



Portway Press

Highlight of the week

At Portway, we love to read.

This week, Ms Makins caught a magical moment on camera, when Jamila, Kiah and Raizo burst into laughter while reading a funny story in FirstNews.



FirstNews is embedding itself into school life as a key source of information and enrichment. Look out for Portway's very own newspaper – it's coming soon!

Year 3 Study the Rainforest at Kew

Last week, Year 3 went to the British Museum, as part of their unit on Ancient Egypt.

Captivated by all that they could see, the children explored the museum and made links with what they have been learning in class.



Blown away, Boyko exclaimed, 'I can't believe how many cartouches I found on the statues!' Inspired by the artefacts, Tanzania said, 'I loved pretending to be the statues.'



Forthcoming Events

Mental Health Week

Monday 5th February marks the start of Mental Health Week, where we will carry out art projects to promote self-esteem and positive world-views.

Parent CV workshop

Tuesday 6th February 9.15am-11.15am

Level 1 Cycle Training

On February 8th and 9th, Years 3 and 4 will receive Level 1 Cycle Training in school.

Fairplay House

There are still some places for the Year 5 residential trip to Fairplay House (26th – 28th February).

Half Term

-Friday 9th of February is the last day of school.

-School starts again on Monday 19th February.



Attendance

Our school target is 96%. This week the whole school attendance was **93.8%**

Congratulations to Angel class who achieved the highest attendance this week with **99.21%!**

This week we had 11 classes with no late marks, keep up the great work!



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Views on the News



My favourite article this week in First News was School Support. I liked this article because it was talking about Children's Mental Health. This is when we can talk about how we are feeling and we can share our worries. The article spoke about how schools are working with Mental Health charities on how to support children.

SCHOOL SUPPORT



This week in school we are learning about our mental health which I'm really excited about. I think if the children speak about it then it will make them feel better by the end of the day. I know when I feel worried I always like to tell someone and there are lots of people at school and at home for me to share this with.

By Rubaita Razzque
All Saints Year 2

Brilliant Bird Feeders!



We had some special visitors come down from Finland today to oversee our Family English. They came to see how we deliver Family Learning sessions here in the UK.

Stay Safe Online



Last week, we learned that there were over 12,000 counselling sessions with young people who talked to Childline linked to online issues last year.

This week's fact:

More than 7 in 10 parents have looked for or received information or advice about how to help their child manage online risks



Please talk with your children about staying safe online.