



A taste of Portsmouth

Could your favourite recipe feature in our cookbook to celebrate the rich cultural diversity of Portsmouth?

Dear parents, carers and families,

In a joint initiative with the Portsmouth, City of Languages initiative, the Solent Language Hub and the University of Portsmouth, we are inviting the different education settings in the city to take part in 'A Week of Celebrating Languages in Portsmouth' (17 – 21 March 2025), organising activities to recognise the linguistic and cultural heritages of learners.

An exciting way to learn about different nations and their customs is, of course, through the food that is special to those places. Many of us will remember a dish from our family traditions or travels or be able to name a meal that reminds us of our childhood or that we look forward to eating during family reunions or celebrations.

We would like to invite you to share with us those recipes of traditional dishes so that we can compile a 'Taste of Portsmouth' recipe booklet, which will give a true flavour of the cultural richness and diversity of our communities. We hope to launch our creation during the *Celebrating Languages in Portsmouth Week*.

Those recipes can be something that you have to jot down on a piece of paper as you do it without thinking, it can be taken from your favourite recipe book that you use and re-use every family reunion, or it can be your favourite recipe from another family member, or it can be your child's favourite traditional dish.

Please send us a copy of your favourite recipe (or more than one if you can't choose!), possibly with pictures, and with details of the country it originates from, **by 14 February 2025** and have a chance to see your choice featured in our recipe book. *(Do let us know if you are happy for your name to appear or if you would prefer for your dish to be included anonymously.)*

Please send your recipe to either of the following email addresses:

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