



PORTWAY
JUNIOR SCHOOL

Start the Year Meeting
Year 5
2024/2025

Meet the Team

Otter Class

Mrs Brewer

Class teacher & Year 5 Leader

Miss Thomson & Mrs Lang

HLTA



Finch Class

Mrs Donnelly

Class teacher

Miss Cowan

LSA



Mrs Hall-Cooper

Year Group & Finch Class teacher on Fridays

Raven Class

Mr Ireland

Class teacher

**Mrs Sanchez and Mrs
Attwood**



Expectations

Portway Code

Ready. Respectful. Safe.

Portway Values

Positivity

Resilience

Integrity

Dedication

Encouragement





THE PORTWAY CODE

READY

RESPECTFUL

SAFE

POSITIVITY RESILIENCE INTEGRITY DEDICATION ENCOURAGEMENT



THE PORTWAY CODE: REWARDS

Housepoints

Phone Call Home

Portway Positive Postcard

POSITIVITY RESILIENCE INTEGRITY DEDICATION ENCOURAGEMENT



THE PORTWAY CODE: SANCTIONS

Reminder

2nd Reminder

Last Chance

Reparation

POSITIVITY RESILIENCE INTEGRITY DEDICATION ENCOURAGEMENT



▶▶• Key Information

Drop off 08:40/45 – *please note any children in school before 08:35 will be asked to go to Breakfast Club*

Breakfast Club & Portway Plus

Clubs (information will be released soon)

Portway Press

School Dinners (School Grid)



Mobile Phones

Having a mobile phone in school is discouraged.

Children may bring a phone if needed but they must not be used in the school grounds.

Children to hand their phone to their teacher (switched off - not just on silent) on arrival and collect at the end of the day.

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

What is the minimum age for account holders on these social media sites and apps?



Sourced from NSPCC website October 2019

Uniform

Uniform is worn at Portway Junior School to develop a sense of pride, identity and belonging in being a member of the school community. We believe that looking smart will help us to feel pride in who we are as a part of the Portway family and to take pride in all we do.

FOR SCHOOL UNIFORM:

- Portway Jumper / Cardigan
- Plain light blue polo shirt or Portway logo Polo shirt
- Plain black or grey dresses, skirts, trousers
- Plain black or grey shorts
- Blue checked dresses for girls
- Black school shoes
- Black or grey tights or white or dark socks for girls
- Dark socks for boys

FOR PE UNIFORM:

- Light Blue T-shirt.
- Plain royal blue or black shorts
- Plain blue or black tracksuit
- Plain black or white trainers (for sports not fashion)

What do the children need?

For forest school, children need clothing that will keep them comfortable and protected in outdoor environments. This typically includes: waterproof clothing, warm layers, long sleeves and trousers and sturdy, waterproof boots or wellies. Dressing in layers helps adjust to changing weather throughout the day.



A letter will be sent home if your child is wearing incorrect uniform regularly



Other



COATS AND BAGS:

- Children should be encouraged to make sensible choices on what they wear depending on the weather. Plain coats should be worn and wellies may be worn in extremely bad weather; these must be changed into school shoes when in school.
- Your child may bring in a small rucksack/school bag - they should be clearly named. These will need to fit into your child's locker during the day.







JEWELLERY:

- No jewellery to be worn due to health and safety reasons.
- Small plain studs in pierced ears, small watches (excluding smart watches) and small objects of religious significance are allowed.
- For safety reasons, the county stipulates that the wearing of earrings during PE lessons is forbidden.
- If a child cannot remove an earring it must be covered - please provide your child with tape.
- Medical bracelets and medical necklaces are exempt from these rules.



MAKEUP AND HAIR:

- Make up (including nail varnish) is not permitted to be worn in school.
 - Haircuts should be appropriate for school and not classed as 'extreme' e.g. completely shaved heads, shaved designs/patterns, Mohawk cuts or dyed hair.
 - Hair accessories such as hair bands should be discreet e.g. no oversized bows, novelty headbands etc.
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PE & Forest School

PE

Monday and Tuesday

This half term we have hockey and orienteering so therefore will be outside twice a week.

Swimming - This will be in Spring 1 - a googleform will be sent out - please make sure it is filled in. Children will need swim shorts / costume (no bikinis), a towel and goggles.

Forest School


Wednesday (every 3 weeks)

Finch - 11th Sep, 25th Sep, 16th Oct

Otter - 18th Sep, 2nd Oct, 23rd

Raven - 25th Sep, 9th Oct

Children need: Wellies or spare shoes/trainers, coats, spare socks, long trousers, long sleeves.



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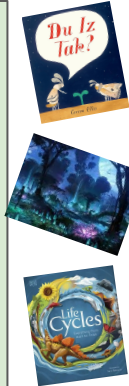
Welcome to Year 5 - Our learning for Autumn 1

English Writing

Our first learning journey will use the book 'Du Iz Tak' to inspire our writing about the discovery of a new bug, in the form of a report. We will then look at the film - 'Pandora Discovered' and create non-chronological reports about the fictional planet.

Reading

Using the book 'Life Cycles', children will learn to use VIPERS skills: vocabulary analysis, inference, prediction, explanation, retrieval and summarising. They will learn to read texts in order to answer different styles of questions.

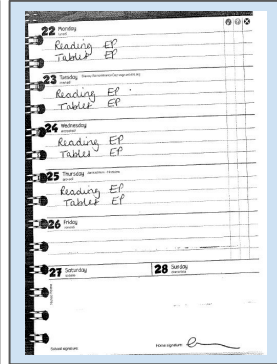


Expectations

Read 4 times a week to an adult and practice times tables 4 times a week.

Diaries must be signed each week by an adult at home.

A menu of other homework & spelling tasks is available on Google Classrooms.



Key Dates

- 9.9.24 Y5 Start the Year Meeting
- 17.9.24 Y5 Parents Coffee Morning
- 23/24.10.24 Parents Consultations
- 25.10.24 INSET Day

Uniform



Please ensure all belongings are labelled.

No jewellery to be worn in school.

Small stud earrings only.

Maths

Times tables - children should be confident with their times tables as well as the related division facts.

Arithmetic lessons will be once a week.

What we are learning this half term:

- Place value
- Roman Numerals
- Addition and Subtraction (written methods)



Foundation Subjects

Science - How light behaves
PSHE - Being me in my world
PE - Orienteering & Hockey
French - Je me presente
Geography - Chocolate and Trade
Computing - Digital literacy - Sharing information
RE - Sacred teaching / stories interpreted by Judaism
Music - Our Community Performance
Art - Maria Merian study

PE days - Monday and Tuesday



Forest School - Wednesdays
Finch - 11th Sep, 2nd Oct, 23rd Oct
Otter - 18th Sep, 9th Oct
Raven - 25th Sep, 16th Oct

(Raven will have first session after half term)

Homework

- Times tables (at least 4 times a week)
- Reading (at least 4 times a week)
- Signed by a parent (on Thursday night)

Please ensure that this is recorded in your children's diaries.

Children will be expected to hand their diaries in on a Friday to be checked by a member of staff.

22 Monday
Reading EP
Tables EP

23 Tuesday
Reading EP
Tables EP

24 Wednesday
Reading EP
Tables EP

25 Thursday
Reading EP
Tables EP

26 Friday

27 Saturday

28 Sunday

Notes: none

School signature: _____

Home signature: _____



▶▶ Homework

Half Termly homework, set at the start of term for children to complete when they can. There will be a grid with options to choose from (these will be available by the end of the week).

Children can earn a range of house points depending how big the project is they choose to do.

They are encouraged to do a minimum of 3 pieces over the half term.

Available on Google Classroom and will be in diaries.

Speak to class teacher for alternative arrangements if you struggle with access to ICT.



▶▶ Reading at Portway

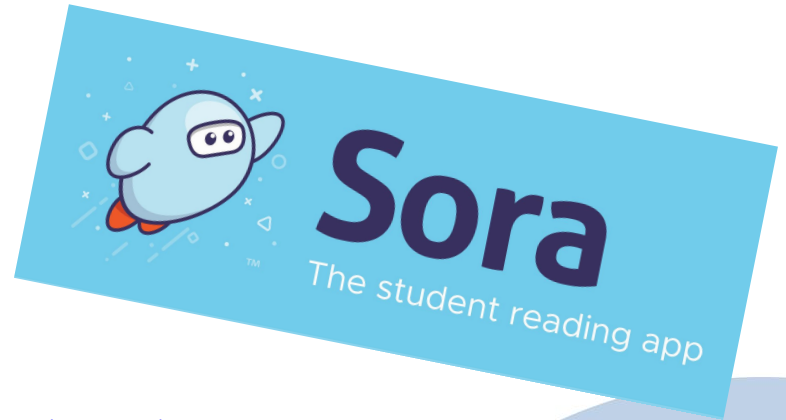
SORA app

Search, add Portway Junior School and child's e-mail address.

Lots of online books, audio books and magazines too!



Book Bingo is our Free Reading scheme. It is a reading scheme that we have developed to encourage children to read, understand and enjoy a wide range of suitably challenging books.



Children should read either their Project X or Big Cat book or Book Bingo book at home and in school. Books from the list have been selected as high-quality texts which link to year group topics. We hold all of the titles in school for children to borrow.

▶▶ Spelling at Portway

Our approach to spelling is using:

Spelling Shed



We will dedicate time to the teaching of spelling in school - it will be taught 2 or 3 times every week.

Children will learn statutory words and be taught a wide range of spelling rules using a range of creative approaches.

These will be published weekly on Google Classroom.



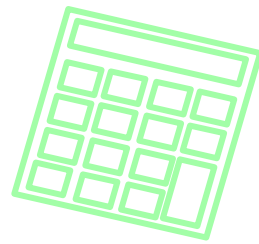
▶▶ Spelling at Portway

There will be **no weekly spelling test** . Your child will not bring a list of words home. Instead, low stakes assessment is embedded within regular lessons. You can support your child with spelling at home by talking about spelling rules, finding words that match spelling patterns and playing spelling games. There will be a weekly update on Google Classroom to let you know which spelling rules have been covered that week.



▶▶ Maths at Portway

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We use the CPA (concrete, pictorial approach) for teaching and learning.

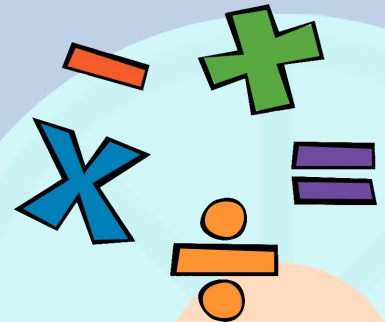
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We follow the White Rose scheme.

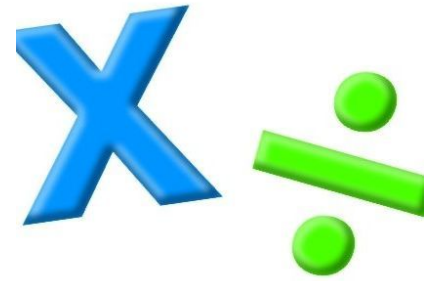
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The children complete a range of fluency, reasoning and problem solving tasks in their day-to-day lessons.

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▶▶ Times Tables



At Portway, we want to really engage the children so they enjoy and are excited to learn their tables. It is so beneficial to the children's maths if they are confident with finding multiplication and division number facts.

Children are able to practice using web games such as Times Table Rockstar and on Education City.

(We use Times Table Rockstars and Education City - your child's login is their email address and their password is the same for each online learning platform.)



▶▶ PSHE at Portway



We use Jigsaw as our PSHE scheme at Portway.

Autumn 1

Autumn 2

Spring 1

Spring 1

Summer 1

Summer 2



Being Me in My World



Celebrating Difference



Dreams & Goals



Healthy Me



Relationships



Changing Me



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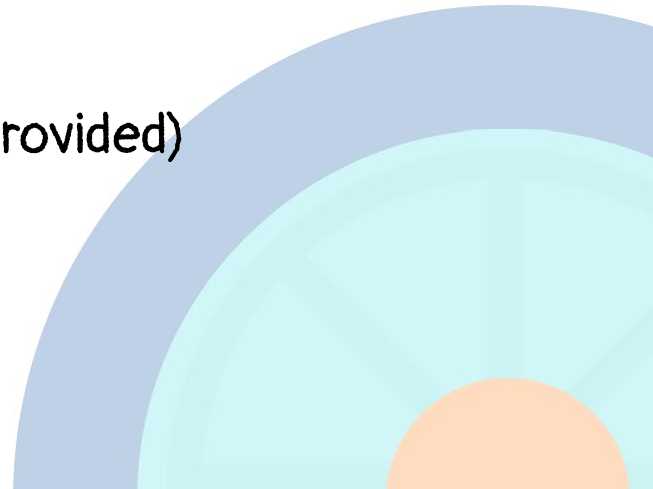
▶▶• Key Information

Lockers

Pencil cases & bags

Water bottles

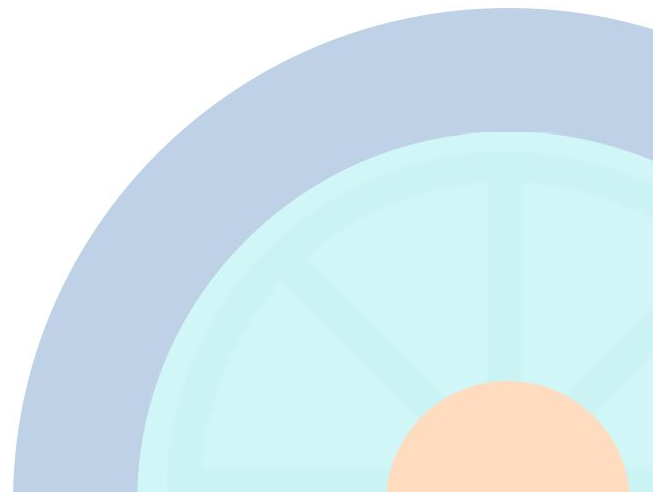
Snacks & lunches (no nuts. No snacks provided)





Key Dates

17.9.24	Y5 Parents Coffee Morning
23/24.10.24	Parents Consultations
25.10.24	INSET Day
4.11.24	Individual Photographs





Any Questions...

Just Ask!



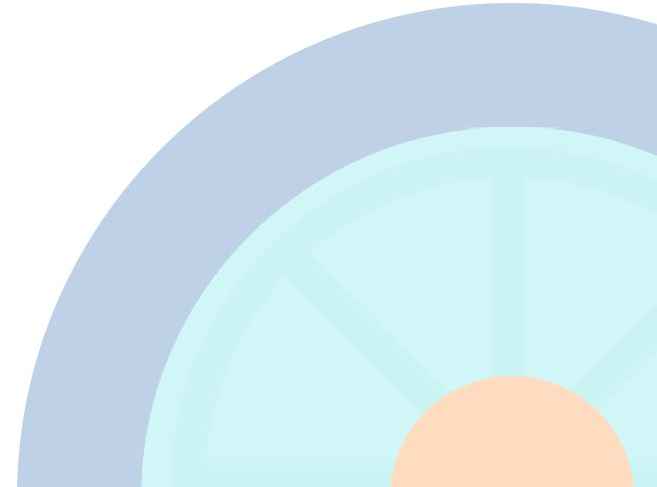
Cuppa & Chat

Tuesday 17th September

Drop children off and then come
to the hall - 8:45 - 10:00 am



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Thank you