



PORTCHESTER
Community School

Year 8 Newsletter
May 2023

Themes of the Month

June = Responsible Citizen – Self Respect
July = Confident Individual – Celebrating Success

Key Events

5 June – First Day of SU2
TBC – Sports Day
21 July – Summer Holidays Begin

Merits and Attendance

Thank you to all parents/carers who continue to support with attendance. In Summer Term 1 the attendance was 92.8%, which is an increase of 0.6% from the last half-term. There were 49 students who have 100% attendance this half-term and we look to celebrate this success by having a celebratory treat of ice-cream to begin Summer Term 2 with.

There are five students who have maintained 100% attendance since September. A great achievement and well done to: Mathilde, Jonathan, Austin, Chloe and Holly.

This term there are 7 students who have moved onto the Bronze merit badge for earning over 600 merits.

Mathilde and Paige are the first students in the school to achieve their Silver Badge by achieving over 700 merits.

Message From Mr James

I am overwhelmed by the majority of student who engage in their school life and consistently work hard to make progress across the subject areas. Equally, when students go outside their comfort zones and do extra activities beyond the curriculum. A special mention to Paige and Holly who came 2nd place in the Fareham and Gosport debating competition just prior to half-term. Holly went on to win Best Speaker of the Day also.



As we move into the warmer part of the year, athletics becomes a bigger part of the sporting calendar. Whilst the Year 8 competition has yet to occur, we had two students, Luis and Cody, represent the school in the Year 9 competition and both secured second place in the Triple Jump and Discus respectively.



Further pictures and results this half term can be found on www.twitter.com/PortchesterPE

Last week we had BAE come into school for an enrichment opportunity and they gave a presentation on Space to a selection of students.



Successful

Confident

Responsible