



Newsletter- Monday 4th January 2021



CONGRATULATIONS FROM THE QUEEN!

Mrs. O'Brien, who was Executive Head at Portland when we joined the Spencer Academies Trust in 2013, was named in the New Year's honours list and awarded an OBE for services to Education. This is an amazing achievement! We are very proud of her and her contribution to Portland and other schools in the Trust. This shows the quality of work we are all involved in. She often visits us and continues to push us to achieve the very best we can—and now we can say congratulations for her ASPIRE attitude too!



PLEASE DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO
SCHOOL IF THEY OR A MEMBER OF THEIR
HOUSEHOLD HAVE THE ABOVE SYMPTOMS

COVID-19 update

I know you will join me in wishing that this situation would just go away, but it isn't and, like me, I'm sure you are very worried about the rising numbers and the impact upon our children and our families. My heart goes out to those badly affected already and I'm afraid the next few months are going to test us further. The one thing we have is each other and it is together that we will approach things.

Currently we are fully open and operating under the guidance, with as many safety measures in place as possible. We constantly check and review our practice—making sure the children, their safety and learning is at the heart of everything we do.

We do not find out any information before you do but will always act as quickly as we can to ensure you have the information you need as fast as possible.

To help us plan for all contingencies, we will be sending out a form that we really need you to complete for each of your children that attend Portland so we can ensure the plan we put in place, if needed is the right one for your children and for you.

Watch this space and as ever—if you have any questions please ask.