

Porter Academy Weekly Newsletter

Wednesday April 19, 2017

Quick Reminders:

- Field Trip this Friday—please wear a Porter Academy shirt and pack a completely disposable snack and lunch
- Contracts for the 2017-2018 school are due
- If you are not returning next year, please contact Pam to settle your account
- Registration for Summer Camp 2017 is open
- Spirit Day April 27—"Take me out to the ballgame" theme
- Yard Sale donations wanted—please bring donations to library before/after carpool—donations are tax deductible
- Year end performances: Lower School May 23 @ 9:30, Upper School May 24 @ 9:30
- May 25—Last day of school, 1:00 release, no afterschool available
- Last day of iLs will be April 27
- Last day of Fast ForWord will be May 5

Message from Ms. Lynn

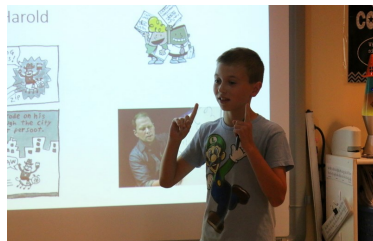
It always feels like this time of year is especially action-packed, and this past week was no exception!

We had our upper school students complete their "You're the teacher" projects, which are always well done and engaging for the whole class. They select something of special interest to them and present on that topic. Some students taught their classmates about a musical instrument and demonstrated how to play it, one student brought in his dirt bike and shared lots of information about them, and another student created a beautiful presentation about trains. It's great learning more about the students' passions as well as seeing them successfully step up to a leadership role.

Our Lower School students enjoyed an Easter Egg hunt on Friday, during which they searched for the eggs with their names written on them that were scattered around the playground. They had a lot of fun searching as well as discovering the goodies hidden inside the eggs.

All of our students enjoyed Frisbee Day, in which they played Frisbee golf, Frisbee bowling, Frisbee soccer, Frisbee drawing, and giant Frisbee distance contests. It was a beautiful day to be outside and celebrate life, nature, friendship, and fun!

Please Like us on Facebook to see more photos of the excitement.



Important Dates

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

Summer Camp

June 12-16: Jurassic Park

June 19-23: Pete the Cat

June 26-30: Astronaut Adventure

July 3-7 (no 4th): Wild Wild West

July 10-14: Rainforest Romp

The Character Education trait for April is Perseverance—

"I will do my best, even when things get tough."

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Student Contracts

Please return your contract for 2017-2018 as soon as possible. If you have any questions regarding our program, please contact Barbara Richard (brichard@porteracademy.org). If you have any questions about finances, please contact Pam Higginbotham (phigginbotham@porteracademy.org). If you are planning on attending a different school next year, please let Barbara Richard know so we can do everything possible to facilitate a successful transition.

Annual Fund

Please help us reach 100% participation in our Annual Fund campaign! We cannot do it without you. Remember, your participation is more important than the amount you donate. We are applying for grants, and these groups want to see that we have full internal support as evidenced by 100% of families, staff, and board members donating something to the annual fund. You may donate by sending in a check with Annual Fund written on the memo line, stopping in to see Pam, or clicking the "donate" button on our website to donate through Pay Pal. You can specify "annual fund" by clicking the "add a message for sender" link on the Pay Pal donation page. Thank you for your support!

Summer Camp

Testing shows that many students lose academic skills over Summer Break. Our goal with Porter Academy Summer Camp is to prevent that from happening while providing a fun summer day camp experience. ***Our program is appropriate for children Pre-Kindergarten through fourth grade***, and offers integrated cross-curricular thematic units. Academics are integrated into fun activities, as well as taught in a more formal small-group setting each day. Activities integrate reading and math with science, social studies, art, social skills, and cooperative games. Students also receive occupational therapy and music therapy twice a week. Our program is further enhanced by in-school enrichment activities provided by outside professionals such as a juggler, a magician, and Party Animals Atlanta. There are Morning Session (9:00-12:30) and Full Day options, with the morning focusing on academics. Students are completely immersed in one theme each week. The 2017 session dates and themes are:

- Week 1 June 12-16.....Jurassic Park
- Week 2 June 19-23.....Pete the Cat
- Week 3 June 26-30.....Astronaut Adventure
- Week 4 July 3-7 (not July 4).....Wild Wild West
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