



# HEADLINES

Friday 17th March 2017

MARCH'S VALUE	WINNING HOUSE	BEST ATTENDANCE	STARS OF THE WEEK
Honesty	Maple	Nightingale Class	See below!

Dear Parents,

This week at Powell...

### Year 2 Assembly

We were treated to a fabulous assembly by Robins Class yesterday where the children shared what they have discovered about different animals in their learning this term, and gave their own performance of Julia Donaldson's story 'Superworm'. There was loud and confident reading, brilliant acting, beautiful singing and some very entertaining wiggling as they re-told the story. Well done Year 2, and thank you for all of the contributions to the cake sale at the end of the day you raised an amazing £54.10.

### Netball Success

Well done to our Year 6 Netball team who competed against the other local schools this week. They returned with the Small Schools' Trophy after finishing the event in an excellent third place with their only defeat coming against the eventual winners of the tournament. A huge thank you again to Mrs de la Hoyde for training the team.

### Engineering Club

Mr Van and his team of six enthusiastic volunteers from Years 5 and 6 have begun building a go-kart this half-term. The plan is for the children to construct this themselves, before racing against other local schools. We will keep you updated on their progress with this project throughout the term.

### After School Activity Clubs

We are currently finalising our Summer Term After School Activity Clubs and noted in the recent parent survey that a number of parents have asked if we can offer more clubs. All teachers currently run an after school club so to make this viable we would need parent volunteers to come forward. If you already run a club or have an idea for a club you would like to run at the school, please speak to us. We would need to do an enhanced DBS check on anyone who wishes to run a club at the school.

### Longfield Road

We have had a number of enquiries regarding the green area at the end of Longfield Road as to whether it is a roundabout or not. We have contacted Surrey County Council to clarify this and below is their response;

*"Thank you for your enquiry regarding the green area at the end of Longfield Road, Dorking. As you state this green area is not a roundabout and therefore drivers are entitled to travel in either direction around it. Should this green area be turned into a roundabout it could result in drivers increasing their speed as they travel around it because they will not have to anticipate vehicle travelling in the opposite direction. Existing collision data which is held by Surrey County Council and provided by Surrey Police, also shows that there has been no personal injury collisions in Longfield Road over the most recent 3 year period for which data is available (from 01/01/12 to 31/12/14). I would therefore not recommend that any changes be made to this green area to direct*

drivers to use it as a roundabout. Once again thank you for contacting us. If you have any further queries or require additional information you may find the following page on our website useful: [www.surreycc.gov.uk/highwaysinfo](http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/highwaysinfo)"

Can we ask that you are considerate of residents and other drivers at drop off and pick up times.

### **The Big Pedal**

The Big Pedal begins next week, where each day we will be asking the children (and staff) how they travelled to school. We would love for as many children to travel by bike or scooter as possible, but we will also be celebrating those that walk, or 'park and walk' as we aim to lower the number of car journeys made by Powell children. Remember, if parents and younger siblings also travel by bike or scooter, these count for our school total too. Keep your fingers crossed for beautiful weather as we have had this week!

### **Inclusion News**

If you would like some ideas for how to help children with their spellings, please let Miss Mitchell know - she has lots of helpful hints!

### **Stars of the Week**

I'm sure you will agree that the school grounds are looking beautiful and we are most grateful to Barry, Mrs Larn, Mrs Maccarone and Mrs Butterly... and their 'green fingers' - lots of their hard work and time has been given over the past year - please could you ensure that little feet don't damage the flowers as some appear to be have been trodden on next to the front door. We hope to organise another gardening day next term which we will let you know about soon.

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

Elizabeth and Millie (Year 5) for their problem solving with square numbers, Lara (Year 2) for partitioning number using a number line, Harry (Year 4 ) for great investigative skills with number, Robin (Year 1) for his excellent shape work, Daisy (Year 3) for her accuracy and beautiful presentation when handling data, and Sophie (Year 6) for her positive work on angles this week.

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

#### **Red Nose Day**

On Friday 24th March the children are invited to wear their own clothes in return for a suggested contribution of £1 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 but children are welcome to wear Noses they have already purchased.



#### **Easter Assembly**

We will be offering two viewings of the Easter Assembly on Friday 31st March - one in the morning at 9.10am and one in the afternoon at 2.30pm. Due to limited space and fire safety guidelines, you will need a ticket to attend. Initially the ticket allocation will be restricted to two tickets per family (not per performance). Any children under 5 who are happy to sit on an adult's lap do not require their own ticket, however please let us know if you will be bringing anyone under 5 and we will reserve seats beside the library so that you can easily pop into the library and/or visitors' toilet if needed, and help us keep any disruption to a minimum. All tickets can be booked online, using our parents evening system.



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Please visit: <https://powellcorderoy.parentseveningsystem.co.uk> to reserve your seats. You will need the following information to login:

- Pupil's First Name
- Pupil's Surname
- Pupil's Date of Birth

Once you have logged in, you will need to select Easter Assembly and then proceed from there. If you do not have access to the internet, please contact the school office who will be happy to reserve seats. **The booking system will open at 8pm tonight.**

Have a lovely weekend and see you next week.

*Mrs Smart*

**Head Teacher**

CALENDAR DATES 2016/2017		OFFICE NEWS
Fri, 24 Mar	Red Nose Day	<p><b>Bikeability Level 1 Course - Year 5</b> Please can you return your consent forms together with payment to the office by <b>Monday 20th March</b>.</p> <p><b>Bikeability Level 2 Course - Year 6</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> <p><b>Fitbit</b> If you have lost a Fitbit this week we have had one handed into the school office.</p>
Fri, 24 Mar	FOPCS Easter Egg Hunt after school	
Tue, 28 Mar, 13.30 – 15:00 18.00 - 19.00	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	
Mon, 24 Apr - Fri, 28 Apr	FOPCS Tower of 2p's	
Tue, 25 Apr – Fri, 28 Apr	Book Fair	<p><b>FRIENDS OF POWELL NEWS</b></p> <p>Thanks to those who joined us at the meeting this week, we made lots of plans! We are delighted to tell you that we have nearly £10,000 in the bank account at the moment, with over £5,000 already having been spent on equipment and experiences for the children so far this school year. So, alongside the wish list from the school and staff we need ideas as to how to best spend the money. Please let us know any suggestions you have.</p> <p>The Easter egg hunt will take place after school next Friday the 24<sup>th</sup>. Tickets will be on sale before and after</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	
Tue, 16th May at 15.00	Parent Information Meeting - Year 5	
Wed, 17 May	Residential Visit to Bentley Copse	
Thu, 18 May, 09:00 – 12:00	Duckling Class Ladyland Farm Trip	
Mon, 22 May – Fri, 26 May	Class Photographs	
	Year 6 Residential Thames Young Mariners	



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Thu, 25 May, 09:10 – 09:30	Duckling Class Assembly	school next week and are priced at £1.50 per child (siblings also welcome). Tickets must be purchased before the event. This is a family event and if you are joining in, please pick up your child as normal and make your way to the hall to get your hunt sheet. Children are the responsibility of their parent/guardian throughout this event. After school club are happy to escort their children around the hunt but they will need to have bought a ticket in advance. We will continue with the hunt whatever the weather, so bring wellies and coats if needed!	
Fri, 26th May	£28.00 due for Year 5 Residential Visit - Bentley Copse		
Mon, 29 May – Fri, 2 Jun	Half Term	Linda Busswell, who has been diligently running The 200 Club for the past three years has decided to step down. The Friends would like to thank Linda for all her hard work and money that she has helped to raise. Please let one of the committee know if you are interested in taking over the running of the lottery.	
Mon, 5 Jun	INSET Day		
Tues, 6 Jun– Fri, 9 Jun	Healthy Lifestyles Week	Save your 2p's! During the week of the 24 <sup>th</sup> April each class will be collecting as many 2p's as they can. The class with the most at the end of the week get the much prized, extra playtime!	
Thu, 8 Jun	Bag 2 School Collection		
Fri, 9 Jun, 09:30 – 13:30	Sports Day	<b>USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS</b>	
Mon, 12 Jun – Fri, 16 Jun	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check		
Thu, 15 Jun – Fri, 16 Jun	Year 5 Residential to Bentley Copse	Powell Corderoy Governors	01306 868165
Mon, 19 Jun– Fri, 23 Jun	Bikeability Level 2 - Year 6	chairsofgovernors@pcps.uk	
Wed, 21 Jun	National Music Day	Breakfast & After School Club	07518 697751
Wed, 21 Jun, 09:10 – 10:10	Music Assembly	Friends of Powell	fopcs@pcps.uk
Fri, 30 Jun	Summer Festival	Parent Council	01306 883373
Tue, 4 Jul, TBC	Secondary School Induction Day	Surrey County Council	0300 123 1620
Tue, 4 Jul	Children move up to new classes	<i>Hotline to report concerns about a child</i>	
Thu, 6 Jul	School Reports go home	Child Line	0800 1111
Wed, 12 Jul	Duckling Class Garsons Farm Trip	Family Line	0808 800 5678
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		
<b>School Term and Holiday Dates 2017/2018</b>			
Below are the school term and holiday dates for 2017/2018.			
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		
We have now set our INSET Days for the next academic year, please see below.			
<b>INSET DAYS</b>			
Mon 4th and Tue 5th Sept 2017			
Fri 20th Oct 2017			
Mon 16th April 2018			
Mon 23rd July 2018			



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