

Atlantic Academy Portland

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you all enjoyed some wonderful half term activities, it's wonderful to have our students back and refreshed after a week off school.

As I'm sure many of you are aware, this half term is always busy with events and activities in the run up to Christmas.

I wanted to take this opportunity to share some dates and events that are happening over the next few weeks.

Remembrance Day

As per previous years at Atlantic Academy, children who attend Guiding, Scouting or Cadet Troops are invited to wear their uniform into school as we celebrate Remembrance on November 11th. As a mark of respect, all students at Atlantic Academy will be marking the day with 2 minutes silence.

Anti Bullying Week

From Monday 15th to Friday 19th November, Atlantic Academy will be participating in <u>Anti Bullying week</u>. The theme for the week is 'one kind word' and will see a number of key issues covered as well as opportunities to participate in ambassador training and online safety awareness events. To mark the start of this week we are inviting Primary students to participate in odd sock day.

Children in Need.

On Friday 19th November we will be fundraising for <u>Children in Need</u>. Last year we invited children to come to school dressed in a colour and used the opportunity to mark the day with positive words and affirmations. We will be looking to repeat this again this year. If your child would like to come to school dressed in their year group colours we look forward to sharing their outcomes with you. I've attached last year's photo for your reference. An optional donation of £1 can also be brought into school to go to CHildren in Need Charity.

Healthy Living Week

From Monday the 22nd November, all children in all Primary classes will be actively learning how we can all be a little bit healthier and happier inside and out! This year, we are thrilled that we can welcome active workshops and guest speakers into our school to broaden the children's experience and embed healthy habits further. Throughout the weekly class lessons, children will be not only learning about how to improve













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their nutrition and exercise but social and emotional wellbeing, mental health and environmental health.

Enrichment

Our Enrichment clubs will run until December 3rd. There will be no Enrichment clubs for the final 2 weeks of term, however, after school club will still be available for working parents with the exception of the last Friday of term - Friday 17th December - on which school will close at 3pm.

Christmas Activities

We have a busy schedule of Christmas activities planned over the next few months. Whilst we tentatively have pencilled these in, they are of course subject to change depending on the situation with the Coronavirus pandemic. We will confirm closer to the time of events that will be taking place in person or virtually but wanted to make parents aware of dates and activities ahead of time.

November

8th - Year 6 Virtual Parents Meeting - Summer residential

- IIth Remembrance day
- $15^{\mbox{\tiny th}}$ Anti Bullying Week
- 15th Assessment Week
- 16th Primary Open Afternoon
- 19th Children in Need
- 22nd Primary Healthy Living Week
- 23rd Year 3 Dorchester Museum Trip
- 25th Year I /2 and Year 5 Beach Clean

(PLEASE ENSURE SCHOOL VISIT CONSENT IS TICKED ON SIMS PARENT APP)

December

- Ist Primary Parents Evening Virtual
- Ist Year 6 Steam Engine Visit
- 2nd Primary Parents Evening Virtual
- 3rd Reception Dinosaur Museum Trip
- 3rd Year 5 Viking Day
- 3rd Year 4 Greek Day
- 3rd Primary Reports Home
- 3rd Primary Celebration Assembly
- 9th Christingle Year 4
- 9th Victorian Christmas Fayre
- 10th Christmas Jumper Day
- 13th Reception and Key Stage One Nativity
- 14th Santa Dash fun run
- 15th Christmas Lunch
- 15th Christmas Crafts Afternoon
- 17th Staff Pantomime

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17th - Class Christmas Parties

We look forward to sharing our winter events with you all and can't wait to see our pupils sharing their excitement in the run up to the festive season!

Kind Regards

Miss Heppell - Principal





