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You're Invited! Join Us for a Special Intergenerational Lantern Decorating Workshop 🧠 ✨

Dear Family Member,

We would love to invite you to join us for a fun, creative community art project! We are hosting two hands-on lantern decorating workshops to create artwork for Portsmouth's spectacular citywide **'We Shine Community' Light Festival**.

Who Should Join?

This special intergenerational project is **now open for children to work with any member of your family**. It's a wonderful opportunity to build lasting memories across generations! *(Please note: whilst extended family members are prioritised, parents are also very welcome to attend)*. Due to space, we will have to limit to 2 family members only.

Meet the Artist!

We are thrilled to share that we will be working alongside Winniemay, one of the talented local artists from **Art Up (Portsmouth)** - the organisation behind LOOKUP Portsmouth! You may recognise her as one of the artists who ran the spray paint workshop last summer and who produced one of the vibrant murals as you enter Sundridge Close.

About the Event in Victoria Park & Citywide

Portsmouth is set to glow this November as the free citywide festival returns from **19th – 21st November 2026**.

- **Citywide Celebrations:** 'We Shine Community' brings three days of free light art, interactive displays, and live performances to communities across the city.
- **Victoria Park Transformation:** Art Up CIC will take over Victoria Park, transforming it into an exciting, immersive experience combining light installations, visual art, and performance.
- **Your Artwork on Display:** All the lanterns decorated during our workshops will be installed right in Victoria Park, so you and your family can visit during the festival weekend to see your creations glowing together!

Workshop Details & How to Book

Both sessions are **completely FREE** and all materials will be provided. No artistic experience is required!

- **Session 1:** Wednesday, 4th November 9:00 am – 11:00 am
- **Session 2:** Monday, 9th November 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
- **Location:** Portsdown Primary School

⚠ Limited Spaces (20 per session):

To ensure everyone has enough room and guidance, each workshop is strictly limited to **20 spaces**.

Spaces will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. If a session fills up, we will place you on a **waiting list** and get back to the organisers to see if we can accommodate extra places.

RSVP

Please let us know which session you would like to attend by completing the Google Form:

<https://forms.gle/NUiYEudqdGB1VZQv9>

To find out more about the overall light festival, visit weshineportsmouth.co.uk

We look forward to creating something beautiful together!

Warmest wishes,

Mr A Vaghela, Headteacher

