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Dear Parents and Carers

### End of Term Newsletter – July 2023

Thank you for your sustained support during a very busy academic year. In this final newsletter of the year, I want to share some recent highlights, outline arrangements for the end of term, beginning of next term and remind parents and pupils of our expectations for the new academic year.

Participation rates on the Portchester Community School Personal Development curriculum offer have exceeded 93% of our pupil population – this is an amazing achievement that recognised the high levels of engagement from pupils and the dedication of staff to provide opportunities beyond the classroom to enrich pupil's lives.

Our Personal Development curriculum covers the totality of our wider curriculum offer. This aspect of our offer nurtures knowledge, skills, character traits and motivation so that pupils develop in terms of success, confidence, and responsibility.

Our Personal Development curriculum includes aspects of our lesson time class, extra-curricular activities, enrichment sessions, outdoor education through the Duke of Edinburgh scheme, employer engagement, sporting events, college and university visits, tuition, student leader opportunities, residentials, trips, visits, guest speaker, virtual experiences and so much more!

Our extensive careers provision is exciting and profitable – ranging from tutor activities, employer engagement, experiences of work, college, and work taster days. More intensive work with Year 10/11 includes mentoring, independent and bespoke career planning interviews, taster events and application support.

Our rewards system aims to develop, Resilience, Creativity, Positivity and Excellence. Rewards and recognition are key features of our Personal Development curriculum. Over 155,000 merits have been issued to pupils this academic year. Key pupils such as: Alfie Dean 9LMT, Harry Duell 7KH, Fergus Meenehan 9AHO, Max Smith 9LCT, Nellie Westbrook 9AHO and Hannah Waddington 7TWW, have each achieved over 500 merits – an amazing personal achievement!

#### Merits - all students 01/08/2022 - 17/07/2023


Name ↓	Positive
Year 7	46569
Year 8	30497
Year 9	36537
Year 10	25163
Year 11	17995

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### The last week of term:

Monday 17 July 2023	Cluster Music Concert at 5.00 pm
Tuesday 18 July 2023	Year 10 Celebration Assembly - 8.45 am – 9.15 am Full Governing Body Meeting
Wednesday 19 July 2023	Sports Day - All Day Summer Concert at 7.00 pm
Thursday 20 July 2023	Year 8 Celebration Assembly - 8.45 am - 9.15 am Year 9 Celebration Assembly - 2.30 pm - 3.10 pm



### Summer Concert Wednesday 19th July 2023

Join us celebrating the end of term with our outdoor Performing Arts Concert next week.

Tickets available via the School Bank



### Sports Day reminders Wednesday 19th July 2023

YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9	YEAR 10
OBSTACLE COURSE FAIR - SPORTS HALL	TECH CHALLENGES MAIN HALL/GYM	TUG OF WAR ASH - FIELD	ROUNDERS/ SOFTBALL EPS - FIELD
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WHOLE SCHOOL TRACK EVENTS - FIELD (9.15am)			



### Highlights from this half term:

## YEAR 5 TASTER DAYS/ YEAR 6 TRANSITION DAY



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### Last day of term arrangements:

Assembly – Year 7 Celebration/Tutor time until 9.15 am
Periods 1 and 2 - normal lessons – Refreshments as usual – please get your food Break 1
Periods 3 and 4 – normal lessons – No Refreshments from the canteen
End of term for pupils – 1.40 pm

### Farewells:

At the end of every term, we have a number of colleagues that leave us. This year, we say a fond farewell to Mrs Day – after working at the school for over 30 years, her work in the LRC and Reprographics has helped keep the school going and supported pupil literacy. We also give our best wishes to, Mr Allen, Mrs Finch, and Mr Fancett – who leave us to start new adventures in September.

### Start of term arrangements:

Friday 1 September 2023	Year 7 only. Year 7 photos
Monday 4 September 2023	All years in school from 8.45 am. Year 11 photos
Monday 11 September 2023	PTA Meeting – 6.30 pm
Tuesday 12 September 2023	Full Governing Body Meeting 1
Wednesday 13 September 2023	Year 7 Meet the Tutor Evening 1
Wednesday 20 September 2023	Year 7 Meet the Tutor Evening 2
Saturday 23 September 2023	PTA Coffee Morning – 11.00 am – 1.00 pm
Thursday 28 September 2023	Autumn Term Flu Vaccinations

During the summer break, we will be holding a Summer School for our new Year 7 cohort and celebrating the Year 11 GCSE results on Thursday 24 August 2023.

Thank you for your sustained support during a very busy year. Wishing you and your family a very peaceful and relaxing summer break.

Yours sincerely

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## Uniform/equipment reminders and updates for September 2023

### HOW SHOULD I GET READY FOR MY FIRST DAY?

Welcome to your journey with Portchester Community School

We are proud of our school and our brilliant staff and students. Our students show how proud they are to be part of Portchester Community School by wearing the correct uniform. We have a few simple rules for uniform which we expect everyone to follow:

- Navy blazer with embroidered Portchester logo
- Navy V-neck sweater (optional)
- Plain white shirt/blouse with collar
- Portchester Community School tie
- Plain tailored mid-grey knee-length skirt or plain tailored mid-grey trousers
- Black socks/neutral or black tights
- Black leather-look 'school type' shoes or ankle boots – no trainers or logos
- Plain waterproof outdoor coat
- No black leggings or cycling shorts

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#### You will also need a PE kit:

- Navy/Sky shorts/skort or plain navy-blue shorts/skort
- Navy/Sky unisex polo shirt
- Navy-blue reversible football/rugby shirt with Sky band (optional for outdoor PE)
- Navy/Sky zip sweatshirt (optional for outdoor PE)
- Navy/Sky turnover top football socks or plain navy-blue football socks
- Plain navy-blue tracksuit bottoms/performance trousers
- Portchester printed legging

You will need to make sure you have shin pads to wear for football and a mouth guard to wear for rugby.

#### You will need to bring the following items with you in a strong school bag:

- Pencil case
- Pen
- Pencil
- Ruler
- Sharpener
- Rubber
- Highlighter pens
- Coloured pencils
- Spare pen and pencil!
- Scientific calculator
- Reading book
- PE kit when needed

It's a good idea to pack your school bag the night before so you don't forget anything.

**Please remember that if you bring a mobile phone to school, it must be put 'away for the day' – meaning it should be switched off and put in your school bag during school hours.**



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### Uniform Regulations

It is not possible to list all the items which are not allowed. It is important to wear the uniform smartly and with pride. These are examples of items that are **not** allowed:

- 'Hoodies', sweatshirts, or cardigans
- Denim, leather, or leather-look jackets
- Logos, large lettering on outdoor coats
- Tight-fitting trousers, jeans, cords, or lycra skirts
- Slits up the side of trousers and skirts and wide flared trousers
- Canvas shoes, trainers or any footwear considered dangerous
- Extremes of hair colour and styles, e.g., high contrast (short/long/multi-coloured), including tramlines and unnatural colours
- Hair must not be shorter than a Grade 2
- Body and facial piercing, tattoos, tongue studs and dermal piercing
- Nail varnish/artificial nails

### Physical Education Kit (Boys and Girls)

- Navy/Sky shorts/skort or plain navy blue shorts/skort
- Navy/Sky unisex polo shirt
- Navy blue reversible football/rugby shirt with sky band (optional for outdoor PE)
- Navy/Sky zip sweatshirt (optional for outdoor PE)
- Navy/Sky turnover top football socks or plain navy blue football socks
- Plain navy blue tracksuit bottoms/performance trousers
- Portchester printed leggings
- Shin pads – MUST be worn for football
- Mouthguards must be worn for rugby
- Optional base layer under Navy/Sky unisex polo shirt

**Appropriate footwear MUST be worn during every Physical Education lesson. Information regarding footwear for the 4G Astro pitch will be provided by the PE Department on the school website – please check before buying new boots.**

**Jewellery must not be worn in Physical Education lessons. This includes ear studs.**

To support families with the 'cost of living crisis' and the cost of school uniform, from September, pupils can wear navy blue leggings for PE rather than the 'Portchester' logoed leggings.

Our PTA continue to offer 'Preloved' uniform for sale. They will be selling items to new Year 7 pupils during the Summer School and, again, to all pupils during their regular Saturday Coffee Mornings. The first Coffee Morning of the new academic year will be held on Saturday 23 September 2023 between 11.00 am and 1.00 pm.




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## 2023 Price List

### Day Wear

Navy/Purple/Silver Striped Woven Tie					
£7.75					
Boys & Girls Navy Eco Blazer Embroidered with logo			Navy Knitted Sweater Embroidered with logo		Plain Navy Knitted Sweater Optional
28"	.....	£29.99	Optional		30" ..... £18.00
30" - 34"	.....	£32.99	30"	..... £19.99	32" ..... £21.00
36"	.....	£33.99	32"	..... £22.00	34" - 38" ..... £22.00
38" - 42"	.....	£38.99	34" - 38"	..... £24.00	40" - 46" ..... £28.50
40" - 46"	.....	£29.99			
White Short or Long Sleeve Unisex Eco Shirts From £15.00		Boys Grey Trousers From £17.99		Girls Grey Eco Trousers From £22.99	
				Girls Grey Skirts Must be Knee Length From £16.50	
Iron on Name Tapes					
x36	.....	£4.99	x72	.....	£5.99

### PE Wear

<b>Navy/Sky G920 Polo Shirt</b> Embroidered with logo		<b>Plain Navy/Sky R150 Reversible Rugby Shirt</b> <b>Boys only</b>		<b>Plain Navy/Sky B250 ¼ Zip Sweatshirt</b> <b>Girls only</b>	
26/28" - 34/36" .....	£14.50	30/32" .....	£19.99	26/28" - 30/32" .....	£19.99
38/40" - 46/48" .....	£15.99	32/34" & 34/36" .....	£20.50	32-34" - 34/36" .....	£20.75
		38/40" - 46/48" .....	£21.99	38/40" - 46/48" .....	£25.99
<b>Navy/Sky P231 Shorts</b>		<b>Girls Navy/Sky G203 Skort</b>		<b>Navy/Sky Turnover Top</b>	
24/26" - 28/30" .....	£10.50	22" - 28" .....	£15.99	<b>Football Socks</b>	
32" - 40" .....	£11.85	30" - 36" .....	£17.99	Junior .....	£4.99
				Senior .....	£5.50
<b>Navy ZR38 Leggings</b> Printed with Logo			<b>Navy/White ZR35 Training Track Pants</b> Printed with Logo		
24/26" - 28/30" .....	£17.75		24/26" - 28/30" .....	£20.50	
30/32" - 38/40" .....	£19.75		30/32" - 38/40" .....	£23.99	

Prices are correct at the time of printing

### Opening Hours

Mon – Fri 9:00 am – 5:30 pm  
Sat 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

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## Dear Parent/Carer,

You can find your child's full school uniform all year round in our **Fareham store on West Street**. **We advise you purchase early in the summer holidays as we get very busy.** (Please refer to our website [www.skoolkit.co.uk](http://www.skoolkit.co.uk) for store opening times.)



**ONLINE ORDERS need to be placed by:**

**WEDNESDAY 9TH AUGUST**

For delivery before the start of the 2023/24 school year

Please note that orders placed online throughout July, August & September can take up to 14 working days.

Postage charges apply, please refer to our website for costs.

Free delivery will be available with any size order placed online by using the following code when viewing your basket online.

**Saturday 22nd July – Saturday 29th July**

**Code: SUMMER2023**

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