

# Porter Academy Weekly Newsletter

Wednesday March 8, 2017

## Quick Reminders:

- NO SCHOOL tomorrow (closed for illness) or Friday (planned holiday)
- Report cards coming home today—please sign and return one of the copies
- Please turn in your Great Kindness Challenge forms if your child completed any of the tasks
- Registration for Summer Camp 2017 is now open.

## Message from Ms. Lynn

Thank you for everyone's understanding and flexibility about the unexpected day off of school tomorrow. We understand that this can cause difficulties, but we felt it was in the best interest of all the students (as well as their families) to do everything we can to eradicate the germs that have found their way into our school. While we have been working hard to disinfect throughout the day and our cleaning company has been working extra hard to disinfect each night, our efforts have not been sufficient to stop the spread of germs this week. So we are closing school tomorrow to 1) allow time for all of us to be separate from each other as we recover from illness and 2) provide time for the cleaning company to do two consecutive deep hospital-grade cleaning.

Hopefully this will give us a fresh start with a healthy school on Monday. Please do your part in keeping our school a healthy place next week by keeping your child home for 24 hours after symptoms have stopped (without the aid of medications): fever, vomiting, diarrhea, sore throat, or severe coughing or congestion; any cough or congestion should be minimal and mucous should be clear before returning to school.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we try to get our community back up and running at 100%.

## Important Dates

- Mar 9:** No School—closed for illness
- Mar 10:** Inclement Weather Day
- Apr 3-7:** No School—Spring Break
- Apr 28:** No School—Teacher Work Day
- May 8-9:** Lower School Conferences; No School for Lower School Students
- May 10:** Field Day
- May 11:** Upper School Conferences; No School for Upper School Students
- May 25:** Last Day of School; 1:00 Dismissal (No Afterschool)
- May 25, 30, 31:** Teacher Work Days

## Dental Show—Lower School

Students in our Lower School thoroughly enjoyed a puppet show about dental hygiene presented by the tooth fairy last week! Who knew learning about dental hygiene could be so entertaining?



The Character Education trait for March is Responsibility: "I will do what is right, even when I don't feel like it."