



# Portland Primary School

*'Belong, Believe, Achieve'*



July 18<sup>th</sup> 2018

Dear Parent / Carer,

## **2018 SATs / Phonics**

As you will be aware Years 2 and 6 have had their SATs tests this term and Year 1 have had their phonics screening check. All the results are now in and I am extremely pleased to be able to report that results are up for all age groups in all subjects. A big well done to the pupils and staff for their hard work and for your support with homework.

## **Summer Writing Competition**

Wirral Libraries are running a story writing competition over the summer holidays, with a range of prizes. We have put details on the schools Facebook page with additional information available at [www.readnowwritenow.org.uk](http://www.readnowwritenow.org.uk). We have some fantastic creative writers, give it a go and good luck!

## **Summer Swimming Pass**

Wirral Leisure are offering a reduced price swimming pass over the summer holidays. Details are available at [www.wirralleisure.co.uk](http://www.wirralleisure.co.uk).

## **Meeting with Co-op Academies Trust**

Many thanks to all those who attended the meeting last week, I hope that you found it informative. As we transfer to the Trust one issue that has been raised by parents is that of uniform. Following the meeting I can confirm that there are no plans to change the colour of the school uniform. The only planned change is the school badge and there are no plans to implement this until January 2019 at the earliest. When this happens current jumpers can continue to be worn until they are 'worn out'. This is to ensure that no parent / carer will be put at any financial disadvantage. As such the guidance is to continue to buy uniform as normal at this point.

I intend to use some of the pupil premium funding to purchase a school jumper for all pupil premium pupils. In light of the upcoming change, the current plan is to make this available with the new badge from January 2019. If you need to find out if your child is entitled to pupil premium, please check with the school office.

If you were unable to attend the meeting or have any other questions relating to our transfer to the Co-op Academies Trust please do not hesitate to ask.

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### **End of Term**

A reminder that school finishes for the Summer at **2:30pm** on **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July** and that pupils return at normal time (8:55am) on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September**, as Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> are INSET days and the pupils are **not in**.

On behalf of myself and staff may we wish you all a safe and happy Summer.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P Crossley'.

Mr P Crossley  
**Headteacher**