



**New School Meal provider** We have exciting news regarding school meals. From this September Dolce will become the new catering provider for both Portway Infant and Portway Junior School. Dolce already have a proven track record at a number of Andover schools and successfully supply meals across Hampshire and to schools in other neighbouring counties. They are a family run company who believe in healthy home-cooked meals.

School lunches for Years R, 1, 2 will continue to be free as part of the government's Universal Free School Meals initiative and we are delighted to say meals for Years 3 to 6 will drop to £2.80 from September. We hope to offer after school tasting sessions later this term for parents to sample the very high standard of food on the Dolce menus.

**Year 6 SATS** As you know, we are approaching the Year 6 national test week, which starts this year on Monday 13th May. To help children prepare for the tests each day, it is important that they have eaten. We are offering everyone in Year 6 the chance to come into school early on each day of the SATs week to be served breakfast. There will be a choice of a bacon or sausage in a bap, cereal or toast and a drink. There is no charge for this. We would expect children who are coming to arrive between 8:15am and 8:30am in the main hall. The opportunity to chat with friends helps to ease the children's nerves, is a good preparation for the day ahead and has proved very popular in the past. Please sign up at the link here: [2024 Year 6 SATS Breakfast](#).

*Miss Windross*

## School Council Fundraising Project

As a School Council, we are trying to raise some money for a new adventure trail as the one we have is getting quite old. Throughout the rest of the year we will be holding fun competitions to try to raise enough money to get a fabulous, new adventure trail. Please support us!



Our first competition will be in the form of an art competition to fill the blank, white wall in the shelter. We are also hoping to use the winning logo to help us fundraise! Any child can enter one design by Monday 13th May. The designs must:

- Be vibrant and colourful
- Include our Portway Values (ready, respectful and safe and our new PRIDE values)
- Include our Portway triangle and wheel logo.

Please put your name and class on the back of your design and give it to your class teacher. Good luck!

The Portway Junior School Council

### Sports Afternoon - Wednesday 22nd May

Following the success of last year's Sports Day and the positive feedback from parents, we are excited to announce the arrangements for this year's event. Having reviewed the format and running of the event, we have decided to follow a similar timetable for the day to last year so that it is once again enjoyable for everyone. Children will need to wear their house colour t-shirt (no football shirts please). If they don't have the right colour then please dress in a white top or normal Portway PE top.

We will be holding races (weather permitting) in the morning, split into lower school and upper school. Some children view these as an opportunity to shine and show-off their sporting talent, others can find this overwhelming and challenging. We are therefore going to let the children choose if they want to participate in the races.



You are invited to join us for the afternoon of Wednesday 22nd May, where the children will all complete a variety of fun sporting activities. They will collect points for their house, these will be added to the points won in the races, and the winning house will win the sports trophy and a house themed dress down day.

Please arrive at school no earlier than 1:00pm. The activities will begin at 1:15pm on the field. The children will be organised into house groups and will work around activities in a large circle on the field. They will be told which activity number they are starting at and, so that you can make sure you see your child from their first event, we will tell the children the day before the number of the activity they are starting at. Please look out for this in their diary. Activity numbers will be clearly labelled on the field and there will be a boundary line for spectators to keep to.



Please bring some loose change as there will also be tea, coffee and cake on sale. As well as this, after the event you will be able to purchase ice lollies for your children once you have collected them from their classes.

## Key Dates

Mon 6 May	Bank Holiday Monday
Mon-Thurs 13-16 May	Year 6 SATS Week
Wed 22 May	Sports Afternoon
Thurs 23 May	Info evening for parents - sex & relationship education
27-31 May	Summer half term holiday
Mon 3 June	INSET Day - school closed to pupils
Thurs 18 July	Open Afternoon
Tues 23 July	School stops for the summer holiday - 1:15pm finish

## INSET Days for academic year 2024-2025:

Mon / Tues September 2nd and 3rd  
**Fri October 25th**  
Fri February 28th  
Mon June 2nd

## Online Safety Info: Instagram

You will probably know that Instagram is used to post photos and videos, but did you know that it can also be used to message, voice/video call and send disappearing messages? Users can also upload to 'Stories' (which disappear after 24 hours), broadcast live and upload reels (short videos).



Instagram includes several privacy settings, so go through these with your child and ensure they are set appropriately. Settings include:

- Messages/Group chats – set who can message you/add you to groups.
- Story replies – you can turn this off or choose who can message you.
- Hidden words – turn this option on to hide comments/messages that may be offensive.

You can also add your own custom words or emojis. Make sure your child understands that there is a risk that content they upload can be shared with others without their permission as other users can screenshot it.

You must be over 13 years of age to set up an account. To create an account, you must enter a date of birth (but it is not verified). When you set up an account for users under 16 years old, the account is set to 'private'. This is the recommended setting so that your child approves who follows them and sees their content. Even if your child's profile is private, their bio (at the top of their profile) can still be seen by everyone. Check they have not included personal information here e.g. they should not be wearing school uniform.

**Supervision** You can set up supervision on your child's (aged 13-17) Instagram account. This gives you access to a set of tools including the ability to see who they follow/who follows them, how much time they are spending on Instagram, set a time limit and view accounts your child has blocked. Your child can also share when they have reported anything to Instagram with you. Learn more [HERE](#).

**Safety Features** Ensure your child knows how to report posts and people, how to unfollow and block people, delete and turn off comments. View [HERE](#):

**How can I keep my child safe on Instagram?** The NSPCC have published a blog with everything that you need to know. Click [HERE](#) to read.



**Keeping children safe is everyone's responsibility**

### More information

Visit the [Family Centre](#) to learn more about the features available: Download a parent's guide to Instagram - click [HERE](#).



## Year 4 Hooke Court Residential - January 2025 (Current Year 3)

Our visit to Hooke Court is all booked and we are looking forward to another great 3 days. If you need to be reminded of the key information, or want to know more, please see the Year 3 page on our website. You can also click the link below:

[Y4 trip to Hooke Court January 2025](#)

If you have any questions about the trip, please do pop into the school office. The admin team or Miss Windross will be happy to help.

## Year 6 Tests – Starting Monday 13th May

Good luck to all of the year 6 pupils in their national tests that start soon. In fact they won't need luck as they have been working really hard! We are sure they will do themselves proud. The timetable is copied below and the main tests will take place in the morning. If there is a chance that your child might be absent for any of the tests then please contact us urgently because if they miss one part of the test they cannot be given an overall grade. In some circumstances we can arrange for the pupils to do the test on their own before going home afterwards. The important thing is to talk to us if there are problems. If Year 6 pupils are coming to the special 'SATs Breakfast Club' then they need to arrive in the main hall between 8:15-8:30.(Please use the side doors opposite the dining hall.)

Obviously we want our pupils to do the best they can so please remember that they need to get a good night's sleep and come to school in plenty of time on the test days. We know they will all do themselves (and us) proud as they are a smashing bunch.

<b>Monday 13 May</b>	Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling – Paper 1 & 2
<b>Tuesday 14 May</b>	English Reading
<b>Wednesday 15 May</b>	Maths Paper 1 (Arithmetic) Maths Paper 2 (Reasoning)
<b>Thursday 16 May</b>	Maths Paper 3 (Reasoning)

Positivity

Resilience

Integrity

Dedication

Encouragement