

Very occasionally we have a few extra bits of information or reminders to share that won't wait until our next full Portway Press. Please see the information below for our Autumn Term UpDate. Thank you *Miss Windross*

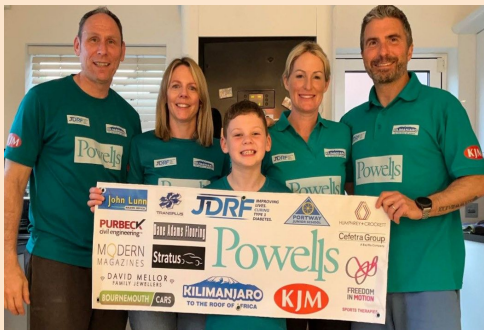
School Council Fundraiser - 20th October -2023

Our School Councillors had their first meeting this week and have decided to support our Portway Family in their fundraising this autumn!

Mr and Mrs Trapnell are climbing Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania next month in order to raise money for JDRF - a charity supporting people living with Type 1 Diabetes. JDRF work tirelessly to help people living with type 1 diabetes to live better with the condition, prevent people from developing it and to hopefully, one day, find a cure. The money raised enables the charity to fund research, campaign for access to treatment and connect and support all in the type 1 community.



Climbing Kilimanjaro is a huge challenge and one that Mr & Mrs T have been training for over the past few months. Kilimanjaro is Africa's highest mountain and stands at 5,895m above sea level - its altitude provides climbers with a real challenge. Our Councillors will help us learn about where in the world the mountain is.



The School Council has decided that this is a wonderful opportunity for the Portway Family to get involved in supporting this challenge and have decided to hold a **dress down day on Friday 20th October**. Councillors have decided the theme would be 'The Great Outdoors' to represent climbing the mountain.

Children should come in wearing their outdoor clothes (like for Forest School) - but no football kits thank you. The minimum donation for this is £1 but families are very welcome to donate more.

If you wish to make a donation directly to the family's page then please use <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/team5050>

Children should come to school on 20th October with their donations - **cash only please** - and bring them to class where the School Councillors will collect donations for us to pay forward.

We are looking forward to raising a lot of money for this worthwhile cause and to support some of the Portway Family - and to also seeing the banner with our logo flying from the summit of Kilimanjaro!

Good luck Team Trapnell!

Year 6 Secondary School Applications.

The deadline for parents of Year 6 pupils to submit applications for a secondary school place is Tuesday 31 October.

This year the County Council is running drop-in sessions at libraries for parents who require support with their applications. These are on the following dates:

- Wednesday 11 October, 9.30am-3.30pm – [Basingstoke Discovery Centre](#) Festival Place, Basingstoke, RG21 7LS
- Monday 16 October, 9.30am-3.30pm - [Havant Library](#) The Meridian Centre, Elm Lane, Havant, PO9 1UN
- Wednesday 18 October, 9.30am-3.30pm - [Basingstoke Discovery Centre](#) Festival Place, Basingstoke, RG21 7LS

Parents are reminded to name three schools to give them the best chance of securing a place at one of their preferred schools. If you have already submitted your application but haven't listed three schools, you can still log back into the [School Admissions system](#) at any time to update your application before the deadline.

Parents yet to apply can now [go online](#), or alternatively request paper forms by emailing admissions.team@hants.gov.uk or from any Hampshire school.

Parents who applied online and on time will be notified of the outcome of their application on 1 March 2024, and two to three working days later by letter if they applied using a paper form.

For more information about the admissions process, visit the [County Council's website](#).

PTA Pumpkin competition - information attached to email!



Parent Consultation Evenings.

These are on 18th and 19th October for all classes.
(and 17th and 19th October for Magpies only)

Please remember to book your appointment to meet with your class teacher.

School Day Timings

School starts at 8:50am and ends at 3:20pm.

Classroom doors are open at 8:45am and the site is open from 8:35.

Children should not be left unattended on the site before 8:45am. Breakfast Club is available as a 'drop in' from 8:00am for anyone needing to be in school earlier.