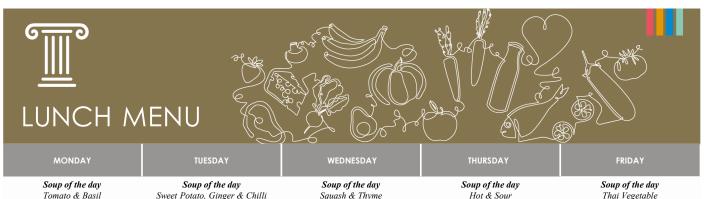






uch Menu

w/c 27th November



Tomato & Basil with Freshly Baked Bread

Sweet Potato, Ginger & Chilli with Freshly Baked Bread

Squash & Thyme with Freshly Baked Bread

Hot & Sour with Freshly Baked Bread

Thai Vegetable with Freshly Baked Bread

Dish of the day Loaded Mac & Cheese Bar

Dish of the day Braised Beef & Root Vegetables

Dish of the day Herb Roasted Chicken Thighs with Gravv

Dish of the day Mexican Spiced Beef Enchiladas

Catch of the day Breaded Cod. Lemon & Tartare Sauce

Vegetarian dish of the day Loaded Mac & Cheese Bar

Vegetarian dish of the day Mushroom Stroganoff with Rice

Sides

Parsley New Potatoes

Green Beans

Vegetarian dish of the day Squash & Beetroot Wellington Vegetarian dish of the day Halloumi & Black Bean Quesadilla

Vegetarian dish of the day Quorn & Veg Pie

Sides

French Fries

Sides Sweetcorn Steamed Broccoli

> Roasted Peppers Keeping it simple bar

Sides Roast Potato Roast Veg Steamed Greens

Sides Mexican Rice Green beans Roasted med veg

Garden peas Baked Beans

Keeping it simple bar Pasta with a choice of 2 Homemade Sauces

Jackets with a choice of 2 Homemade Sauces

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Dessert Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt

Dessert Salted Caramel Cheesecake Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt

Dessert Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt

Dessert Reduced Sugar Carrot Cake Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt

Desserts Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt

For allergen information, please ask a member of the team.





PORTLAND PLACE SCHOOL

DATES FOR THE DIARY

TUES 5 DEC - CAROL SERVICE, ST MARYLEBONE CHURCH, 11.15AM

MON 11 DEC - CHRISTMAS CONCERT, REGENT HALL, 6.30PM

FRI 15 DEC - END OF TERM

TUES 9 JAN '24 - SPRING TERM STARTS (INSET DAY FOR STAFF MON 8 JAN)

Details to follow







Lower School RISTMA Games! Disco. Film! 5TH DEC MAIN HALL 4PM-6PM

YEARS 7-9 ARE INUITED TO ATTEND

PLEASE CONTRIBUTE DRINKS AND NUT-FREE SNACKS ON THE DAY!!





Reminder STUDENT & PARENT

SATISFACTION SURVEYS

Thank you to those who have completed the Student and Parent Surveys. If you have not already done so, please can we ask you to kindly complete this below. This in-depth piece of research helps us gauge your satisfaction, which will ultimately help us manage and improve our school. To complete the survey please click the following links:

Students Survey:

https://my-api.guestrevuapp.com/api/v1/ kiosk/73fa012bb487484188db7401e269f2bb0ec5cf/en

Parents Survey:

https://my-api.guestrevuapp.com/api/v1/ kiosk/31763346b58e4cafa7eae81f698934f24b5a02/en

We highly value your feedback and suggestions bout improving the school, so we encourage you to take the time to complete this survey with honest and constructive responses.

Please note that the surveys will be available until Sunday 26th November.

Many thanks in advance for your support,

Mr Bradbury Head





















ACT, OF ONE,

At Portland Place School we look out for each other and succeed by being kind - this way we create a cycle of positivity and generosity.

Here are a few ideas about how students can spread kindness outside of school as well. Whether it is cheering up a friend or sharing a snack, each act has the power to make a meaningful difference in someone's day or life.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Ms Florea



Give a flower Eat lunch with someone new Listen with your heart Visit a sick friend clean a neighbor's walk Offer a hug Give an unexpected gift Make a new friend Pick up litter Say "hello" Open a door Plant a tree Help carry a load Share a snack Cheer up a friend Thank a teacher or mentor Read to a young child Lend a hand Do a kind act daily Leave a thank you note Offer your seat Cycle courteously BE TOLERANT Let another go first Bake cookies to share Give a compliment Help a student make friends Donate your gently used items Give a balloon away Lend a pencil Respect others Celebrate something new every day Do a favor Encourage a friend Use a reusable water bottle Walk a dog Forgive mistakes Smile at someone







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Dear Parents & Carers,

The Student Council are delighted to announce that they have organised a Mufti Day on Wednesday 29th November in aid of Children in Need. They voted overwhelmingly to support this cause which helps make a difference to the lives of children and young people in communities across the UK where it is needed most.

To support this brilliant initiative and allow your child to wear non-uniform on the day, please donate £2.00 via Parent Pay www.parentpay.com. As we are a cash free school, all donations need to be given this way - please do not bring cash on the day as it will not be possible to accept it. Any issues with accessing your ParentPay account, please do contact vicki.bromley@portland-place.co.uk who will assist you.

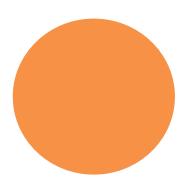
Thank you to the parents/carers, the School Council and the whole school community for continuing to make Portland Place School the wonderful place it is.

















HOUSE 'HARVEST HAMPER' COLLECTION

Over the next few weeks the Student Leadership team are collecting items for a House Hamper competition.

It is the time of year where we spend time with our families eating food and celebrating each other. Unfortunately not everyone can celebrate in the same way, so the Student Leadership team are asking you to donate to those who are in need at this time.

Donations can include non-perishable items of food (tins, tea, coffee, UHT milk, long-life juice, pasta sauce, jams and spreads) and non-food items such as nappies, shower gel, deodorant and shampoo.

Items and hampers will be donated to local food banks.

Please drop your donations to Mr Lee in the Science office in GPS 2nd Floor so he can record your name, items and House to allocate your points!

Last day for donations is **Tuesday 12th December.**









Student Council Update

In our second Student Council meeting of the year, we looked into issues surrounding the lunch time queue, walk overs, school uniform and PE kit, along with charity initiatives for this time of the year.

Feedback from last week:

- Any students that register in PPS and need a locker, bring in your own padlock and go and see Gary who will allocate one for you.
- Packed lunches that are available if you have a club during lunch time, you
 will need to ask your member of staff running the club to preorder this for
 you.
- Female hygiene products are available from Gary or Gail if ever needed.
- Mufti-day for Children in Need will be on Wednesday 29th November, a £2 donation via Parent Pay for wearing your non-uniform clothes.
- House Harvest Hamper collection of non-perishable items to be donated to local foodbanks. Deadline for donations 12th December. Donations to be dropped to Mr Lee in the Science office in GPS 2nd Floor and he will allocate house points.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please speak to any of the Student Council members or Year 11 Senior Prefects. Remember, too, that there is a Suggestions Box in the main office where you can post your ideas.

Keep up the great work!

Mr Lee

























Portland Place Hybrid School

Dear All,

As you may be aware, the **Good Schools Guide** visited the **Portland Place Hybrid School** last month to see it in action.

Their review has now been published and shows how impressed they were overall.

A few highlights:

"We love it when schools think outside the box – and this one has done so magnificently."

"This school's Hybrid model is truly inspiring"

Thanks to everyone who helped and supported the visit, especially Ms Baig for bringing her characteristic energy and passion.

Mrs Wantman

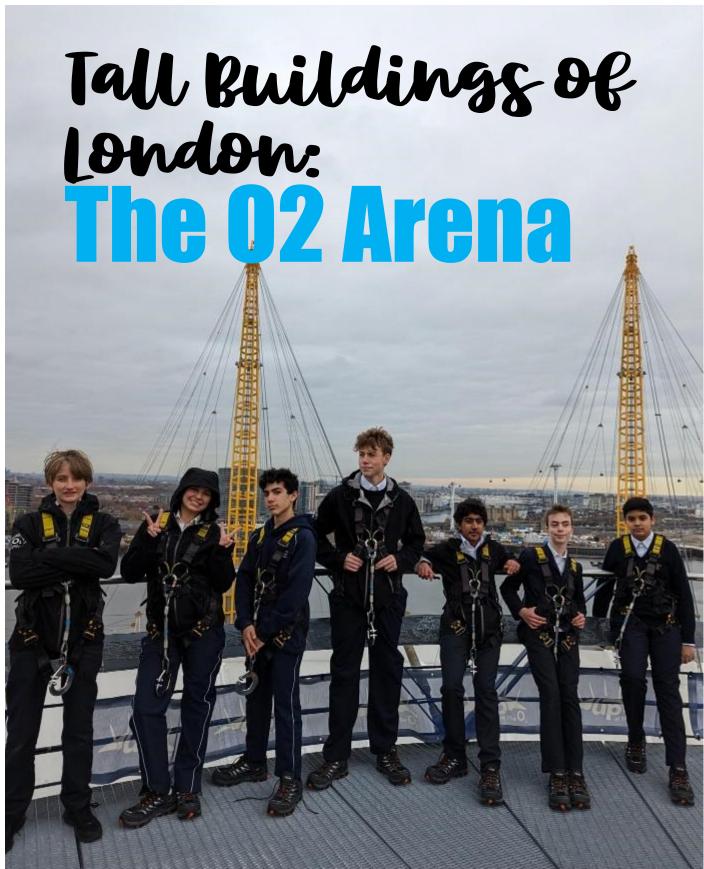












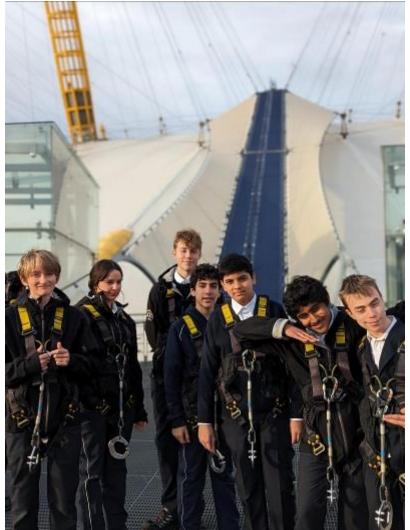




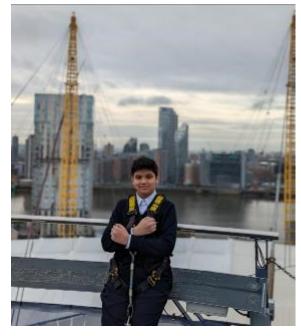
This week, our group of students climbed up and over at the O2! Years of training at activities week finally paid off as we climbed the arena, in a line, attached to a harness onto a giant wire. It was hard to resist bouncing on the arena as it felt like being on a trampoline and was such an impressive experience. We learned that the O2 Arena was built in the same axis as the Meridian in Greenwich, had 12 poles to support it like the 12 months of the year, was 52 metres high like the 52 weeks of the year and was 365 metres long like the 365 days of the year. Once at the top, we learned about the architecture of all the buildings around us but sadly also heard that had just missed 50 Cents and Ed Sheeran who had played at the arena the night before! It didn't matter as we can all say now that we have conquered the O2 Arena! Mr Lalande

















THE WALL OF KINDNESS

Sam Y11 wants to thank George Y11 for his

generous gift of a phone!

A huge thank you to all of our student tour guides who helped lead tours at Thursday's open event. Thanks, too, to our fantastic pianists who also joined us and played beautifully. Ms Wild

Maya L for her mature; empathetic and caring attitude towards first day last week. Ms O'Leary

Thank you to Angelica for giving Gary some excellent advice about desk organisation!

To Paula and Maryana who
both radiate warmth kindness
and for the friendship that
and for the friendship that
they have built with Amaia f
they wonderful to see how
happy it makes Amaia. Ms
o'Leary

Thank you to Amelia (Hybrid Y9) who leant me money when I needed it! (Alex Z Y9)

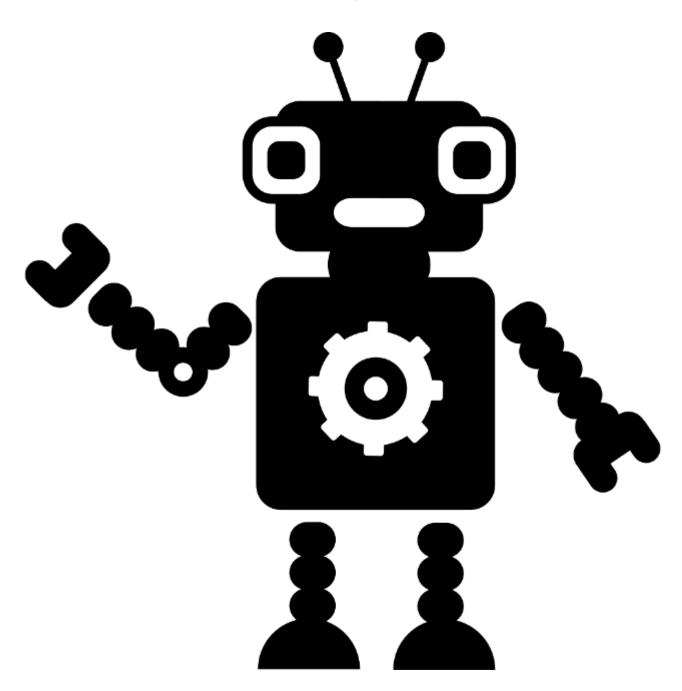
Thank you to Max in Year 7 who went out of his way to open a door for me this morning, this was very much appreciated.

Ms Boyce





ROBOTICS ENRICHMENT







Robotics is in full swing! Now that the boys have built their clawbots, competitions are under way:

Competition 1: Defend the Castle

In this competition, teams each chose a home base (castle) around the room. At the end of 10 minutes, the team with the most blocks at their "castle"- won! As they were collecting blocks, they were also free to steal blocks from other castles and even demolish castles! With a stealthy castle placement and some precise robot manoeuvring, Maxwell came out on top!

Competition 2: Claw Coding

In this challenge, students used their programming skills to program their robots. They competed without the use of controllers. A block was set in the middle of their home bases and teams needed to measure the distance for their programs. Teams competed at the same time. The team who retrieved the bot three times were declared winners. It was a narrow victory for Towa and Neak!

Competition 3: Cup Stack Wars

In a tournament style competition, teams were pitted head to head in a four team draw. The first draw was Towa & Neak vs. Maxwell. It was a hard fought battle, but Towa & Neak came out victorious by a fraction of a second. In the second draw, the well practiced Will beat Haofeng. Haofeng came third, and in the final, Will was the victor in a narrow win against Towa and Neak.

Ms McBain

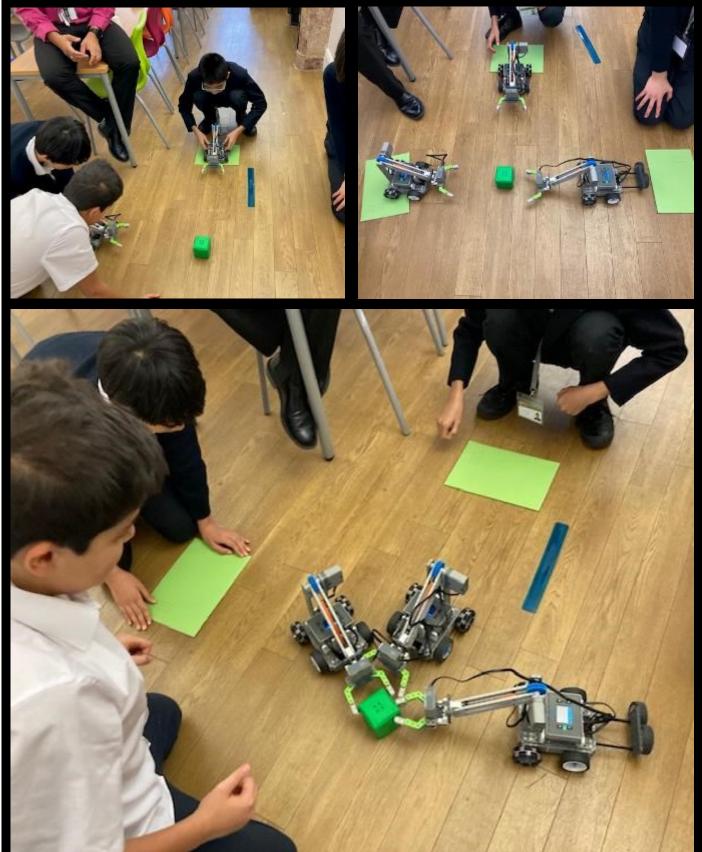






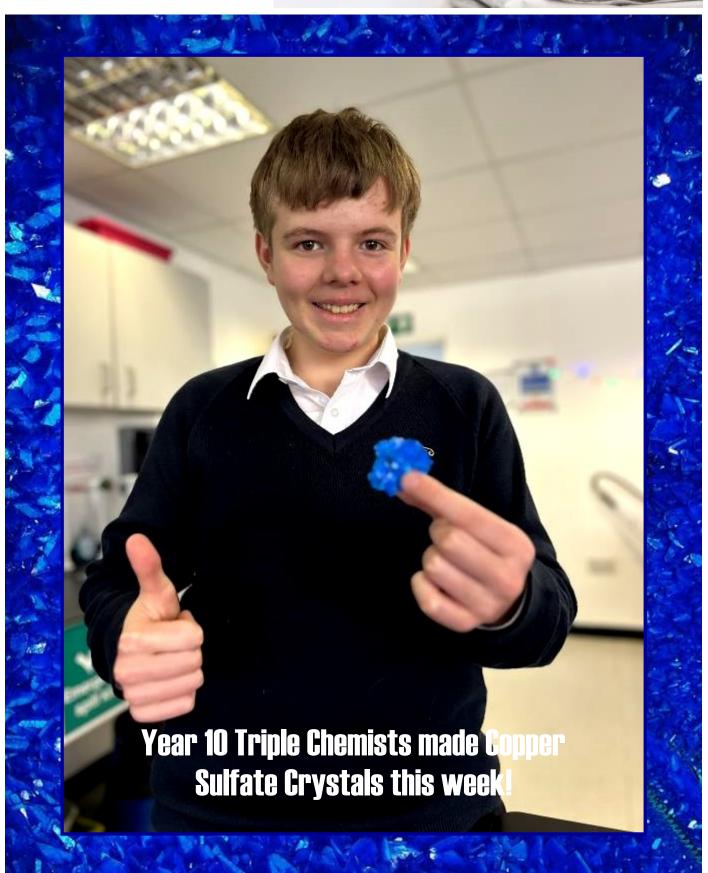












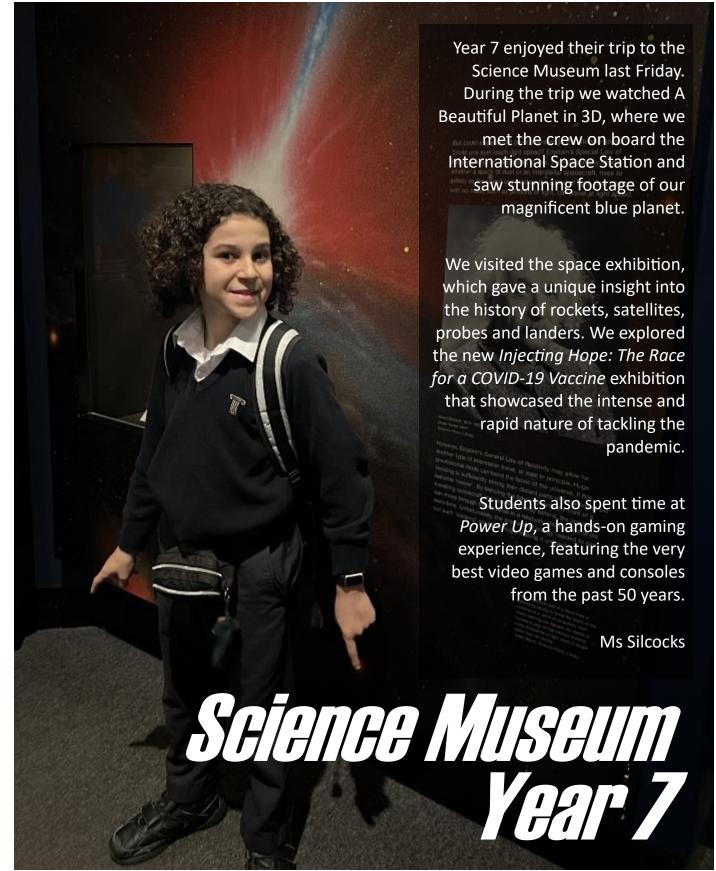






















Art



Huxley Year 11







"I've decided to research the artist Song Wen Zhi because I wanted to make my work based on Chinese culture. I chose this art style because I feel it fits well with the 'portal' theme. One thing I really like about Song Wen Zhi's art style is the colouring. I like how it is mainly simple colours such as black and white then decorated with bright colours."







ISA London North Cross Country Championships

Last Thursday the annual London North qualifier for the independent schools' national cross-country finals was held at the aptly named Abbot's Hill school in Hemel Hempstead. The course is a demanding one with barely a flat spot to be found and some very long and challenging climbs.

Portland's runners were first involved in the Year 8&9 race which was roughly 3.5km long. **Spike** was our best finisher, coming home 7th and claiming a qualification spot to represent London North in the national finals in March. His brother **Dexter** ran a superb second half of the race, coming from around 24th to move past many runners to eventually finish 15th. Year 8's **Ted** showed real grit to place a creditable 43rd against mostly Year 9 runners. He will have the opportunity to come back next year and compete in the same age group.

In the senior race **Sonny** and **Tec** were faced with a 4.5km course. The ground was fairly dry and not as muddy as expected, making the pace on the downhill sections extremely fast. Sonny made a measured start but moved through the field on the first circuit to sit in 6th, where he remained for all three 1.5km laps. He too received his invite for the nationals and was very pleased with his 17:55 clocking. Tec stuck to his task very well, showing great staying-power and eventually coming home in 20th.

All our runners did great credit to themselves and the school, and it's great to have two runners qualified for the national finals. Congratulations to Sonny and Spike! With over three months before the race, they have plenty of time to get some training in!











Finn and Oisin Selected for **ISA National Swimming Finals** The London North region did not host an area swimming gala this year and as in previous years elected to run an online qualification with swimmers invited to submit their best race times in order to gain selection. Year 7's Oisin has been selected for the 50m backstroke and freestyle, whilst Finn, in Year 11, has been picked for the 100m freestyle relay. Massive congratulations to both boys who will get the chance to compete at the Olympic pool in Stratford next Friday! Good luck!





U14 Football vs Thames Christian College

With the abundant rainfall of late, the large hybrid pitch was the only playable surface at Regent's Park last Friday afternoon as Portland's Year 9's welcomed Thames Christian College for an entertaining and somewhat nail-biting match. Portland dominated possession for much of the game, though their attacks were continually thwarted by a particularly fast and strong defender who had some tremendous tussles with our striker, **Humphrey**. Despite some good early play, Portland conceded quite early on after a blocked shot rebounded to the attacker who struck a second time as Portland's defence failed to close him down, and the ball slipped past the diving **Dexter** in goal. PPS were awarded a penalty mid-way through the half, which their keeper saved, diving to his left.

PPS began to lose their way as the first half drew to a close. Although Humphrey continued to cause problems for the TCC defence, PPS were not retaining possession and had to rely on some sharp defending from **Harrison** and **Eddie**. **Henry** and **Mohammed** looked sharp and dealt with TCC's attacking play very well. At half time, Mr Steward made a few changes and the team's new shape started to pay dividend. **Tom** came into the midfield and provided a steadying influence, passing to feet and linking up nicely with **Spike**, who was starting to turn the screw on the tiring Thames XI.

Oba moved up front, with Humphrey brought back to an attacking midfield role. He chased down a few balls, harassing the Thames goalkeeper and defenders and was eventually rewarded with a loose ball in the area which he latched onto and fired confidently past the keeper. Oba was thrilled to score his first goal for the school and PPS were now determined to press for the winner. With time to spare, the game really opened-up and it was Thames who came closest to finding the winner with a goal-mouth scramble which was eventually cleared after PPS had come perilously close to conceding.

The match finished 1-1 and Portland had to be satisfied with a draw. It had begun to look like they might not find the equaliser, but the players showed an excellent response to the change in tactics in the second half and didn't allow themselves to panic. Well done to all that played.

Man of the match: Eddie





U12 Football vs Maida Vale PPS 6 v 6 Maida Vale

On a wintery afternoon at Regents Park, PPS u12's took on Maida Vale School in an extremely entertaining game of football. PPS started well, with the majority of the game being played in Maida Vale's half. PPS's high pressing was forcing Maida Vale into mistakes. PPS took the lead through **Jacob** who hit a spectacular long-range effort into the back of the net. This seemed to spark Maida Vale into life, and they scored a quick equaliser when PPS were caught on the counter attack. Maida Vale grew in confidence and found another goal quickly. PPS started to lose focus and were guilty of some disappointing marking, this resulted in further goals from Vale and a disappointing end to the half for PPS. The score was 4-1 to Maida Vale at half time.

PPS knew they were not out of the game and that it was essential that they remained positive – but they must do their absolute best to try not to concede first! At the start of the second half it was clear PPS were up for the challenge. There was a new energy to PPS's play in both attack and defence and it wasn't long until PPS found the back of the net through **Joshua**, who showed great composure to round the keeper and find the target. Two minutes later he added a second with a similar finish to make it 4-3. The game evened out for a period but then **Joshua** scored another for his hatrick, from long range. It was 4-4 with 10 minutes to play! The final stages of the game were extremely entertaining; play was end-to-end and there were numerous shots on goal. Maida Vale took it to 5-4, PPS responded through **Roman**...Maida Vale took it to 6-5...PPS responded through **Joshua** (for his fourth goal!) to make it 6-6! In the final minute of the game PPS broke on the counter attack and **Roman** rifled a shot towards the top corner, it looked destined for the back of the net, but the Maida Vale keeper made the save of the game! 6-6 was the final score.





WHAT A GAME! PPS had an average first half but showed great character and quality in the second half to get themselves back into the game. Jacob was brilliant in defence, Millie and Beatrice both had fantastic all-round games and Roman worked his socks off! Player of the match has to go to Joshua who scored 4 and had a massive impact on the game!

Well done PPS u12's!











It was a tough day at the office for the Portland Place U13 team, who couldn't wipe away those weekend blues and fell short against a fantastic Maida Vale side. On a small pitch with 8v8, PPS were hoping to cause some issues to an opponent that they had fought against a few weeks beforehand but it didn't all go to plan for the team.

After making a promising start where the midfield of **Nico** and **Enzo** created a number of opportunities for the attacking players, some fantastic goalkeeping kept **Zane** and **Dario** from scoring and taking the lead. There was no letting up from either team who continuously attacked each other's goals with **Neak** pulling off some cat-like saves to keep the score at 0-0. Portland kept Maida Vale out until 15 minutes into the game but as soon as the doors were bashed open, Maida Vale continued to slip goals into the PPS net.

The second half began completely differently to the end of the first. A strong start from both Nico and Mr Steward, saw the home team come out all gun's blazing, attacking the







Maida Vale goal at a rate of knots. It was only a matter of time until the net was rustling with a fantastic solo goal by Nico, who's silky footwork saw him turn defenders inside out before slipping the ball past the oncoming keeper. It seemed like the comeback was on and the U13's could feel it. It was a completely different game in the second half with Portland Place causing a lot more problems for their opposition. Zane, the lone striker, was forcing save after save and finally got his goal after a great ball from **Enzo** saw him clear on goal and he side footed the ball into the back of the net.

Portland Place were having their best period of the game and Nico was influential with this. The central midfielder started breaking at will and made the Maida Vale goalkeeper stay focused throughout the half, but he was unable to stop the Portland captain from slamming a hammer shot into the top corner.

Portland Place were unable to bring back the goal deficit, but the second half was a fantastic team performance that they can all be proud of







Next Week's Clubs & Fixtures

Mon 27th Nov: Year 9&10 House Football Tournament, Regent's Park, P3&4

Year 8 football vs Thames Christian College, Regent's Park,

2.00pm

Year 8&9 girls' football vs North Bridge House Canonbury,

Sobell Centre, 4.20pm

Football club, Westway, 3.50-5.40pm

Karate Club, PPS Hall, 4.00-5.00pm

Tue 28th Nov: Year 11 House Football Tournament, Regent's Park, 11.00am

Wed 29th Nov: GCSE PE Revision Club, G21, 1.10pm – 1.45pm

Year 11 football vs North Bridge House Canonbury, Regent's

Park, 2.00pm

Thu 30th Nov: Year 10 football vs lbstock Place, away, 2.00pm

Table tennis club, PPS Hall, 1.10-1.45pm,

Running Club, Regent's Park, 12.50-1.30pm

Weight Training Club, PPS changing rooms, 12.50-1.30pm

Basketball Club, Seymour Centre, 4-5.15pm

Fri 1st Dec: ISA National Swimming Finals, London Aquatics Centre,

Olympic Park, all day.





Enrichment — Second Half of Autumn Term 2023

Activity Staff		Room		
Additional Maths	πо	G21		
Climbing	AZE & LVW	Offsite—meet outside PP 13:30		
Digital Drawing	LDE & CHU	Art Room 1		
F45 Fitness	CBY & MJO	Offsite—meet outside PP 13:50		
Fencing	PZA & JVA	Change in PE at 1:50 then to PPH		
Final Cut Pro	SSA & SBI	G31		
Glee Club	CBO & AJU	Room 1		
Horse Riding	JWO & KOL	Offsite—meet in Dining Room		
London Zoo	ECO & FKH	Offiste—meet in Library 13:20		
Netball	ННА	Offsite—meet in PE corridor 13:50		
Polymer Clay	CFL & FSY	Room 35		
Robotics	MMC & RLE	Room 33		
Senior Football	SRI, JKU & LST	Offsite—meet in PE corridor 13:50		
Table Tennis	RAL & PLE	Drama Studio		
Table Top Gaming	DBL	Lab 1		
Tall Buildings of London	TLA & DFL	Offsite—meet in Library 13:50		
Velo Park	TTC,WBR & HSI	Offsite—meet outside GPS 13:00		
Yoga	MTH & KPA	Room 11		





Clubs for Autumn Term 2023

Day	Time	Activity	Staff	Location	Year Groups
Monday	12:50-13:15	Y11 Chemistry Revision	HSI	Science Lab 2	11
Monday	12:50-13:45	String Ensemble	R H'white	R2	All
Monday	12:50-13:45	Russian Club	PZA	В3	All
Monday	12:50-13:45	Italian Club	TLA	R23	All
Monday	12:50-13:45	Woodwind Ensemble	S Sarvamaa	R1	All
Monday	12:50-13:45	Mandarin	TLA	G34	All *
Monday	13:10-13:45	Table Tennis Club	PE	PP Hall	All
Monday	13:20-13:45	Board Games	DFL & ECO	R11	6 – 9
Monday	13:20-13:45	Business Studies Clinic	JMA	G21	10 & 11
Monday	16:00-17:00	Karate Club	PE	PP Hall	All
Monday	16:00-17:15	Football Club	PE	Regents Park	All
Monday	16:00-17:15	Netball Club	PE	Regents Park	All
Tuesday	12:50-13:50	GCSE Art Club (Hybrid only)	LDE	Art Studio 1	HS 10 & 11
Tuesday	12:50-13:15	Y11 Biology Revision	RLE	Science Lab 2	11
Tuesday	12:50-13:45	Spanish Club	CFL	G34	All
Tuesday	13:15-13:45	PPS Choir	SHI & CBO	R1	All
Tuesday	12:50-13:45	Guitar Group /Rock Band	DMC	R2	All
Tuesday	13:10-13:45	Speed Learning – GCSE Geographers	KOL	10	10 & 11
Tuesday	15:45-16:45	French Club	TLA & CFL	R36	All
Tuesday	16:00-17:00	Macbeth Rehearsals	RAL & AJU	Drama Studio	Invite only
Tuesday	16:00-17:00	Design Club	AVI & OLM	B1	All
Wednesday	08:00-08:30	Essay Building Skills	МТН	G33	10 & 11





** Art Scholarship holders must attend							
Wednesday	12:50-13:30	Y7 Haunted House Rehearsals	RAL	Drama Studio	7		
Wednesday	12:50-13:45	Music Theory Club	ZBO	R42	All		
Wednesday	12:50-13:50	GCSE Drama Club	AJU	Drama Studio	10 & 11		
Wednesday	12:50-13:45	Percussion Ensemble	J Morrison	R2	All		
Wednesday	13:10-13:45	GCSE PE Revision Club	PE	GPS tbc	10 & 11		
Thursday	12:50-13:20	Y 11 English Language Intervention	JWO	G22	Y11		
Thursday	12:50-13:40	Weight Training Club	PE	Changing Rooms	All		
Thursday	12:50-13:40	Running Club	PE	Regents Park	All		
Thursday	12:50-13:15	Y10 Science Revision (Combi & Triple)	FKH	Science Lab 2	10		
Thursday	12:50-13:50	GCSE Art Club	TMO	Art Studio 1	10 & 11		
Thursday	12:50-13:45	Digital Hub	SEN Dept	R33	All		
Thursday	12:50-13:15	Y11 Physics Revision	WBR	Science Lab 3	11		
Thursday	13:10-13:45	History Revision	PLE	G21	10 & 11		
Thursday	16:00-17:00	PPS Chamber Choir	СВО	R1	All by audition		
Thursday	16:00-17:00	Design Club	MJO & JVA	B1	All		
Thursday	16:00-17:15	Girls Basketball Club	PE	Church St Sport Centre	All		
Thursday	16:00-17:00	Art Club	TMO & LDE	Art 1 & 2	Invite only **		
Friday	08:00-08:30	Geography Revision	EWE	10	11		
Friday	08:30-09:00	LGBT+ Club	TLA	R23	All		
Friday	12:50-13:45	Brass Ensemble	W Brown	R2	All		
Friday	12:50-13:45	Japanese	TLA	G34	All*		
Friday	12:50-13:30	Y10 Science Revision (Combi & Triple)	DBL	Science Lab 1	10		



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