



PORTWAY
JUNIOR SCHOOL

Year 3 2023-24
Start the Year Meeting





Meet the team

Bat Class

Mrs Wassell

Year 3 leader & Bat class teacher

Miss Abbott

Bat class teacher every Friday & cover teacher

Mrs Saunders

Bat class teaching assistant & cover teacher

Fox Class

Miss Weldon

Fox class teacher

Mrs Lancefield

Fox class teaching assistant

Mr Pearmain

Forest School Teacher

Owl Class

Miss Thomson

Owl class teacher

Mrs Hutchinson

Owl class teaching assistant





Year 3 Curriculum

History: Ancient Egypt & Stone Age to Iron Age

Geography: Local Area, UK, Europe, Nepal

Science: Light, Skeletons, Solids, liquids & gases, Magnets, Plants, Rocks & Soils

French - introducing key vocabulary and applying to common themes.

We also have regular PSHE, RE, Design Technology, Music, Art and PE lessons, covering a wide range of subjects in line with the National Curriculum - just ask us if you'd like to know more!





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

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Expectations

Portway Code

Ready. Respectful. Safe.

Portway Values

Positivity

Resilience

Integrity

Dedication

Encouragement



PE & Forest School

PE

Indoor - Mondays

Outdoor - Wednesdays

Children should come into school in PE uniform on these days.

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)

Forest School

Tuesday (every 3 weeks)

Fox - 5th Sep, 26th Sep, 17th Oct, 7th Nov, 28th Nov

Owl - 12th Sep, 3rd Oct, 24th Oct, 14th Nov, 5th Dec,

Bat - 19th Sep, 10th Oct, 31st Oct, 21st Nov, 12th Dec

Children need: Wellies or spare shoes/trainers, coats, spare socks, long trousers, long sleeves. They can come to school in their Forest School clothes.

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. Make up (including nail varnish) is not permitted to be worn in school. Hair must be tied back.

▶▶• Times Tables

At Portway, we want to really engage the children so that 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. Your child's login is their email address and their passwords will be found on a sticker inside their diary.

Maths Homework

We ask that children practice their times tables at home at least 4 times a week.



Reading

Every child will bring home a levelled reading book. We use Big Cats and Project X reading schemes.

If your child is in the earlier stages of learning to read, using phonics, then they will receive phonics support in school and will bring home a Read, Write, Inc book. These children will receive priority reading support.

There is a daily opportunity to change books and we encourage children to develop their independence in doing this. Children will regularly have the opportunity to go to our school libraries.

Reading Homework

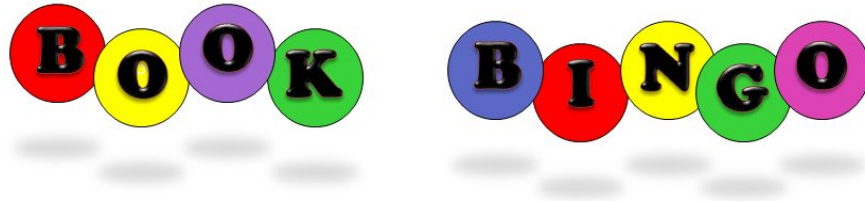
We ask that children read to you for at least 10 minutes, 4 times a week.





Book Bingo

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:

No Nonsense Spelling

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.



▶▶ 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.



Homework

- Times tables (at least 4 times a week)
- Reading (at least 4 times a week)
- Signed by a parent (on Thursday night)
- Optional termly project tasks & spelling activities will be available on Google Classroom

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.



▶▶ 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 next 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.

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

▶▶ Other Key Information

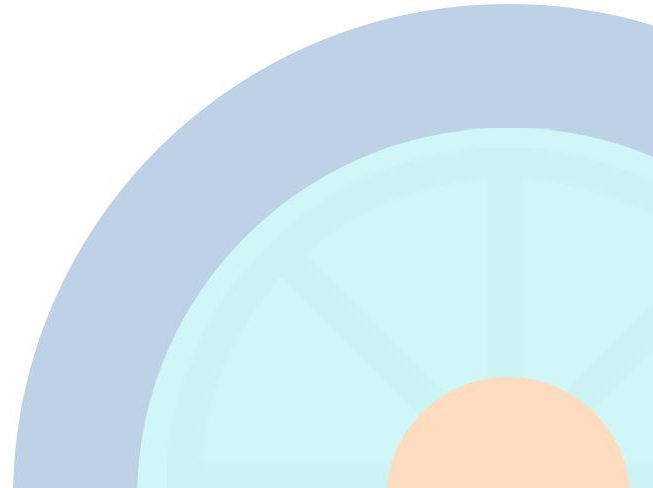
Drop off 08:45 – *please note any children in school before 08:40 will be asked to go to Breakfast Club*

Breakfast Club (from 8:00) & Portway Plus (runs daily until 5:30)

Clubs

Portway Press

Paying online (Scopay)



▶▶ Other Key Information

Lockers

Pencil cases & bags

Water bottles - please label

Snacks (no nuts. No snacks provided)

School lunches (£3 a day, £15 a week)



▶▶ Any Questions...

Just Ask!



Cuppa & Chat

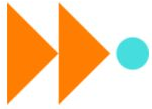
Fox class - 11th Sept

Bat class - 12th Sept

Owl class - 13th Sept

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





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Thank you