



# Portway Infant School Newsletter



Dear Parents,

Our fabulous PSA raised an incredible **£2,951** from the Christmas Fayre thanks to your generosity and support! Bags2School raised another **£315**, what a fantastic start to the year! Thank you!

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Portway Schools Association & Easy Fundraising

**We're helping Portway Schools Association to raise money whenever we shop online! Could you do the same?**

It's very simple - just visit <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/portwaysa/> to register and shop with over 2000 well known retailers like Amazon, Argos, M&S, eBay and many more. Whenever you buy something, the retailer makes a donation to Portway Schools Association. They've helped other causes raise over £2,000,000 so it really does work.

It won't cost you a penny extra to shop through easyfundraising and you can even save money with special offers and voucher codes.

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We are very pleased to inform you that we are now in a position to offer a parenting course. The course will provide simple, effective tools to help adults and children understand and manage feelings and behaviour.

It will be held at Portway Junior School and will run on Thursdays for ten school weeks between 9.15am to 11.15am starting on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2012.

The course will be run by experienced staff from Andover Family Learning. We are also able to offer crèche facilities for any pre-school children.

We are only able to offer up to 12 places so please contact Mrs Smith SENCo, via the school office as soon as possible.

**Miss Sara Allen**  
**Headteacher**

**Applying for a Year R place for September 2012**  
**(children born between 1 Sept 07 and 31 Aug 08)**

Parents are encouraged to apply online and applications can be made from 1st November 2011 for Year R place, please follow this link

<http://www3.hants.gov.uk/education/admissions/ad-important-dates/ad-year-r.htm>

Paper application forms are available on request from 1st November 2011

Closing dates

for **paper** applications is **Friday 13th January 2012**

for **online** applications is **Sunday 15th January 2012**

**Professional Inset Closure**

For staff training and development

**Friday 24th February 2012**

and

**Friday 1st June 2012**

# Portway Infant News Team

These news reports are investigated, written and edited entirely by our fantastic news team.

All photographs are taken, chosen and formatted by the children independently.

Our thanks to Ellen and Tommy for giving up their own free time to report the Portway news.

(They also take full responsibility for the jokes at the bottom of the page!!)

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## Pride of Portway

This is the story of a little girl who had a big fright.

Over the Christmas holidays, Isabella aged 4 was at home with her little sister and her mum. When Isabella and her mum was walking downstairs first Isabella fell down the stairs and Isabella's mum quickly

ran after her luckily Isabella was alright but her mum was not so lucky she fell down the stairs and knock herself on the wooden floor and fainted. Isabella was very scared. Isabella got the phone and rang her Nanny. Her Nanny came round to their house straight away.

Nanny very quickly rang the ambulance. Her mum was in hospital for a whole day. Her mum was very impressed with her because she did not panic and knew what to do.

Everyone at Portway school is very proud of Isabella.

In next issue we will be reporting on year 1's dragon hunter visit, we can't wait to find out if dragons really exist! So be excited to read the next issue so what are you waiting for!

## News Team

*This year we are going to have some new people joining us in the news team. We'll introduce you to the new 2012 news team in the next issue.*

***Let's end with a joke...***

What is the fastest cake in the world? SCONE!

What do rain clouds wear under their coat? Thunder wear!

