

Weekly Update – 16th November

S1-3 Curriculum Review - Parent Consultation

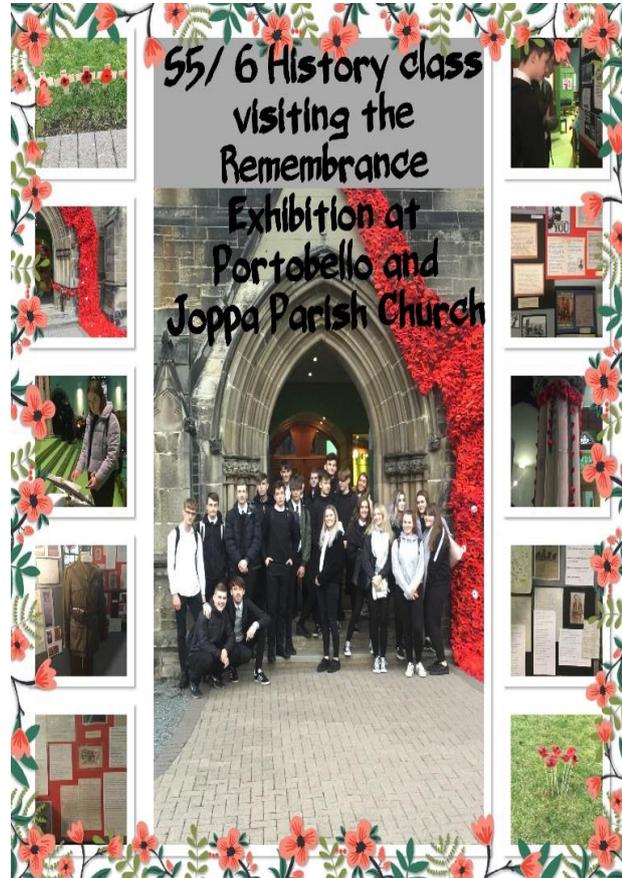
As part of our Curriculum Review, we have been looking at what and how our young people learn in the first three years of secondary school. We would like to invite parents of young people in S1 and S2 to an information evening on Tuesday 4 December from 6.30 to 8.00pm. If you have children S3-6 at present and younger children still at primary, this event will also be of interest. The changes we make will be implemented from next session and will affect young people who are currently in S2 or below.

On the night, we will explain the changes made previously to our S4-6 curriculum and how the changes in S1-3 will better prepare young people for what comes next. The evening will take the format of a presentation and workshop so numbers are limited to make sure it is a positive experience for all taking part. The feedback from this event will be used to refine our plans and a final proposal will be shared with all parents and carers for comment.

If you would like to take part, please sign up using the survey monkey link which will be emailed home to all parents and carers. If the event is over-subscribed, we will aim to ensure good representation across year groups and our catchment area. Representatives from our associate primary schools will also be invited.

History Visit

Senior History Pupils had the opportunity to visit a First World War local history exhibition at Portobello and Joppa Parish church this week. The exhibition was part of Portobello's Remembrance celebrations marking the centenary of the end of the First World War. Pupils saw contemporary sources such as letters from the trenches, the Boys Brigade Roll of Honour and a first world war uniform. We also admired the amazing poppy displays both inside and outside the church.



Suspended Timetable – Blackpool Trip

Any pupil interested in the Blackpool trip next year, please give their name to Miss Richards in G28 by end of day on Tuesday 20th November.

The trip includes return coach travel, bed and breakfast, trip to Blackpool tower, day at the Pleasure Beach, trip to Bowling, visit to Madame Tussuads, and will cost approx. £220. Any questions, speak to Miss Richards.

PE Update

Football

U15s- Portobello 0-5. The boys put up a good fight against a good Leith side, well done to them!

U16s-Portobello 6-1 Broughton A great performance from our boys. Goals from Rudge x3, King, Cassidy & Irving!

Seniors- Dunbar 1-8 Portobello. Goals from M Lockhart x 4, T Davies x 3, T Morgan and the MOTM goes to L Hamilton. Huge thanks to Mr Lockhart for taking charge of the game

Good luck to Brodie Watt, Ben Bookbinder and Robert Hunter who have their final group game for the Edinburgh Schools U15 select squad on Tuesday.

Rugby

The U16s unfortunately lost against Penicuik however managed to put up a good fight against a very good team, well done to both teams!

The U14s managed a strong and comfortably victory against a determined Penicuik side, well done boys!

Basketball

Both our S2 Girls and S2/3 Boys teams had Scottish Cup wins against Holy Rood HS & Musselburgh Grammar respectively tonight. Thanks to both schools for their support in terms of hosting these games. Our S2/3 boys also managed a great victory against Musselburgh Grammar School. Two great performances from the boys over the last couple of days, well done! 🙌🏀

Swimming

Good luck to those swimming in this weekend's Edinburgh and Midlothian Schools Championships on Sunday the 19th of November.

A reminder that we have our House swimming competition, organised by our Sports Council, at 4pm on Tuesday 27th November. If you are interested in taking part, the sign-up sheet is in the PE department.

Achievements

If there are any other further achievements that the School is unaware of please contact us with information at admin@portobello.edin.sch.uk.

For the latest PE news, follow @PortobelloPE on Twitter

Mini-Fundraiser

We are delighted to be able to support Cody McManus, from Duddingston Primary School. Over the last two years, he has raised tens of thousands of pounds to buy toys and bikes for other children at Christmas. Last year Cody cycled over 50km from the Falkirk Wheel to Duddingston to raise the funds. This year he is tackling the 5k assault course at Winton Castle, quite a challenge when you are 10 years old!

If you would like to support Cody in making Christmas a bit nicer for some children and their families, details on how to do so are below.

**CODY'S
XMAS
TOY
BOX**

WITH SCOTTISH ASSAULT
COURSES AT WINTON CASTLE

1ST DEC
5K
ASSAULT

This year 10 year old Cody McManus will undertake a gruelling 5K army assault course for his Christmas Charity Challenge.

To inspire you to donate toys to ensure every child and young person in **EDINBURGH** wakes up to Toys & Gifts on Christmas morning.

Support Cody by donating a new toy or gift suitable from 0-18 or simply donate to:

Justgiving.com/CrowdFunding/CodysXmasChallenge

And we will purchase toys on your behalf. Or contact 07877476340 to arrange collection or drop off.

THANK YOU