• Welcome to Portway Junior School.

















Miss Windross & Miss Simons have been HT & DHT since September 2022. **PRIDE**ofPortway

Proud of our school & our achievements 384 children (full!) Staff Parents

Governors Friends of Portway



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Pupils achieve well, as the school continues to raise expectations ... Pupils take pride in their learning & enjoy taking responsibilities within the school. ... Classrooms are settled & focused ... pupils are confident talking to staff about any concerns.

Children at the heart of all we focus on

School days happy, positive, successful & well prepared for their 'next step'.

My daughter has participated in a number of experiences that make her time at Portway truly exceptional. I wouldn't hesitate to send my child to the school in future.

My son has had amazing opportunities to build his confidence and learn many skills. These have been residentials, ukulele concerts, speaking to an audience, dressing up days, visits and visitors to make learning engaging. We couldn't be happier with the care and education both our children receive.

Strong partnerships - staff, children, parents, governors

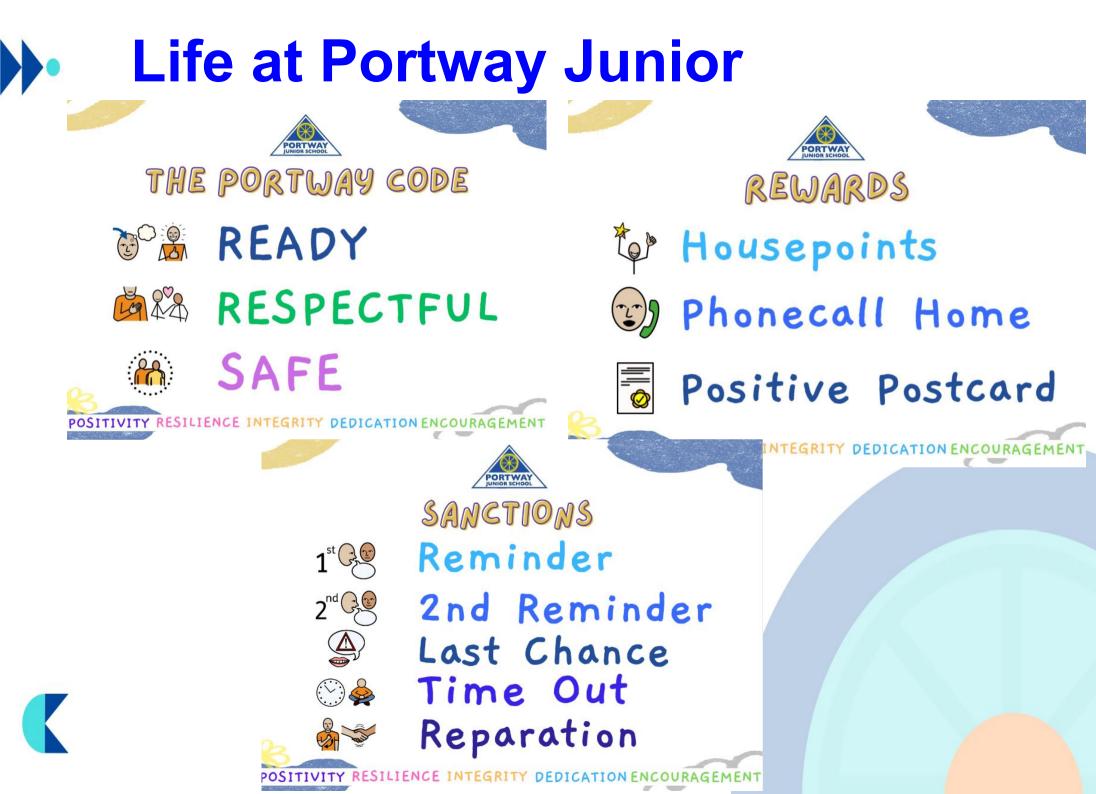
Life at Portway Junior

We are very proud of our school and work hard to develop a confidence and love of learning in all our children so that they achieve the best they can.



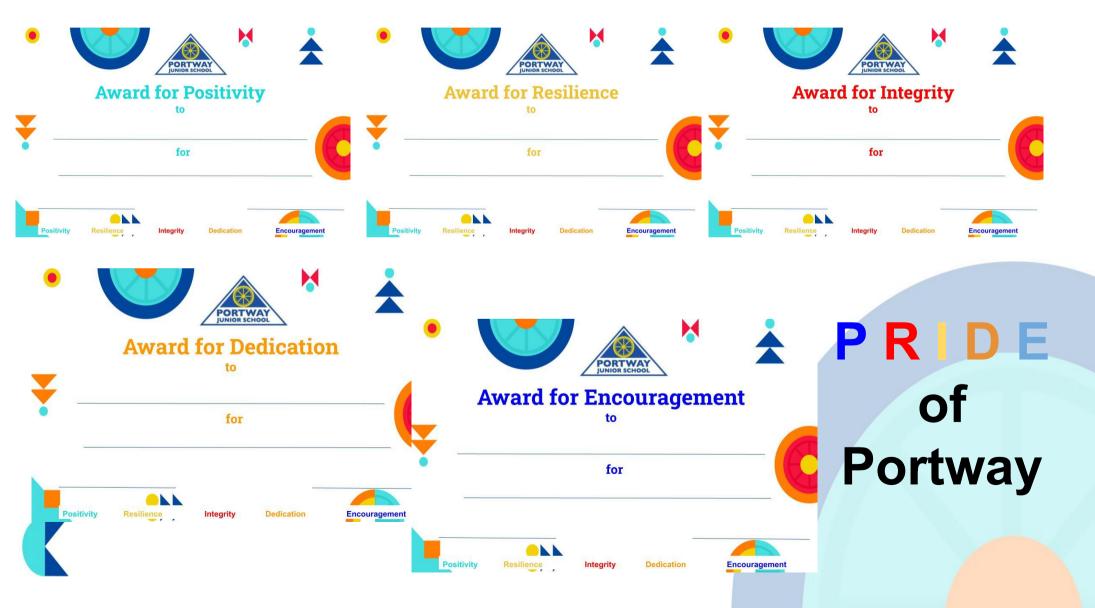
Behaviour and Learning Values

Our vision for Portway Junior School is to be the pride of our community; to enable great progress for every pupil through expert teaching and a broad and balanced curriculum that prepares our pupils well for their futures. Our aim is for our school community to be positive, resilient learners who behave with **integrity**, are **dedicated** to their learning and encouraging of others.



Life at Portway Junior

Certificates to celebrate our PRIDE Values







Teaching staff

Miss Carter



Mrs Knight



Mr Kirby



Support staff

Mrs Christopher Mrs Cavill Mrs Dinkele

Mrs Raithby



Inclusion Team



Mrs Norton - SENDCO

Mr Macdonald - Inclusion Officer

Miss Facey - Family Support Worker

Mrs Field - Thrive Practitioner

Mrs Clarke - TALA support worker

Forest School Teacher

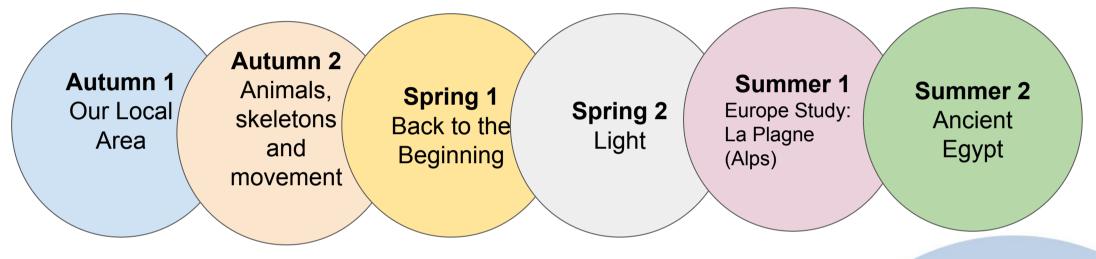
Mr Pearmain





Curriculum











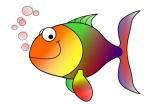
Year 4 - 2 nights topic based

Year 6 - 4 nights, adventure and teamwork focus

- To build confidence and develop self-esteem
- To develop resilience and perseverance
- To become more independent and secondary ready
- To have fun away from school, and stay away with friends and trusted adults
- Preparation for trips/opportunities in the future









Girls' School Uniform	
Winter Uniform	Summer Uniform
Black or grey skirt, pinafore dress or trousers	Blue and white summer dress (optional)
Pale blue polo shirt	
School sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece	
Black shoes & dark or white socks/tights	Black shoes & dark or white socks
Во	ys' School Uniform
Winter Uniform	Summer Uniform
Black or grey trousers	Black or grey short trousers (optional)
Pale blue polo shirt	Pale blue polo shirt
School sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece	School sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece
Black shoes & dark socks	Black shoes & dark socks
	PE Uniform
Pale blue round necked T-shirt	Royal blue PE shorts
	A tracksuit should be worn in winter - plain blue/black and
	for sport rather than fashion
Trainers or black plimsolls	
Long hair must be tied back	
For	rest School clothing
Long trousers and a long sleeved top	
Closed toes shoes and / or wellington boots or walking	shoes
Waterproof coat	

must be studs only and must be able to be removed (or covered with tape) for PE lessons. Necklaces, bracelets and other jewellery are not allowed.



Forest School and PE days



Communication

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Awards We are delighted to be able to share with you that recently we have been awarded the School Games Mark (at gold standard) and the Music Mark award. Our Sports Mark recognises our commitment to pupils' involvement in competitive sports across the school and further into our community. Our Music Mark award recognises our commitment to developing and providing music education as part of a broad and balanced curriculum, as well as our continuing strategy for providing musical opportunities for all pupils.



Both awards give us opportunities to engage with additional resources to continue to develop our provision and to access high quality training opportunities that will benefit our children. We are extremely proud of our achievements and pleased to be able to share them with you.

Hooke Court Today many of our Year 4 children, the Year 4 staff team, Miss Simons, Mrs Norton and a number of other staff left for a residential visit to Hooke Court. We know that everyone is going to have a marvellous time. We are hoping to be able to share some information and photos of the trip with you on our website so, please do have a look under the Year 4 tab or by clicking https://www.portwaviunior.co.uk/hooke-court-2023 Our Year 4s who have staved in school also have a good few days ahead of them and we're sure that they will have an update to share as well!

NSPCC We are pleased to be able to tell you that we are taking part in the NSPCC's 'Speak out Stay safe' programme this term. Accompanying the Portway Press is a detailed letter telling you what this includes and also sharing some resources and tips you may like to use at home.

The Safeguarding page on our website (www.portwayiunior.co.uk) also has information to support parents and this can be accessed via our website or by clicking the following link: Portway Safeguarding Page.

Christmas Dates Our Christmas Carol services dates are now confirmed and are below. Both services will be held in the school hall and will finish in time for the end of the school day. Our space in the hall is very limited so we will be exploring ways in which we can manage this, whilst still giving everyone the opportunity to attend.

Christmas Lunch is on 14 December, if you could please pre-order by 1st December by clicking HERE Children may also come to school in a Christmas jumper or Christmas outfit if they wish. If you don't have a Christmas jumper, then cheery clothing or a Christmas hat or headband will do.

PTA Christmas Events Our brilliant PTA are organising a Christmas bauble competition for all pupils to join in with, as well as a Christmas Raffle. The bauble information is attached with the Press on en and the raffle information will be coming home at a later date.

Open morning for Year 2 Parents - Friday 1 December at 9:00am. We are holding our usual Open Morning for parents of Year 2 pupils to come and visit us. Obviously most of the parents come from Portway Infant School but it is open to any Year 2 parents. If you know of anyone who would like to come along then please ask them to get in touch via the office.

Parents can apply online from 1 November for a Year 3 place using the link www.hants.gov.uk/admissions. Closing date for applications is 15 January 2024.

Part - Time Receptionist Vacancy We would like to appoint a receptionist to work as part of our friendly welcoming and busy school office. Hours are 9:00am - 2:00pm and the closing date for applications is 1.12.23. If you'd like to visit and find out more, please give us a call. Full details are on our website, see link here: Receptionist Vacancy

Invitation to Parents / Carers / Grandparents of Year 4 Year 4 would like to invite their parents and grandparents to join them on Friday 8th December at 3pm for a lantern parade in the hall as a finale of their DT project! See you there!

Resilience Encouragement

Fortnightly



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Home Learning

Read 4 times a week to

Portway Junior School Welcome to Year 3 - Our learning for Autumn 2

English Writing

In our first learning journey we will read 'The snow Leopard' by Jackie Morris to inspire us to write a narrative that includes a setting description. In the second learning journey, we will read 'The Adventure Club' by Jess Butterworth where we will write an interview and persuade people to protect red pandas.

Reading

We are using VIPERS to teach our reading skills. Each lesson focuses on a different VIPER skill as the children read a variety of different books and poems.

Upcoming events: 24.10.24 Break up for October holf term 25.10.24 - INSET 04.11.24 Back to school & school photos 14.11.24 Tree planting **TBC** Ukulele concert 26.11.24 - 3.12.24 - Book fair 20.12.24 - Break up for Christmas holidays

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Reading Vipers

Maths

Times tables - children should prioritise being confident with their 10, 5 and 2 times tables. They should also learn the linked division facts. (E.g. 3multiplied by 5 = 15. 15 divided by 5 = 3)

In lessons this half term we will be focusing on:

- Addition and Subtraction (using written methods)
- Multiplication and Division (using written methods)

Foundation Subjects

Science - Animals, skeletons & movement **PSHE -** Celebrating differences PE - Hockey and dance French - Animal skeletons and movement Computing - Stop animation RE - Has Christmas lost its true meaning? Music - Ukulele lessons Design technology - Money containers

PE days - children should wear PE kit to school on PE days. Indoor: Tuesday Outdoor: Thursday

Forest School - Children to come to school in old, protective clothes with long sleeves and trousers. Fox - 20th Nov & 11th Dec

Owl - 6th Nov 27th, Nov & 18th Dec Bat - 13th Nov & 4th Dec

All children should have a coat in school for use at playtimes.







Christmas Carol Services

Our Carol Services this year will take place

on the following dates:

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Year 3 & 4 - Tuesday 12 December

2:30pm

Year 5 & 6 - Wednesday 13 December

2:30pm

Both services will be held in the school hall

and will begin at 2:30pm, finishing in time for

the end of the school day. These services are

our celebration of Christmas with whole school songs, carols for everyone to join in with and readings that tell the story of Christmas. We are hoping to be joined by Rev.

Alex Randle Bissell to help us celebrate

Christmas.

