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#### October 2020 Newsletter 2

Dates for your diary:

1st October

National Poetry Day

2<sup>nd</sup> October

Mrs Thompson to start maternity leave

21st October
Flu vaccinations

#### 23<sup>rd</sup> October

Break up for October half term holiday

October Black History

Month

#### National Poetry Day

Today is National Poetry Day, your child will be doing some exciting work in class to celebrate this day.

#### **Black History Month**

Our children will be looking at different historical figures for Black History month during October. These include; Rosa Parks, Bessie Coleman, Martin Luther King, Nelson Mandela, Mary Seacole and Harriet Tubman.

We plan to show case some of their work after the half term holiday on Twitter and on our website.

# Drop off /Pick up

Please remember to **social distance** at the gates by waiting in line if there are a lot of parents waiting at the gate at the end of the day. In order to minimise contact please also arrive at school at your child's allocated time. Children who have siblings need to arrive at the earlier start time and leave at the earlier finish time.

# Road Safety

Please do <u>NOT</u> drive down Pomona Street in front of the school gates. We want our children to be safe when they leave school at the end of the day. Please park your car further away and walk. Do not let your children wander out on to the road, you

must keep them safe once they leave the school gates.

# Mrs Thompson

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, Mrs Thompson will be leaving Year 1 on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, earlier than planned, to start her maternity leave. We are currently in the process of recruiting a teacher to replace her and I hope to have someone in post within the next two weeks. I would like to wish Mrs Thompson all the best and we can't wait to meet her new baby.

# **Contacting school**

I would like to repeat the message that parents are very welcome to phone the office or email school, if they have any issues or messages for teaching staff. It is not always easy to communicate at the school gate and staff will reply and resolve any issues. (2662132) enquiries@portercroft.sheffield.sch.uk

# Hot sandwiches/wraps

Starting from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October we will be able to offer pupils a hot sandwich at lunchtime.

#### **Parents Evenings**

You should have received a brief report about how your child is settling back into



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school and a letter to book a phone call with your child's teacher. Please return the letter by the 7<sup>th</sup> October. Thank you.

## Flu Vaccines

Please use the online link to give consent for your child to have the vaccine.

<a href="https://www.nhsimms.uk/FLU/information?lg">https://www.nhsimms.uk/FLU/information?lg</a>
d=139986&Type=FLU

This link will close on 14<sup>th</sup> October. If you have any problems accessing the link please telephone 0333 358 3397 (opt 7).

Thank you Cath Thomas Headteacher



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