in Pembroke Dock.



School Council: Josh and Faye attended the Full Governors meeting to update everyone on the projects that the School Council have undertaken during the term. The main project is to highlight the importance of keeping pavements free from cars parking on them. We have received some flyers to put on any offenders windscreens! Dyfed Powys Police, Pembrokeshire Access Group and Pembrokeshire County Council have given permission for these flyers to be used if necessary, however it has been advised that students do not use them without an adult present. If you would like any flyers to be sent home with your child please contact Donna Lewis at the school.

Signalong Training



Congratulations to this group of Portfield staff who have recently completed their phase 1 Signalong training.

Pictured are Alison Williams (signalong Tutor) Julie Simpson, Elizabeth Watts, Lesley Amico, Linda Warr, Sam Mathias, Emma Goss, Jo Raymond, Zoe Davies, and Laurel Vores. Not in the Photo

Hazel Jurd and Sarah Cooper who both also achieved the signalong phase 1.

Swimming Gala



The annual Pembrokeshire swimming gala was held at Fisguard Leisure Centre on 25th January. Portfield School was represented by eight pupils from Upper School, Tasker's satellite classes and Y Porth who had qualified through winning their races in our own gala in June

2016. The pupils entered backstroke, breaststroke and freestyle races. Towards the end of the gala the pupils raced in the 25m relay race and came a fantastic 2nd place. The pupils were awarded with medals for participation and effort. We are very proud of the pupils who's swimming ability is improving each year. Well Done to all pupil's who took part!



Gymnastics

On Wednesday 25th January Portfield's Annual "In house Gym Competition" took place. Pupils from the upper and lower school competed in floor, bench, vault and chair rhythmic routines throughout the morning where the pupils demonstrated to the judges the skills they had learnt.



Pupils were awarded certificates for their achievements. Pupils who were placed 1st, 2nd and 3rd will be competing in the Local Schools Rotary Gymnastics Competition in Haverfordwest Leisure Centre.

A very big thank you to everyone who supported the Samaritan's Christmas box appeal. The boxes were dispatched to children in Serbia and were gratefully received. We look forward to getting involved next Christmas to support more children through the festive season.



Portfield School raised £37.95 for the 2016 Save the Children Christmas Jumper Appeal. Many thanks for your support.



Snapchat is an ephemeral messaging app that is popular with teenagers which allows them to share user-generated photos, texts and videos, ie 'snaps'. Once a 'snap' is sent to someone else, it can last on the screen of the receiver for a matter of seconds before disappearing. There is also a feature called 'Snapstory' where you can put your 'snaps' on your 'story' for more than one person to see for 24 hours.

⚠ Safety advice

There is information on safety in Snapchat's safety

Snapchat also has guidance for parents. It explains why young people might like Snapchat, how it works and how to avail of the safety tools available.

⚙ Safety tools

- **Blocking:** When you use the blocking feature, the person you block can't view your snaps or your Snapstory and they can't send you snaps either.
- **Privacy settings:** Only those who you add as friends can view your snaps. If someone who you haven't added sends you a snap, you will get a notification, but you have to add them as a friend to see what they sent you. You can change who can see your snaps by changing your privacy settings.
- **Reporting:** If you experience harassment, or bullying,



Instagram is a photo and video sharing app that is popular with teens. People on Instagram can connect with one another through comments, captions and hashtags on photos and videos.

⚠ Safety advice

There is information on safety in Instagram Help Centre. Instagram also has advise for parents. This advice explains what Instagram is, as well as how it works. It also offers key safety advice.

⚙ Safety tools

You can find out more about Instagram's safety features in the Help Centre. This includes:

- **Blocking:** When people use the blocking feature, the person they block can't view their posts or search for their Instagram account.
- **Reporting a Post:** You can report inappropriate posts, comments or people by using the built-in reporting features in the app.
- **Deleting or Reporting Comments:** You can flag or delete a comment as abuse or spam by swiping left on it.
- **Privacy Settings:** You can adjust your privacy settings to make your account private. This means that anyone who wants to see your photos or videos, followers, or following lists will have to send you a

School Attendance—December 2016

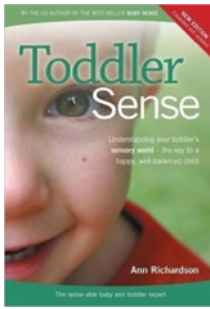
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87.08	100.00	86.31	95.83	91.67	95.51	97.22	88.54

School Attendance—January 2017

Lower 1	Lower 2	Lower 3	Lower 5	Lower 6	Lower 7	Upper 1	Upper 2
91.87	85.94	87.78	93.89	83.21	97.50	96.25	91.67
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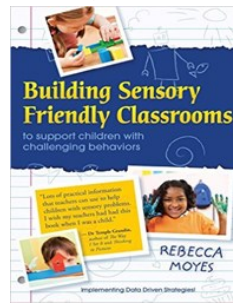
Useful Sensory Information Resources

Toddler Sense



By Ann Richardson

Building Sensory Friendly Classrooms



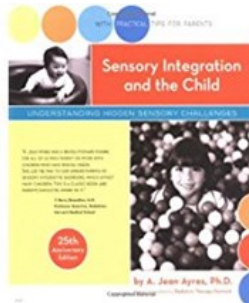
By Rebecca Moyes

Raising a Sensory Smart Child



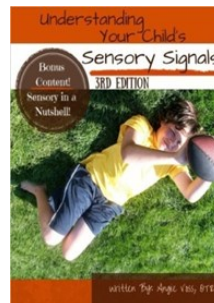
By Lindsay Biel MA,OTR/L & Nancy Peske

Sensory Integration & The Child



By A Jean Ayres PhD

Understanding your Childs Sensory



By Angie Voss,

Link to PFD file

<https://calebsdogg.files.wordpress.com/2013/09/2ndsensorysig->

USEFUL WEBSITES

www.sensorydirect.com

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 14th February

FoPS meeting and Lucky Heart Draw

Tuesday 14th March

Parent Behaviour Meeting

Friday 31st March

FoPS Easter Bingo

Wednesday 5th April

Easter Bonnet Parade—Portfield Lower School

Wednesday 5th April

Easter Service—Portfield Upper School

Thursday 6th April

Breaks up for Easter Holidays

INSET DAYS - Inset days arranged for this academic year are:

Friday April 7th 2017, Monday 24th April, 2017

Pupils return to school after Easter on Tuesday 25th April.