



Friday 6th March 2026

A message from Mrs Sargent

We have had another busy and exciting week here at PPS. In celebration assembly today we welcomed the president of Portishead Rotary club to present two of our children with prizes! Well done to Edith M and Rowena F for winning first place in the Young Artist (Edith) and Young Writer (Rowena) competitions! We are looking forward to working with the Rotary club to set up a Rotakids club in our school. Please let Mrs Fleming know if you would be interested in helping out.

As the weather is getting brighter and drier, we are noticing an increase in parents allowing their children to play on the field and equipment after school. For the safeguarding of our children in after school club, we need the gates to be closed at 3:30. Please can you ensure that you have left the school site by this time so that we can safely lock the gates. Thank you for your understanding.

Dates for your diary

March 2026

Mon 9th-Fri 12th – Book Fair in Library 3:20pm

Wed 11th – Bedtime Stories 6pm-6.45pm

Fri 13th – Kahlo Class celebration assembly at 2.45pm

Staffing update:

Mrs Merriam has made the decision to not return to school following a period of absence.

I am sure you will join me in wishing Mrs Merriam all the very best in her future endeavours and thank her for everything she has brought to the whole Portishead Primary School community throughout her ten years with us.

Mrs Hall has been acting as SENDCO in Mrs Merriam's absence, and will continue to do so for the remainder of the school year. Goldsworthy class will continue to be taught by Mrs Fleming with Mrs Hall teaching some days.

If you need to contact Mrs Hall about any SEND issues, please use this email: sendco@portisheadprimary.co.uk

Weekly attendance



Monet	100%
Van Gogh	95.3%
Goldsworthy	97.2%
Morris	99.5%
Mondrian	93.2%
Kandinsky	100%
Cantrell	91.7%
Kahlo	95.8%
Kusama	96.7%
Ringgold	96.5%
Mehretu	97.4%
O'Keeffe	93.8%
Banksy	97.1%
Basquiat	97.9%

Celebrate

Well done to the following children who all received a certificate today in our celebration assembly:

Monet	Finley	Van Gogh	Daksha
Goldsworthy	Sophie	Morris	Leyla
Mondrian	Elsie	Kandinsky	Sophie
Cantrell	Pippa	Kahlo	Molly
Kusama	Evelyn	Ringgold	Zac
Mehretu	Arlo	O'Keeffe	William
Banksy	Stanley	Basquiat	Hetty

UNNAMED LOST PROPERTY - REMINDER

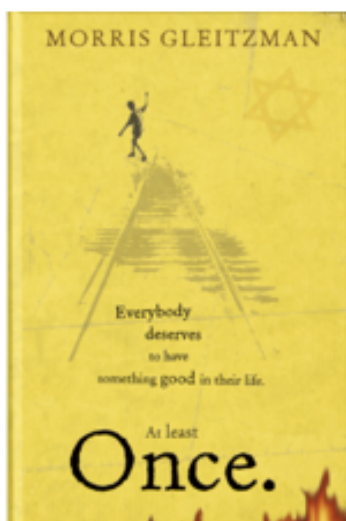
We are continuing to see a lot of unnamed lost property being brought to the School Office. Please could we ask that **all items** (clothing/lunch boxes and water bottles) that your child/ren bring in to school are **clearly named** so we can then return them to classes and reunite them with their rightful owners. Thank you



Recommended Reading



This week has been filled with lots of book talk whilst we have celebrated World Book Day. For our recommendation this week, we are sharing a book filled with heartbreak and hope.



Recommended by: Miss Woodyatt

Title: Once

Author: Morris Gleitzman

Genre: Historical Fiction

Age group: Year 6 +

About the book:

The book is set in Nazi-occupied Poland during World War II. Felix, a kind and imaginative boy, runs away from an orphanage to find his parents. Along the way, he learns about the dangers of the world he lives in but also about bravery, hope and kindness.

Miss Woodyatt says:

"This book offers a thoughtful glimpse into a challenging historical period through the innocent and imaginative voice of a child. Its accessible writing keeps readers engaged throughout. Although age-appropriate, its themes make it most suitable for Year 6 and above."



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HELP EACH OTHER

Do you have a child who struggles to read? Do you have a child who is struggling to read? Do you have a child who is struggling to read? Do you have a child who is struggling to read? Do you have a child who is struggling to read?

With a little over a week to go, it's time to get your tickets for this musical extravaganza. Based on a true story and brought to life onstage with lively song and dance numbers, Portishead Young Players invite you to join them on the streets of New York of 1899. Performances are at The Somerset Hall from 12th to 14th March. Thursday and Friday shows start at 7,30pm Both performances on Saturday are earlier than usual starting at 1.00pm and 6.00pm

Tickets are available from Nortech Computers and the Post Office (Cost Cutter) in Portishead High Street, by telephone on 0333 666 3366 or [online](#) Adults £12 Children £10

'Seize The Day' while you still can and get your tickets now.

Portishead Young Players Production of **NODA**

Disney **NEWSIES JR.**

Music by Alan Menkin Lyrics by Jack Feldman Book by Harvey Fierstein

Based on the Disney Film Originally Produced on Broadway by Disney Theatrical Productions

12th to 14th March 2026

Somerset Hall, Portishead.
Thursday & Friday, 7:30pm; Saturday, 1:00pm & 6:00pm

Tickets available from Nortech Computers, the Post Office or online

www.portishead-players.org.uk





Shine Holiday Clubs – Easter Holidays

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- Football Fundays
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- Gymnastics & Cheerleading
- Cricket Fundays
- Athletics Workshop
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Gordano School &
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Join the Easter Holiday Fun in Portishead! Book now and receive 20% off! Use the code Early Booker.

We have loved seeing so many children come along to Shine Holiday Clubs and look forward to welcoming more of you.

For children at any school from Reception – Year 6, days run from 09:00-15:30 with (early and late hours) available if you need them.

There are load of different activities such as, Football Fundays, Mega Mash Up, Creative Eggs-Travaganza, Disney Dance Medley, Gymnastics with Cheerleading, Make a High School Musical, Forest Adventure and Cricket, Athletics & Basketball workshops there really is a day your child will love.

Shine are Ofsted Registered so you can pay via Childcare Vouchers and the Tax-Free Childcare Scheme.

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See you at Shine!



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