



HEADLINES

Friday 24th February 2017

FEBRUARY'S VALUE	WINNING HOUSE	BEST ATTENDANCE	STAR OF THE WEEK
Love	Maple	Duckling Class	Year 5 & 6 Writers

Dear Parents,

This week at Powell...

Banner

I'm sure you will all have noticed the impressive banner at the top of our drive. This is all thanks to Mr Perks and [Woodbloc Ltd](#) and his generous donation of a fantastic banner to publicise our recent OFSTED. Many thanks again, Aaron!



Parents Evening

Another thank you this time to all the parents who took the time at our Parents Evenings this week to complete our Parent Survey. Your opinions are invaluable to us to ensure the continued development of the school and we are always grateful to receive your valued feedback. Thank you also to our wonderful governors who gave up their time to fight through storm Doris, to serve refreshments and assist with the surveys. You are much appreciated as always.

If any parent was unable to attend the meetings this week, fear not as class teachers will be contacting you to arrange a convenient time to discuss your child's progress.

Inclusion News

Miss Mitchell would like to say how lovely it was to see so many of you at parent evenings this week. Please remember that she can be contacted either by catching her on the gate most mornings, via the office in person, by phone or by email on senco@pcps.uk.

Stars of the Week

In the Autumn Term, children in Years 5 and 6 took part in a writing competition organised by the Rotary Club, they were asked to create their own pieces on the title 'Reflection'. The children who were runners-up in their categories, and the winners, were notified this week, with many Powell pupils amongst them. Well done to every child for their amazing writing, to those who received certificates for their efforts, and special mention must go to Ava and Noah (Year 6) who were winners and are now entered into a competition with writers from other areas and counties!

Maths Stars of the Week

Jasmine, Kayla and Rory (Year 6) for amazing work on multiplying and dividing fractions and demonstrating a positive attitude, Lucas (Year 1) for his enthusiastic progress with multiplication, Grace (Year 5) for persevering with multiplication and practising at home and Barney (Year 3) for his perseverance with telling the time.

Attendance

As a parent/carer you want the best for your children. Having a good education is an important factor in opening up more opportunities in adult life. Did you know that:

- a child who is absent a day of school per week misses an equivalent of two years of their school life
- 90% of young people with attendance rates below 85% fail to achieve five or more good grades of GCSE and around one third achieve no GCSEs at all
- poor examination results limit young people's options and poor attendance suggests to colleges and employers that these students are unreliable
- 7.5 million school days are missed each year through unauthorised absence.

Our school attendance is monitored closely by the Educational Welfare Officer who agrees our school target (currently 97%). Please support us in achieving this and make sure your child attends school punctually every day. (If your child is ill, please contact the school office at the beginning of **everyday**, before 9.30am otherwise the school will call you as part of our safeguarding procedures).

Road Safety

It is always busy around the school at drop-off and pick-up times, so deliveries to and collections from the site are organised for times of the day when children are not using the driveway, to ensure their safety. However, due to delays, large vehicles sometimes do arrive on site when children are present, such as this morning. Please make sure that your children walk down the hill to school, walk bikes and scooters down, and use the pavement rather than the driveway. Because children see so few cars and lorries driving up and down the hill it's very easy for them (and for us all!) to forget about the dangers that they could face, so please encourage them to behave as they would on other local roads.

The week ahead....

World Book Day - Thursday 2nd March



Next week we will be celebrating Book Week with a whole school focus on *Wind in the Willows*. We will be re-telling the story each day in assembly and the children will be doing various activities throughout the week linked to the book, for example Year 1 will be visiting Waterstones and we will be taking part in a whole school 'Toad's Crazy Inventions' carousel. On Thursday it is World Book Day and we would like the children to dress as a British animal, to link to our book (e.g. black and white to represent a badger).

Cross-Country Events

Please make sure the dates for the final two cross-country races of this year are in your diary - Monday 6th and Friday 17th March. All children who have participated before or attend Mr Darke's club will be bringing a letter home early next week, but new enthusiastic runners are welcome too!

Have a lovely weekend and see you next week.

Mrs Smart

Head Teacher




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CALENDAR DATES 2016/2017		OFFICE NEWS
w/c Mon, 27 Feb	Book Week	<p>Sainsbury's Active Kids Voucher</p>  <p>We are collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers. If you have any you would like to donate to the school we have a collection box located in the main reception area. Thank you.</p> <p>School Office Opening Hours</p> <p>The school office is open from 8.40am until 3.30pm.</p> <p>Drop Off</p> <p>The school gate doesn't open until 8.40am, please be aware that children are not supervised until this time. Breakfast Club is open from 8.00am until 8.45am at the cost of £3.50.</p> <p>Pick up</p> <p>We understand that there are times when you might be running late but we have had a number of children being picked up late regularly at the end of the school day. If you haven't collected your child by 3.30pm we will put them in the After School Club and you will have to pay the £10.00 fee.</p> <p>Paperwork and Payments</p> <p>Please note that paperwork and payments can be returned to school via your child in their book bags. Alternatively, they can be posted in the secure letterbox at the front of the building to avoid queuing at the Office. Please can all payments be placed in an envelope with your child's name and class clearly written on the front. Wherever possible please could you ensure that you also have the correct money, as we only have limited change in the Office. Thank you!</p> <p>Head Lice Alert</p> <p>We have had some reports of head lice in the school. Please can you check your child's hair regularly and treat as necessary. There are a number of over the</p>
Thu, 2 Mar	World Book Day	
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Thu, 2 Mar	Year 1 Trip to Waterstones Dorking	
Mon, 6 Mar	£40.00 Instalment due for Thames Young Mariners	
Mon, 6 Mar	Cross Country Competition Years 3, 4, 5 and 6	
w/c Mon, 13 Mar	British Science Week	
Thu, 16 Mar, 09.10- 09.30	Robin Class Assembly	
Fri, 17 Mar	Cross Country Competition Years 3, 4, 5 and 6	
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	
Tue, 18 Apr	£40.00 Instalment due for Thames Young Mariners	
Tue, 25 Apr – Fri, 28 Apr	Book Fair	
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	
Tue, 16th May at 15.00	Parent Information Meeting - Year 5 Residential Visit to Bentley Copse	
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	
Fri, 26th May	£28.00 due for Year 5 Residential	



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Mon, 29 May – Fri, 2 Jun	Visit - Bentley Copse Half Term	<p>counter products available from the pharmacy or when washing your child’s hair, add conditioner and use a nit comb to remove head lice and eggs.</p> <p>Year 6 Residential Trip - Thames Young Mariners Payment Reminder - the next instalment of £40.00 for the year 6 residential trip in due on Monday 6th March.</p>
Mon, 5 Jun	INSET Day	
Tues, 6 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	
Fri, 21 Jul	End of term	
<p>School Term and Holiday Dates 2017/2018</p> <p>Whilst the INSET dates for the next academic year will not be decided until the Summer Term. Please find detailed below the school term and holiday dates for 2017/2018.</p>		
Autumn Term 2017	Mon 4 Sept - Thurs 21 Dec	
Half Term	Mon 23 Oct - Fri 27 Oct	
Spring Term 2018	Thurs 4 Jan - Thurs 29 Mar	
Half Term	Mon 12 Feb - Fri 16 Feb	
Summer Term 2018	Mon 16 Apr - Mon 23 Jul	
Half Term	Mon 28 May - Fri 1 Jun	

FRIENDS OF POWELL NEWS

Thank you to everyone who came to the quiz at Rialto on Tuesday evening, it was a great success, lots of fun and raised over £800 (final total to follow). A huge thanks to Emma and Neil Wallace for running the evening and congratulations to Alex Cliff, Diane Hutchinson et al on their win.

Thanks also to all those who brought full sacks in yesterday for Bag2School.

We are hoping to have a meeting soon to start planning the upcoming events, we will put messages out as soon as a date is set.

USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS

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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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