



# HEADLINES

Friday 25th November 2016

NOVEMBER'S VALUE	WINNING HOUSE	BEST ATTENDANCE	STARS OF THE WEEK
Patience	Maple	Kingfisher, Ibis & Nightingale	FOPCS

Dear Parents,

This week at Powell...

### Christmas Fair poster competition

This week the FOPCS ran a poster competition to advertise our up and coming Christmas fair. We were inundated with creative, imaginative, festive entries and it was a struggle to find only 2 winners. However, I am proud to announce that Bethan Watkins from Year 3 won 1st place and Lyra Reynolds from Year 2 came 2nd. A huge well done and thank you to everyone that took part, including Mrs Larn!

### Inclusion

Following on from last year's parent survey, one action point has been to continue to provide stretch and challenge to more able students. So far this year we have identified children in Key Stage 2 to attend different events on the Dorking Partnership challenge programme, as well as The Priory School challenge workshops. In Key stage 1 we have continued to include lots of fun and challenging elements to extend the children's learning, and have provided more after school clubs, including art and multi skills, which aim to give children opportunities to develop their skills and interests beyond the school curriculum.

### Spellings

Throughout this term, the children will continue to bring home their spelling book each week. In class, the children have also been reminded of the strategies they can use to learn their spellings. As we continue to value the contribution and partnership with parents when learning spellings we would appreciate if all parents could sign and comment on the grid in the back of the spelling book each week so the teachers know how the children are getting on at home. Please see your child's class teacher if you have any questions.

### Star(s) of the Week

Thank you for all of your donations which arrived this morning for the forthcoming Christmas Fair- our stars of the week are the amazing volunteers from FOPCS who arrived en masse and, led by Mrs Perks, had them sorted and stored away in no time at all! We are so lucky to have such an enthusiastic and hardworking team of parents supporting the school, so thank you all.

### Maths Stars of the Week

Maiya (Year 1) for noticing and explaining patterns while counting, Felix (Year 5) for putting in extra effort with addition and subtraction, Jayden (Year 2) for concentrating well when finding 'lots of', Louis (Year 3) for his fantastic use of subtraction methods. Gabby (Year 4) for her perseverance with multiplication, Lily from Panda maths group for her amazing perseverance finding the difference between two numbers, and Lauren (Year 6) for consistent hard work and accuracy when

dividing this week..

**The week ahead...**

**Year 3 and 4 Trip to Shah Jahan Mosque**

Next Thursday Year 3 and 4 will be visiting the first mosque to be built in the UK as part of their RE work on Islam. The Shah Jahan Mosque in Woking was built in 1889 and plays a pivotal part today within the muslim community accommodating 1,600 people within two buildings. Please return payment and permission slips on Monday if you haven't already done so.

<http://www.shahjahanmosque.org.uk/about-shah-jahan-mosque>

**Advent Journey**

On the 1st day of advent (Thursday) the rest of the school will be learning at first hand about the Christian story of Christmas. The hall will be set up to depict the 5 different parts of the story and will involve activities to complete at each station. The children will have their own 'passport' to get stamped as they complete their activities. Many thanks to Mrs Doyle (RE Leader) for organising such a festive event.

**Staff Vacancy**

It is with great regret that we will be saying goodbye to Mrs McTigue at the end of term. After over 16 years at the school she has decided the time is right for a new challenge, now her children have grown up. We will be very sad to see her go and wish her all the best for the future.

This leaves us with a vacancy for an experienced Administrative Assistant in the front office from January. The role would be for 23 hours per week (4 days), term time plus INSET days. If you would be interested in this position please ask for an application pack from the office or e-mail [info@pcps.uk](mailto:info@pcps.uk).

**Parent Code of Conduct**

You will see attached to this week's Headlines the Powell Corderoy Parent Code of Conduct. As I mentioned last week, we as adults have a responsibility to model the expectations we have for our children. At school we are very aware of how impressionable our children are and how they deserve to have an environment with high expectations to ensure everyone achieves their potential. Please be aware of how 'little eyes are upon you' at all times. The Parent Code of Conduct clearly outlines our expectations and what is and is not acceptable behaviour, both on site and via social media. Please support us with this so we can all work together to ensure the best for our children.

Have a great weekend. See you next week!

*Mrs Smart*

**Head Teacher**



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CALENDAR DATES 2016/2017		OFFICE NEWS
Thur, 1 Dec	Kingfisher & Ibis Class to visit the Shah Jahan Mosque	<p><b>Activity Clubs</b> Please note that the last session for Photography Club, will be on Thursday 1st December</p> <p><b>Deadlines Approaching</b> <b>Visit to Shah Jahan Mosque</b> - Please could all permission slips and payments be returned to school on Monday 28th November</p> <p><b>Bentley Copse - 2017</b> - If your child is in Year 5 and would like to attend this residential visit please return the permission slip and £10.00 deposit to school by Friday 2nd December</p> <p><b>Menu Change - Thursday 1st December</b> Please note that the following meal will be served on Thursday 1st December:  Sausage or Quorn Sausage served in a sub roll, corn on the cob followed by an orange cookie</p> <p><b>Monies Owing</b> An increasing amount of time is being spent chasing up outstanding payments. Please could I remind parents that school meals must be paid for in advance at the beginning of each week. If we do not receive a payment and the debt is more than £11.00 then your child will not be served with a school meal. Similarly, if payments are not up to date with Breakfast Club and After School Club, then we will ask you to make alternative childcare arrangements for your child/children until the debt is cleared and will not be able to accept any further bookings.</p>
Thur, 1 Dec - Mon, 5 Dec Mon, 5 Dec	FOPCS Decorated Jar Competition £40.00 Instalment due for Thames Young Mariners	
Sat, 10 Dec, 14.00-16.00	FOPCS Christmas Fair	
Tue, 13 Dec, 14:15 – 15:15	Duckling Class Nativity Play	
Thu, 15 Dec, 14:15 – 15:15	Owl and Robin Class Christmas Production	
Mon, 19 Dec, 09:10 – 09:40	Autumn Awards Assembly	
Mon, 19 Dec, 12:00 – 13:00	Christmas Lunch	
Mon, 19 Dec, 13:30 – 15:00	Staff Pantomime	
Tue, 20 Dec, 09:10 – 10:10	Key Stage 2 Carol Concert	
Wed, 21 Dec	Last Day of Term	
Thur, 22 Dec - Mon, 2 Jan	Christmas Holidays	
Tue, 3 Jan	School Closed – INSET Training Day	
Mon, 9 Jan	£40.00 Instalment due for Thames Young Mariners	
Fri, 27 Jan	FOPCS Children’s Disco	
Thu, 2 Feb, 09:10 – 09.30	Owl Class Assembly	
Fri, 3 Feb	NSPCC Number Day	
Tue, 7 Feb	£40.00 Instalment due for Thames Young Mariners	
Tue, 7 Feb	National Safer Internet Day	
Fri, 10 Feb	School Council Talent Show	
Mon, 13 Feb– Fri, 17 Feb	Half Term	
Tue, 21 Feb, 15:30 – 18:00	Parents' Evening	
Thu, 23 Feb	Bag 2 School Collection	
Thu, 23 Feb, 17:00 – 19:30	Parents' Evening	
w/c Mon, 27 Feb	Book Week	
Thu, 2 Mar	World Book Day	
Mon, 6 Mar	£40.00 Instalment due for Thames Young Mariners	
w/c Mon, 13 Mar	British Science Week	
Thu, 16 Mar, 09.10- 09.30	Robin Class Assembly	
Tue, 28 Mar, 14:00 – 15:00	Kingfisher & Ibis Class Production	
Thu, 30 Mar, 09:10 – 09:40	Spring Awards Assembly	
Fri, 31 Mar, 09:10 – 09:40	Easter Assembly	
Fri, 31 Mar, 14:30 – 15:00	Easter Assembly	
Mon, 3 Apr – Mon, 17 Apr	Easter Holidays	
Tue, 18 Apr	Children return to school	
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		<p><b>CHRISTMAS LUNCH</b></p> <p><b>Monday 19th December</b> <i>British Roast Turkey with a Chipolata Sausage &amp; Stuffing</i> or <i>Festive Parcel( Quorn)</i> <i>Served with Seasonal Vegetables,</i> <i>Roast Potatoes &amp; Gravy.</i> ~ <i>Decorated Chocolate Slice</i></p> <p>Children who have school meals will be served Christmas Lunch automatically. If your child usually brings a packed</p>



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Tue, 25 Apr – Fri, 28 Apr	Book Fair	<p>lunch but would like a Christmas Lunch please send in £2.20 in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name and 'Christmas Lunch'. <b>Please indicate if your child requires a vegetarian meal or has any specific dietary requirements/allergies.</b> Payment is required only for all Junior children. <b>The absolute deadline for ordering Christmas Lunch is Thursday 8th December.</b></p> <p>Please note that on Wednesday 21st December the following menu will be served instead of another roast: Vinegar Infused Salmon Goujons with Potato Wedges or Loaded Vegetable Pizza with Potato Wedges.</p>
Wed, 26 Apr, 09:00 – 12:00	Bikeability Level 1 - Year 5	
Thu, 27 Apr, 09:00 – 12:00	Bikeability Level 1 - Year 5	
Fri, 28 April 2017, 09:30 –12.00	Pedals Course - Robin Class	
Mon, 1 May	May Day Bank Holiday	
Mon, 8 May	£40.00 Instalment due for Thames Young Mariners	
Mon, 8 May – Fri, 12 May	Key Stage 2 SATs week	
Mon, 15 May – Fri, 19 May	Key Stage 1 SATs week	
Mon, 15 May – Fri, 19 May	Bikeability Level 2 - Year 6	
Wed, 17 May	Duckling Class Ladyland Farm Trip	
Thu, 18 May, 09:00 – 12:00	Class Photographs	
Mon, 22 May – Fri, 26 May	Year 6 Residential Thames Young Mariners	
Thu, 25 May, 09:10 – 09:30	Duckling Class Assembly	
Mon, 29 May – Fri, 2 Jun	Half Term	
Mon, 5 Jun– Fri, 9 Jun	Healthy Lifestyles Week	
Thu, 8 Jun	Bag 2 School Collection	
Fri, 9 Jun, 09:30 – 13:30	Sports Day	
Mon, 12 Jun – Fri, 16 Jun	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check	
Thu, 15 Jun – Fri, 16 Jun	Year 5 Residential to Bentley Copse	
Mon, 19 Jun– Fri, 23 Jun	Bikeability Level 2 - Year 6	
Wed, 21 Jun	National Music Day	
Wed, 21 Jun, 09:10 – 10:10	Music Assembly	
Fri, 30 Jun	Summer Festival	
Tue, 4 Jul, TBC	Secondary School Induction Day	
Tue, 4 Jul	Children move up to new classes	
Thu, 6 Jul	School Reports go home	
Wed, 12 Jul	Duckling Class Garsons Farm Trip	
Thu, 13 Jul, 14:00 – 15:00	Year 5/6 Production	
Thu, 13 Jul, 18:00 – 19:00	Year 5/6 Production	
Mon, 17 Jul, 14:45 – 15:15	Showcase Afternoon	
Mon, 17 Jul, 15:30 – 16:30	Parent Drop-ins	
Mon, 17 Jul,	Year 6 Bowling in Horsham	
Tue, 18 Jul, 09:10 – 09:40	Summer Awards Assembly	
Tue, 18 Jul, 14:30 – 15:00	Parent Helpers' Thank You Tea	
Wed, 19 Jul	Whole School Beach Trip	
Thu, 20 Jul, 09:10 – 09:40	Leavers' Assembly/End of Term	
Fri, 21 Jul	INSET Day	

## FRIENDS OF POWELL NEWS

Thanks for all the donations we received this morning in exchange for mufti day and thanks to everyone who helped sort through the donations.

We were fortunate to have lots of Lucky dip prizes donated and so have decided to run a kids tombola at the fair with the bigger items. If you have any unwanted kids gifts that you are happy to donate for this please bring them in. Also, we are looking for more bottles for the 'grown up ' tombola please!

The Christmas poster comp was judged yesterday by Mrs Smart; the winner is Bethan W - Kingfisher Class with second place going to Lyra R - Owl Class. Watch out for the posters around town soon!

As you will have seen, Christmas tree order forms came home this week. The trees that Nick Keepen sources locally are beautiful and very good value, by buying one you are also supporting the school as we get the profit! Please return orders forms with the correct cash or cheques (made payable to FOPCS) to the office by Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup> December.

The competition is hotting up with some very elaborate jam jars being produced. If you have time over the weekend why not make one? The theme is Christmas and each jar should be filled with small toys or individually wrapped sweets or chocolates (no nuts please). There is a prize for the best two in each year, there's also a siblings, teachers and parents category. Please bring (named) jars in from next Thursday the 1<sup>st</sup> December, judging will take place on Monday the 5<sup>th</sup>. Good luck!



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There is now just two weeks until the Christmas fair so we are asking for donations of the following:

- We still need volunteers before, during and after the fair.
- Sweet and savoury bakes for the café (no nuts please)
- Wrapping paper and ribbon
- Named fancy dress
- Fir cones and salt dough decorations

Thank you in advance!

The money received from Bag2School was £120 so thank you to all who donated

#### USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS

Powell Corderoy Governors	01306 868165
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Breakfast & After School Club	07518 697751
Friends of Powell	fopcs@pcps.uk
Parent Council	01306 883373
Surrey County Council	0300 123 1620
<i>Hotline to report concerns about a child</i>	
Child Line	0800 1111
Family Line	0808 800 5678



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