



# HEADLINES

Friday 10th March 2017

MARCH'S VALUE	WINNING HOUSE	BEST ATTENDANCE	STAR OF THE WEEK
Honesty	Rowan	Nightingale Class	Daisy M

Dear Parents,

## This week at Powell...

It appears spring has sprung and the children have enjoyed lots of outdoor learning this week, in between the torrential downpours! We look forward to plenty more opportunities to make full use of our wonderful grounds and our local environment in the coming months.

### Attendance and Punctuality

We had our termly visit from the Education Welfare Officer on Thursday. She was very pleased with the school's current attendance, so thank you for supporting us with this, but she did note that we have a number of children who are regularly late in the mornings. The school gate opens at 8.40am and closes at 8.55am when morning registration is taken. We do understand that there are a number of major roadworks being carried out in and around the surrounding areas of Dorking but please make every effort to arrive on time for school, even if it means leaving 10 minutes earlier in the morning. If your child is going to be significantly late please call the school office. Once you have arrived at school you must take your child to the office and sign them in giving a reason for the late arrival. A child can not sign themselves in. We value the importance of communication between home and school. If you are having difficulty getting your child to school please talk to the class teacher, Miss Mitchell (Inclusion Leader) or myself to discuss ways on how the school can help and support you. I have attached a leaflet to this week's Headlines explaining why being on time for school matters and the procedure we will follow if your child is late for school.

### Morning Activity Clubs

Some children have been arriving 10 minutes early for our morning activity clubs. If your child attends a morning activity club can we ask that you wait at the door/gate with your child until a member of staff comes to collect them - this will be when the club is due to start. Please do not ring the buzzer in order for your child to come in earlier as staff use their time in the morning to prepare and set up the activities and are unable to supervise the children. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

### Parent Survey

The results of the Parent Survey conducted at our parent evenings have been collated and are in the process of being analysed by governors and staff. The response rate was good and higher than when we have asked you to complete the survey at home. A few headlines to share with you:

- 100% of parents said their child feels happy, safe and well looked after in school.
- 98% of parents said that the teaching is good and they would recommend the school to another parent.
- 99% of parents feel informed about the child's progress with 98% agreeing the school supported their child's learning.

- 97% of parents feel that the school helps their child to have a healthy lifestyle.
- 97% of parents feel the school takes into account their suggestions and concerns.

After Easter we will be discussing with staff and governors how to address the valuable areas you have identified to develop even further.

### **Staffing News**

As many of you maybe aware, Mrs Stallard-Richbell has not been in school recently and has been on long-term sick leave. She is currently receiving treatment and we wish her a speedy recovery. She misses everyone dearly and is looking forward to returning to school as soon as possible. Mrs Ahmad, who is also a Higher Level Teaching Assistant, is currently working with our Year 2 class to provide support during Mrs SR's absence.

### **Inclusion News**

Do you parent a 'tricky' child? Have you got difficulties with housing or with your child's health, behaviour, sleeping, bedtimes, bedwetting or anxiety? We can help! Our Home School Link Worker, Mrs Vicki Kelsall, comes in every Wednesday and is a wealth of information on ways to help and support you and your family. You can contact her via the school office, directly on a Wednesday or by email at [kelsall.vicki@ashcombe.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:kelsall.vicki@ashcombe.surrey.sch.uk).

### **Star of the Week**

Congratulations to Daisy (Year 6) for becoming the South-East's trampolining champion in the age 11-12 category last weekend!

### **Maths Stars of the Week**

Panda Maths stars of the week - Hannah W and Ryan F, for marvelous metric measuring; Beth (Year3) for her fantastic work with shape, Adam (Year 1) for his work with fractions, William and Zoe (Year 6 ) for completing their 144 Challenges, Alice B (Year 5) for excellent effort with addition, subtraction and problem solving and Evie (Year 5) for her investigative work.

### **The week ahead....**

#### **The Big Pedal**

This year, the school is working alongside Sustrans, a charity focused on sustainable transport to help the children consider the different ways that they could travel. One of the first activities we have completed was a transport survey, which gave some interesting results- over 60% of our children said that they usually travel to and from school by car, and only 1.2% usually cycle or scoot to school. For the last two weeks of term (20th to 31st March) we have signed up to 'The Big Pedal', a nationwide event encouraging children to cycle or scoot to school. We'll be asking the children each day how they got to school, and if we can improve the percentage of journeys by bike or scooter (parents and younger siblings count for our records too!) then we could receive prizes. We realise that some of our children live too far to cycle, so why not drive part of the way and then scoot or cycle? More information to follow next week!

#### **Year 2 Class Assembly**

On Thursday 16th March, Robin Class will be leading the school at assembly. We would like to invite all Year 2 parents to join us for this class assembly at 9.10am. Don't forget to get baking for the cake sale at the end of the day. Please could your contributions of cakes be brought into the school office either on the morning of the sale or just before the end of the school day. Please remember that we are a nut free zone. We do also require a couple of parent volunteers to help set up



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the cake stall and sell the cakes. Cakes will be on sale in the Infants' playground at the end of the school day - priced at 30p each for an individual cake or a slice of cake. Your help is always very much appreciated.



**MANOR HOUSE**  
SCHOOL

**BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK**  
2017

**AN INDIVIDUAL APPROACH TO ACADEMIC SUCCESS**

**SPRING SCIENCE FESTIVAL**  
Saturday 11 March 2017 10.00am-2.00pm

Join us for a family extravaganza to celebrate British Science Week. Fun Science activities and challenges with links to the National Curriculum.  
Ideal for 4 - 8 year olds and their families.

Bubbleworks Science shows | Farm Animals Refreshments | Science Activities & Challenges

Tickets are just £4 per person  
Book at [www.trybooking.co.uk/BRG](http://www.trybooking.co.uk/BRG)

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A SELECTIVE INDEPENDENT DAY SCHOOL FOR GIRLS AGED 4 - 16 YEARS WITH A FOCUS ON THE BOYS AND GIRLS AGED 7 - 11  
[www.britishscienceweek.org](https://www.britishscienceweek.org)

### British Science Week

Next week the annual British Science Week celebrations begin. Like computing, the subject Science is becoming more and more in the spotlight, as we are moving ever closer to become a skills based economy. As part of British Science Week, many family events have been organised across England to get children excited about the subject. For example, the Museum of London offers family activities to find answers to questions like: How do we know how hot the Great Fire of London was? Why did it spread so quickly? Also, Manor House School in Bookham will be holding a Spring Science Festival on 11th March from 10.00am - 2.00pm. They will be holding a number of fun science activities and challenges. The festival is ideal for children aged 4 - 8 years old and tickets cost £4 per person. For more information about the events, go to the website: <https://www.britishscienceweek.org/events/>

### Cross Country

Apologies for the cancellation of the Cross Country Competition on Monday 6th March, this was due to the field at The Weald being waterlogged from all the rain we had over the weekend! The next race is on Friday 17th March - it's not too late for your child to take part - please make sure they bring their completed consent form to Mr Darke by Monday 13th March.

### Red Nose Day

Red Nose Day 2017 is fast approaching! On Friday 24th March the children are invited to wear their own clothes in return for a contribution to the charity- they could come dressed fully in red, wear at least one item that is red, or an item that has red on it. Members of the School Council will be collecting money on the gate in the morning. Please note that we will not be selling Red Noses at school.



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, 13 Mar Wed, 15 Mar, 20.00pm Thu, 16 Mar, 09.10- 09.30 Fri, 17 Mar	 <p><b>Surrey Youth Games</b> We are pleased to announce the Surrey Youth Games registration is now open!</p>
Fri, 24 Mar <b>Tue, 28 Mar, 14:00 – 15:00 18.00 - 19.00</b> Thu, 30 Mar, 09:10 – 09:40 Fri, 31 Mar, 09:10 – 09:40 Fri, 31 Mar, 14:30 – 15:00	<p>The Surrey Youth Games, sponsored by Specsavers, is the largest annual youth sports festival in Surrey and gives young people aged 7 to 16 years experience of a competitive, countywide sporting tournament. This year's competition will be take part on Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th June. To be eligible to represent Mole Valley the child needs to either live or go to school in Mole Valley. Children are then able to register for <b>up to 8 weeks free coaching</b> in a range of sports with the opportunity to be selected for the team to compete for the District at the competition weekend. The majority of sports sessions start in mid April.</p>
Mon, 3 Apr – Mon, 17 Apr Tue, 18 Apr Tue, 18 Apr Mon, 24 Apr - Fri, 28 Apr Tue, 25 Apr – Fri, 28 Apr Wed, 26 Apr, 09:00 – 12:00 Thu, 27 Apr, 09:00 – 12:00 Fri, 28 April 2017, 09:30 –12.00	<p>See link to register your child for Team Mole Valley here <a href="http://www.molevalley.gov.uk/syg">www.molevalley.gov.uk/syg</a> Please note all sports are entry capped, so register ASAP to secure your child's place and avoid disappointment. <b>Registration closes Tuesday 11th April.</b></p>
Mon, 1 May Mon, 8 May Mon, 8 May – Fri, 12 May Mon, 15 May – Fri, 19 May Mon, 15 May – Fri, 19 May Tue, 16th May at 15.00	<p><b>Year 2 Pedals Course</b> Please can you return your consent form together with payment to the office on <b>Monday 13th March.</b></p>
Wed, 17 May Thu, 18 May, 09:00 – 12:00 Mon, 22 May – Fri, 26 May Thu, 25 May, 09:10 – 09:30 Fri, 26th May	<p><b>Bikeability Level 2 Course - Year 6</b> Please can you return your consent forms together with payment to the office by <b>Monday 20th March.</b></p>
Mon, 29 May – Fri, 2 Jun Mon, 5 Jun Tues, 6 Jun– Fri, 9 Jun Thu, 8 Jun Fri, 9 Jun, 09:30 – 13:30 Mon, 12 Jun – Fri, 16 Jun Thu, 15 Jun – Fri, 16 Jun	<p><b>Bikeability Level 1 Course - Year 5</b> Please can you return your consent form together with payment to the office by <b>Monday 27th March.</b></p> <p>If you require any of the above consent forms copies are available from the school office.</p>
British Science Week FOPCS Meeting at the Red Bar Robin Class Assembly Cross Country Competition Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 FOPCS Easter Egg Hunt after school <b>Kingfisher &amp; Ibis Class Production</b> Spring Awards Assembly Easter Assembly Easter Assembly  Easter Holidays Children return to school £40.00 Instalment due for Thames Young Mariners FOPCS Tower of 2p's Book Fair Bikeability Level 1 - Year 5 Bikeability Level 1 - Year 5 Pedals Course - Robin Class  May Day Bank Holiday £40.00 Instalment due for Thames Young Mariners Key Stage 2 SATs week Key Stage 1 SATs week Bikeability Level 2 - Year 6 Parent Information Meeting - Year 5 Residential Visit to Bentley Copse Duckling Class Ladyland Farm Trip Class Photographs Year 6 Residential Thames Young Mariners Duckling Class Assembly £28.00 due for Year 5 Residential Visit - Bentley Copse Half Term  INSET Day Healthy Lifestyles Week Bag 2 School Collection Sports Day Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Year 5 Residential to Bentley Copse	



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<p>Mon, 19 Jun– Fri, 23 Jun Wed, 21 Jun Wed, 21 Jun, 09:10 – 10:10 Fri, 30 Jun</p> <p>Tue, 4 Jul, TBC Tue, 4 Jul Thu, 6 Jul Wed, 12 Jul Thu, 13 Jul, 14:00 – 15:00 Thu, 13 Jul, 18:00 – 19:00 Mon, 17 Jul, 14:45 – 15:15 Mon, 17 Jul, 15:30 – 16:30 Mon, 17 Jul, Tue, 18 Jul, 09:10 – 09:40 Tue, 18 Jul, 14:30 – 15:00 Wed, 19 Jul Thu, 20 Jul, 09:10 – 09:40 Fri, 21 Jul</p> <p><b>School Term and Holiday Dates 2017/2018</b> Below are the school term and holiday dates for 2017/2018.</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Autumn Term 2017</td> <td>Mon 4 Sept - Thurs 21 Dec</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Half Term</td> <td>Mon 23 Oct - Fri 27 Oct</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Spring Term 2018</td> <td>Thurs 4 Jan - Thurs 29 Mar</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Half Term</td> <td>Mon 12 Feb - Fri 16 Feb</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Summer Term 2018</td> <td>Mon 16 Apr - Mon 23 Jul</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Half Term</td> <td>Mon 28 May - Fri 1 Jun</td> </tr> </table> <p><b>We have now set our INSET Days for the next academic year, please see below.</b></p> <p><b>INSET Days</b>  <b>Mon 4th and Tue 5th Sept 2017</b>  <b>Fri 20th Oct 2017</b>  <b>Mon 16th April 2018</b>  <b>Mon 23rd July 2018</b></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	<p>Bikeability Level 2 - Year 6 National Music Day Music Assembly Summer Festival</p> <p>Secondary School Induction Day Children move up to new classes School Reports go home Duckling Class Garsons Farm Trip Year 5/6 Production Year 5/6 Production Showcase Afternoon Parent Drop-ins Year 6 Bowling in Horsham Summer Awards Assembly Parent Helpers' Thank You Tea Whole School Beach Trip Leavers' Assembly End of term</p>	<p><b>FRIENDS OF POWELL NEWS</b></p> <p><b>FOPCS meeting on Wednesday 15th March in the Red Bar at 8pm. All welcome!</b></p> <p><b>200 Club</b> Congratulations to Mr H who has won this month's 200 Club draw.</p> <p><b>USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS</b></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Powell Corderoy Governors</td> <td>01306 868165</td> </tr> <tr> <td>chairofgovernors@pcps.uk</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Breakfast &amp; After School Club</td> <td>07518 697751</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Friends of Powell</td> <td>fopcs@pcps.uk</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Parent Council</td> <td>01306 883373</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Surrey County Council</td> <td>0300 123 1620</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"><i>Hotline to report concerns about a child</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Child Line</td> <td>0800 1111</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Family Line</td> <td>0808 800 5678</td> </tr> </table>	Powell Corderoy Governors	01306 868165	chairofgovernors@pcps.uk		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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