



**PORTWAY
JUNIOR SCHOOL**

Start the Year Meeting

Year 3 and 4

2026/2027

 **POSITIVITY RESILIENCE INTEGRITY DEDICATION ENCOURAGEMENT**

Meet the Year Leaders



Year 3 Year Leader

Miss Gabrielle Carter



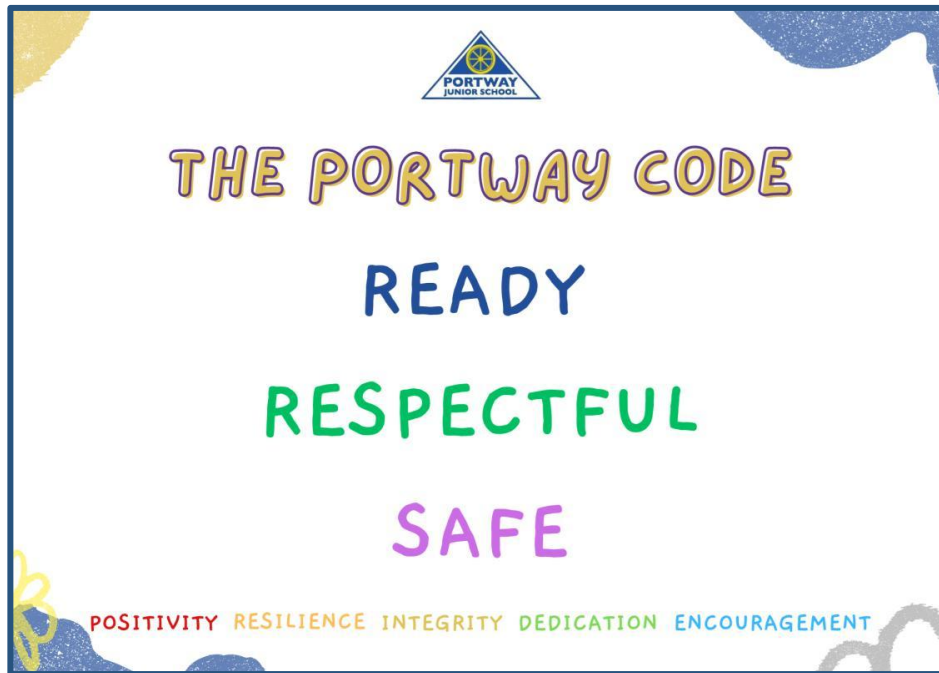
Year 4 Year Leader

Mrs Kirsty Brewer



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Portway Code



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Portway Values

Positivity

Resilience

Integrity

Dedication

Encouragement



Certificates are awarded to children in celebration assembly who demonstrate the Portway Values

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Portway Uniform



Portway jumper/fleece /
cardigan (or plain blue)

Portway polo (or
plain light blue)

Stud earrings only

No smart watches

Grey trousers or skirt

Black school shoes
(not trainers)



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Portway PE Uniform

Year 3 - Wednesday and Friday

Year 4 - Tuesday and Thursday



Portway PE t-shirt or light blue t-shirt (not branded)

Hair tie for long hair (and earring tape)

Black or white trainers

Dark blue or black shorts/tracksuit (not branded)

No earrings (taped if can't remove)



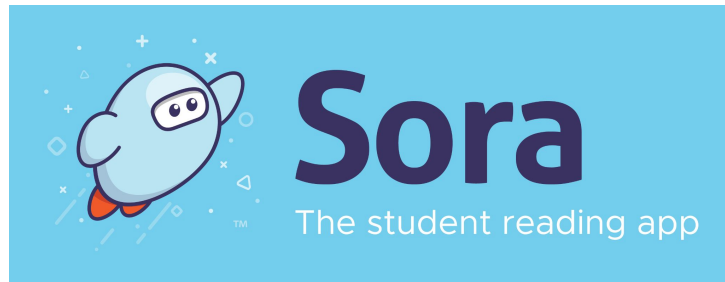
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Reading at Portway

SORA app

Search, add Portway Junior School and child's email address.

Lots of online books, audio books and magazines too!



Our NEW home reading initiative

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Year 3



Year 4



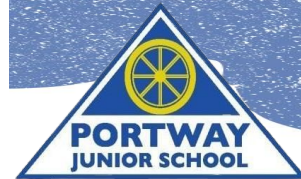
Year 5



Year 6

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Each time you read, record the date, title of the book and the page numbers. An adult (parent or school staff) must sign each time you read.



Date	Title / page numbers	Comment / adult signature
04.09.25	Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone - pages 21-33	Read aloud to mum 
05.09.25	Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone - pages 33-45	Read independently 
05.09.25	Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone - pages 45-54	Read to Mr Bissell at schc 

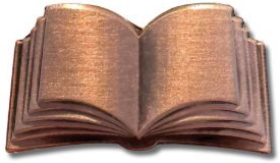
Today's date

Name of the book
you're reading and the
pages that you read

Short parent comment
and signature

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When you achieve a target number of reads, you will be presented with a badge in celebration assembly...



50 reads = bronze badge



100 reads = silver badge



200 reads = gold badge

**READING
AMBASSADOR**

300 reads = reading ambassador badge



Year 3



Year 5



Year 4



Year 6

Spelling at Portway

Our approach to spelling is using:

sounds & syllables
the sensible spelling system

We will dedicate time to the teaching of spelling in school - it will be taught 5 times every week.

Children will learn statutory words and be taught a wide range of spelling rules using the Sound & Syllables method.

A parent workshop will go into this in more detail on
Tuesday 15th September (5:00-5:30)

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Lower School Homework

All homework will be set and due in on a Monday:

Monday	Reading book and Times Tables.	Maths or Reading to consolidate learning.	Spellings
Tuesday	Reading book and Times Tables.		
Wednesday	Reading book and Times Tables.		
Thursday	Reading book and Times Tables.		
Friday	Reading book and Times Tables.		

Year 3 will gradually build up to this expectation. See termly leaflet.
A homework club will be run every Friday lunchtime in year groups.

Lower School Homework



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Pencil Cases

Each child will be given a pencil case, and they are responsible for looking after it as part of learning care and respect for their belongings.



Items will be replenished every term.

Please do not bring fidgets to school.

Your teacher will provide focus items for children who need them.

Key Information

Classroom doors open at 8:45 - *please note any children in school before 08:35 will be asked to go to Breakfast Club*

Breakfast Club & Portway Plus

Clubs - will be with you in due course

Portway Press (every other Wednesday)

Paying online (Arbor)

Bags, lockers and water bottles



Year 4 remain in
the hall

Year 3 to Bat
Class

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Meet the Year 4 Team



Hare Class

**Mrs Kirsty
Brewer**
Year 4 Leader



Deer Class

**Miss Jasmine
Chambers**
Class teacher



Kite Class

**Miss Nicole
Muigui**
Class teacher



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Meet the Year 4 Team

**Mrs Williams
(HLTA)**



**Mrs
Christopher**



**Mrs
Hutchinson**



**Mrs
Odell**



**Miss
Huggins**



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Curriculum

History: Romans, Ancient Greeks

Geography: Happening Hampshire, Marine Life & Coral Reefs, Biomes & Climate

Science: Substances & Mixtures, Electrical Circuits, Living Things, Digestion & Teeth, Plant Reproduction

We also have regular PSHE, RE, French, Design Technology, Music, Art and PE lessons, covering a wide range of subjects in line with the National Curriculum
- just ask us if you'd like to know more!



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Termly leaflets



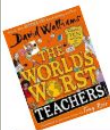
Portway Junior School Welcome to Year 4 - Our learning for Autumn 1

English Writing

Our first Learning Journey will use 'Leon and the Place Between' by Angela McAllister as our core text to teach children how to write detailed character and setting descriptions. In our second Learning Journey, the focus will shift to persuasive writing, using The World's Worst Teachers by David Walliams to inspire creativity and structure.

English Reading

Children will develop key reading skills - including inference, explanation, information retrieval, and vocabulary understanding - through the text The King Who Banned the Dark. They will then apply these skills to a variety of short stories from The World's Worst Teachers.



Homework Expectations

Read 4 times a week to an adult and record in reading record.
Practice times tables and spellings at home.
Complete homework task - this will alternate weekly between English and Maths.



Maths

Times tables - children should be confident with their 2,3,4,5,10 and 11 times tables. They will continue to learn the 6,7,8,9 and 12 times tables.

What we are learning this half term:

- Place value
- Addition and Subtraction (written methods)

Uniform



Please ensure all belongings are labelled.

No jewellery to be worn in school (small stud earrings only).

Foundation Subjects

Science - Mixtures and Separating them
PSHE - Being me in my world
PE - netball/orienteering
French - Les instruments
Geography - Happening Hampshire
Computing - The internet
RE - Ceremony
Music - Poetry Performance
Art - Watercolour and ink

PE days - Wednesday and Thursday



Year 4 Key Events

Parent Consultations

Tree Planting - this will be soon

Jungle Roadshow

School Photo Day

Roman Day

Ancient Greek Day

Sports Day

RESIDENTIAL - STUBBINGTON

Stubbington Study Centre

25th-27th January 2027



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