

### **PORTWAY PRESS**

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**Summer Sizzler - 6 July** Our Summer Sizzler is soon and we are looking forward to a glorious day. There will be a dress down day on 5 July - the day before - and the 'fine' for this will be for Year 3 pupils to bring in wrapped sweets. Years 4, 5 and 6 should bring in a bottle of something nice. Donations should be brought to the hall first thing where the PTA will be happy to receive them.



**Penny Wars** The PTA are also supporting our Penny Wars in a few weeks' time. The details of this are over the page and, as with the fundraising for the juniors at the Summer Sizzler, we intend to use the money to add to our fundraising for a new adventure trail!

**The Hive** After the success of The Hive this year we are looking into formalising this arrangement with the local authority as a resource provision. We'll keep you posted.

**Staffing Update:** Mrs Wassell is leaving us at the end of this summer term after 15 years of teaching at Portway Junior. Mrs Wassell first joined the team as Miss Millar and throughout her time with us has been an excellent addition to the Portway team. Mrs Wassell's responsibilities have been many and have included teaching in every year team Portway has, we will miss her very much and wish her all the best in her new role.

Miss Hammerton also leaves us at the end of this year. Miss Hammerton has been with us since October 2023 as a TA in Year 6 and as a Lunchtime Supervisor. It's been great working with her and our Year 6 team have definitely appreciated all her hard work. Miss Hammerton is leaving us to explore new career options and we know she will be successful in all that she does.

This coming September we welcome Mr Gunner to the Portway Junior team as our Year 4 Leader and class teacher. At the beginning of this summer term we also welcomed Miss Carter to Hare Class; she will lead Year 3 from September. You can read a little about our two newest teachers below.

Miss Windross

Hello Portway children and parents.

My name is Mr Gunner and I am delighted to be joining your wonderful school in September. I have a love for teaching and thoroughly enjoy inspiring children to be dedicated and enthusiastic learners as well as helping them achieve in other areas of school life too. Next year will be my tenth year teaching in primary



schools and I'm excited to bring my passion for learning, drive to succeed, and fun nature to Portway. Outside of teaching, my hobbies revolve around playing football, golf and cricket and I enjoy being a pilot and flying my plane at the weekends. I can't wait to get started at Portway Junior School and I look forward to meeting you all soon.

Hello everyone,

I am Miss Carter and I have been teaching for 10/11 years. I joined the Portway team at the start of this term and have really enjoyed my first term. In my free time I am often at Parkrun or competing in local running events. I know that lots of you enjoy Parkrun too so, if you see me, give me a

wave! I also enjoy relaxing and reading in my garden, especially when the sun is shining! Hare Class have made me feel very welcomed to Portway this term and I am excited to teach and lead Year 3 and meet all the new faces who will be joining us in September.



Stitch-a-Logo deadline to order uniform in time for the start of the new school year is 9th August 2024

#### 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

#### Year 6 Avon Tyrrell Residential - November 2024 (Current Year 5)

We are really looking forward to our week at Avon Tyrrell in the Autumn Term. For all the key information, please see the Year 5 page on our website or click the link below.

Year 6 Residential to Avon Tyrrell

If you have any questions about either of these trips, or if you are worried about paying, please talk to us. Contact the Admin Office, Miss Windross or Mrs Sacree all in complete confidence.

#### **Key Dates**

Thurs 20 June
Week ending 5 July
Saturday 6 July
Tuesday 9 & Wednesday 10 July
Tuesday 16 July
Thurs 18 July
Tues 23 July

Year 3 Egypt day
All clubs finish
PTA Summer Fete
Year 6 End of Year Show to parents
Year 6 Graduation - see letter for times of ceremonies
Open Afternoon
School stops for the summer holiday - 1:15pm finish

INSET Days for academic year 2024-2025:

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

**Positivity** 

Resilience

**Integrity** 

**Dedication** 

**Encouragement** 

## We declare a **PENNY WAR**

#### Wednesday 3rd - Wednesday 17th July 2024

Rules

Each year group has their own jar for collecting money - located outside the main office reception.

- Gain points by adding pennies to your year group jar
- <u>Lower</u> the other year group's totals by adding silver coins to their jars!

Prizes awarded to the year group with the highest total overall.

#### **Points**

+ADDING+

1p = +1 point2p = +2 points

#### -SUBTRACTING-

5p = -5 points

10p = -10 points

20p = -20 points

50p = -50 points



BBQ RAFFLE GAMES
TOMBOLA INFLATABLES ICE CREAMS
PETTING ZOO BARROW
AND MORE OF BOOZE

All proceeds go to Portway Infant & Junior Schools

Card Payment preferred

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### **RAINBOW RAFFLE**

# Please help us make Rainbow Hampers for the Summer Sizzler

### Olympic Ring Rainbow Raffle

We need donations for each colour of the Olympic rings. Donations could be food items, toiletries, drinks, candles, toys....anything you can find in the colour of your child's allocated challenge!

Year R & 1 - Blue

Year 2 - Yellow

Year 3 - Black

Year 4 - Green

Year 5 - Red

Year 6 - French/Blue/White/Red

Items need to be in new or unused condition.

All donations will be very gratefully received between 19-21st June

Happy hunting, the year group with the most donations will win a special treat!

See some examples overleaf for inspiration!

Raffle tickets go on Sale 24th June!



