

APRIL'S VALUE	WINNING HOUSE	BEST ATTENDANCE	STARS OF THE WEEK
Peace	To follow	Owl Class	Barry, Mrs Larn, Mrs Macarone, Mr and Mrs Butterly

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a new term. I hope everyone has had a restful holiday and enjoyed the warm weather. The children seem refreshed after the break and have bounced back into school. A huge thank you to Barry and his team of staff (Mrs Larn, Mrs Macarone, Mr and Mrs Butterly) who spent time over the holidays ensuring the flower beds are stocked and the school is looking 'blooming' marvellous! They are our Stars of the Week. It's been a delight to see the sun this week, despite the chilly mornings, and the children have enjoyed the outside learning that has taken place. Another busy term is ahead of us with lots of exciting developments which we look forward to sharing with you as the term progresses.

This week at Powell...

Meet the new Year 1 Teachers afternoon

Thank you to all those parents who attended our meet the teacher session on Wednesday. It was lovely to see so many brothers and sisters attending, and the children loved showing all their work and the activities they enjoy in class and in the outside area.

Inclusion News

We are arranging an ASD coffee morning on Monday 19th June from 9.00am until 10.30am. We will have Jeanette Clark, Linden Bridge Outreach Worker coming and she will be there to answer questions and to offer advice in an informal way. More details to follow. You do not have to have a diagnosed child to attend, and I would encourage any parent with children who have social communication difficulties, whose child is going through the assessment process, or who have any concerns about their child's social communication skills to drop in for a chat and a cup of coffee.

Did You Know..... Dorking Library has a section devoted to dyslexia friendly books for all ages, and also information on how to help children and adults with reading problems - just ask the friendly staff when you next visit.

Maths Stars of the Week

In Panda Maths - Tommy R (Year 3) for amazing division work, Cayden (Year 5) for hard work and perseverance in all areas of maths this week, Oliver (Year 6) for working on his accuracy particularly during arithmetic work, Emily S (Year 3) for her excellent use of her place value knowledge, Haeden (Year 4) for encouraging others, Adam (Year 1) for finding different ways of making 20p, Harry (Year 2) for fantastic understanding of numbers and using > and < signs.

The week ahead.....

Year 5 Play Leaders and Be Kind Campaign

Later this term Year 5 will be swapping their role as Peer Mediators for Play Leaders. As part of this, we will be continuing our ongoing work in PSHE on the importance of showing kindness towards others and playing kindly and fairly at playtime.

HEADLINES Friday 21st April 2017

As part of this work we will be taking the *This Morning* pledge to support the **'Be Kind Campaign'** which aims to help children nationwide. During these sessions, and as part of our e-safety work, we will also be showing a short video which includes parents talking about their own children who took their lives as a result of bullying and unkindness at school. You may wish to watch and discuss this video with your children before we show it, and discuss it at school next week - http://www.itv.com/thismorning/hot-topics/pledge-to-share-our-anti-bullying-message. Please see Mr Tree if you have any further comments or questions.

FOPCS Tower of 2p's

The Friends first fundraiser of this term will be the 2p challenge next week. The challenge starts on Monday 24th, please bring in as many 2p's as you can carry to help your class to win. The class which collects the most will win the much prized extra playtime! So get raiding those piggy banks!

Book Fair

Next week, Tuesday 25 April to Friday 28 April, the Book Fair will be coming to Powell Corderoy. The fair will take place in the hall before and after school and children will be given the opportunity to visit the fair with the class during the week to look at what books are on offer. All money raised is going to help buy more books for our school library. Thank you to those who have already volunteered to run the fair but FOCPS need some more help. If you able to give up a little time to do this it would be greatly appreciated. Please speak to Lucinda Perks (mum of Charlie Year 3 and Monty in Reception). Thank you.

Year 5 Bikeability

Year 5 will be taking part in the Surrey County Council's Bikeability Level 1 Cycle Training course next Wednesday and Thursday morning. This is an off road training course and the children will undertake a series of exercises designed to improve bicycle control and raise awareness of others in preparation for riding safely on the road. Those children who have signed up for the course should have received a letter letting them know which day they will be taking part, if you haven't received a letter please speak to the office.

Pedals Year 2

All of the children in Year 2 will be taking part in the Surrey County Council Pedals Course on Friday 28th April. This course is an excellent opportunity for pupils to begin their road safety education, balance and control skills. The children will discuss and practice how to cross the road safely, getting on and off a bicycle or scooter safely, starting a journey safely and what the colours mean on traffic lights. Can all children in Year 2 bring in a bike (must be able to ride without stabilizers), tricycle or scooter together with a cycle helmet? If your child does not have any of the above they can still take part on foot.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Smart

Head Teacher



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CALENDAR DATES 2016/2017 **OFFICE NEWS** Mon, 24 Apr - Fri, 28 Apr FOPCS Tower of 2p's **Activity Clubs** All activity clubs start next week. We are still looking for a Tue, 25 Apr – Fri, 28 Apr **Book Fair** volunteer to help with Photography Club on Thursday from Tue, 25 Apr, 19.30 FOPCS Meeting at The Red Bar 3.15pm until 4.15pm. If you are able to help please speak to Wed, 26 Apr, 09:00 – 12:00 Bikeability Level 1 - Year 5 the school office. Thu, 27 Apr, 09:00 – 12:00 Bikeability Level 1 - Year 5 Fri, 28 April 2017, 09:30 –12.00 Pedals Course - Robin Class **Surrey Arts** Surrey Arts would like to invite all young musicians to come Mon, 1 May May Day Bank Holiday along and try out some of the local ensembles at our free Thu, 4 May Year 5 Class Assembly open evening on Wednesday 26th April. £40.00 Instalment due for Thames Mon, 8 May Young Mariners 5.15-6.30pm - South West Winds - Woodwind, brass and percussion players (beginner to grade 4) Prima - String Mon, 8 May – Fri, 12 May Key Stage 2 SATs week players (beginner to grade 2) Opus - String players (grade 2-Fri, 12 May Parent Information Meeting - Year 6 4). Residential Visit Thames Young Mariners 6.45-8.45pm - South West Surrey Youth Orchestra - Strings, Mon, 15 May – Fri, 19 May Key Stage 1 SATs week Wind, brass and percussion (grade 5+). Mon, 15 May – Fri, 19 May Bikeability Level 2 - Year 6 Tue, 16th May at 15.00 Parent Information Meeting - Year 5 All rehearsals take place on Wednesday evenings at Residential Visit to Bentley Copse Tillingbourne school and the first term is free. Expert tutors Wed, 17 May Duckling Class Ladyland Farm Trip will be on hand to help, just bring along your instrument! For more information, please contact Alison Harding -Thu, 18 May, 09:00 – 12:00 Class Photographs Alison.harding@surreycc.gov.uk Fri, 19th May Mufti Day for Sports Day Mon, 22 May – Fri, 26 May Year 6 Residential Thames Young **Surrey Hills Sculpture Garden** Mariners Now in its 8th year, the Surrey Hills Sculpture Garden Thu, 25 May, 09:10 – 09:30 **Duckling Class Assembly** showcases the best in local artistic talent within the stunning Fri, 26th May £28.00 due for Year 5 Residential 48 acre grounds at Birtley Estate, Bramley. The garden is open Visit - Bentley Copse from Sunday 30th April until Sunday 4th June, and is open Mon, 29 May – Fri, 2 Jun Half Term 10am - 5pm daily. This unique event provides an excellent day out, and is great value as children under 16 go free! Adult entry is just £5, and entitles you free re-entry for the entire Mon, 5 Jun **INSET Day** event. Tues, 6 Jun-Fri, 9 Jun Healthy Lifestyles Week Thu, 8 Jun Bag 2 School Collection We would love to encourage families to come and explore the Fri, 9 Jun, 09:30 – 13:30 Sports Day garden, and enjoy the beautiful sculptures in a scenic setting. Mon, 12 Jun – Fri, 16 Jun Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Thu, 15 Jun – Fri, 16 Jun Year 5 Residential to Bentley Copse For more information about the event, please visit our Mon, 19 Jun-Fri, 23 Jun Bikeability Level 2 - Year 6 website at: Mon, 19 Jun, 9.30 - 10.30 **ASD Coffee Morning** http://www.surreyhills.org/events/surrey-hills-sculpture-gard Wed, 21 Jun National Music Day en-2/ or our Facebook page: Wed, 21 Jun, 09:10 – 10:10 Music Assembly https://www.facebook.com/SurreyHillsAONB/ Summer Festival Fri, 30 Jun Tue, 4 Jul, TBC Secondary School Induction Day Tue, 4 Jul Children move up to new classes Thu. 6 Jul School Reports go home







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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

Thu, 20 Jul, 09:10 – 09:40 Leavers' Assembly Fri, 21 Jul Whole School Beach Trip

Fri, 21 Jul End of term

School Term and Holiday Dates 2017/2018

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.

INSET DAYS Mon 4th and Tue 5th Sept 2017 Fri 20th Oct 2017

Mon 16th April 2018 Mon 23rd July 2018

FRIENDS OF POWELL NEWS

We hope you all had a lovely Easter break! Next Tuesday we have a meeting at 7.30pm at Red Bar, all welcome. We will be finalising plans for the Summer Festival.

With the Summer Festival in mind, Patrick Gardner are kindly supporting the event again so if you are happy to have a board outside your house please email fopcs@pcps.uk or speak to Laura Duffell. We have to provide the names and addresses of all those willing by next Friday so we don't have long. Powell gets £5 for every board and they are also sponsoring the inflatables again!

USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS

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Child Line 0800 1111 Family Line 0808 800 5678













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