



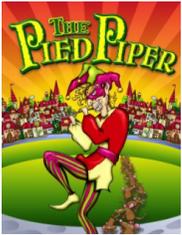
# HEADLINES

Thursday 29th March 2018

MARCH'S VALUE	WINNING HOUSE	BEST ATTENDANCE
CARING	To Follow	Ibis Class

Dear Parents/Carers,

## THIS WEEK



### Year 3/4 Production - The Pied Piper

Congratulations Years 3 and 4 on a fantastic production of The Pied Piper this week! The children worked very hard on their parts and delivered a wonderful performance which included singing and acting. Especially well done to Lucy for her solo performance as the Pied Piper, and thank you to all the parents who helped with props, costumes and face paints. Thank you also to FOPCS whose fundraising bought the new sound system, which debuted this week and greatly enhanced the performance!

### A History of Science

Yesterday afternoon, FOPCS treated the whole school to an end-of-term production on 'The History of Science,' by the Hobgoblin Touring Theatre Company. The show featured lots of humorous and informative sketches about different scientific breakthroughs, such as Newton's law of gravity and the discovery that metal conducts electricity. The children thoroughly enjoyed the performance, with one Year 5 child commenting "I didn't know that apples had anything to do with the discovery of gravity!"

### Easter Concerts

Thank you to everyone who came to our Easter Concerts today - the children sang beautifully (as always!) and it was so lovely to see the Year 6s playing the ukuleles with such gusto! Will we ever have an Easter Assembly without the infamous Spring Chicken song? Special thanks to Mrs Henwood, Mr White and Mr Darke who did a fantastic job coordinating this.

### Spring Awards Assembly

Well done to all those children who were awarded certificates and trophies at yesterday's Spring Awards assembly. Congratulations to Eva S (Ducklings) who won the Star Award for showing such a caring nature, Samuel H (Nightingales) who won the Edith Corderoy cup for the Arts and Gerta (Nightingales) who won the trophy for excellence in STEM subjects. As one of our Year 1 children said "This assembly is for us to celebrate everybody's achievements" and it was really lovely to see all the children being so happy to share in each other's successes. Definitely a "Proud to be Powell" moment.

### POW Magazine on sale!

Well done to the POW editorial team who rushed out their chocolate-themed special edition - complete with free chocolate Easter bunny - just in time for the holidays! It's a great read and full of all the usual popular features, as well as an exciting

competition to write a story using chocolate bars! If you didn't manage to pick up a copy this week, there will be a few available to buy from the school office after Easter.

### Mental Health

Congratulations to our Home School Link Worker Vicki, who has recently qualified as a Certified Mental Health First Aider. This is a field we are keen to raise awareness of, and do more to address, so it's great to have someone in school with skills in supporting mental health - something we hope to train more staff in in due course. Vicki trained with [Dorking Minds](#), who are currently offering training at a subsidised cost of £60 (usually £300) to anyone interested in this area. You can book training through their [website](#).

### Children's Centre Plea

Our children's centres are at risk nationally and in Surrey as there are proposals for drastic cuts to children's centre services on offer. The children's centre in Dorking is facing significant reductions in its budget from April 2019 which will result in a reduced services for the community. As you know, the children's centre in Dorking, located on Goodwyns Road and West Street are open to all families with a child under the age of 5, so many of you will have accessed it at some point in your parenthood.

As a group of Dorking Schools we are supporting our local Children's Centre and asking you all to sign the petition to provide additional funding <https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/210947>. Please click on the link to sign.

If you would like to read more, there was an article in the local paper last week

[https://www.getsurrey.co.uk/news/surrey-news/surreys-58-childrens-centres-could-14356848#ICID=ios\\_GetSurreyNewsApp\\_AppShare\\_Click\\_MailShare](https://www.getsurrey.co.uk/news/surrey-news/surreys-58-childrens-centres-could-14356848#ICID=ios_GetSurreyNewsApp_AppShare_Click_MailShare) or you can watch the clip about our very own children's centre here in Dorking <https://youtu.be/P3Y7fRKKuhE>

INCLUSION NEWS - including AGT

senco@pcps.uk

AGT - thank you to all the parents who expressed an interest in the Able, Gifted and Talented meetings. After discussion with several parents, Miss Mitchell has decided to offer three meetings next term. One will focus on the school's provision for the AGT children and how we raise their attainment. One will focus on gifted writers and the other will focus on gifted mathematicians. Watch this space for times and dates.

SAFEGUARDING

Email: dsl@pcps.uk

### E-Safety

As a school we work hard to promote safe online habits, and hope you as parents will support this at home. Did you know you can install software to filter and monitor children's internet access at home? Our school website has links to some of the best software available - look under Safeguarding > E-safety. You can restrict how much time children spend online, what sites they can access, and apply filters to search engines to prevent children accidentally coming across inappropriate material. Remember also to check the age limits and guidance on games and apps, and age restrictions on social networking sites. These restrictions are there to protect children online and keep them safe.



Powell Corderoy Primary School, Longfield Road, Dorking, Surrey, RH4 3DF



Tel: 01306 883373 Email: [info@pcps.uk](mailto:info@pcps.uk) Web: [www.powellcorderoy.co.uk](http://www.powellcorderoy.co.uk)



Co-Head Teachers: Mrs Emma McLaughlin and Mrs Joanna Wilson

**Action Counters Terrorism: Report suspicious activity and behaviour to tackle terrorism**

Surrey Police urges the public to help the police tackle terrorism and save lives by reporting suspicious behaviour and activity. Communities defeat terrorism. With the enduring terrorist threat, it is now more important than ever that everyone plays their part in tackling terrorism. Your actions could save lives. Don't worry about wasting police time. No call or click will be ignored. What you tell the police is treated in the strictest confidence and is thoroughly researched by experienced officers before, and if, any police action is taken. Any piece of information could be important, it is better to be safe and report. Remember, trust your instincts and ACT: **Action Counters Terrorism**.

**How can I report?** Reporting is quick and easy. You can report in confidence **online** via our secure form: [www.gov.uk/ACT](http://www.gov.uk/ACT). Alternatively, you can call the police confidentially on 0800 789 321. All reports are kept confidential and you can report anonymously. In an emergency always call 999.

**What should I report?** Like other criminals, terrorists need to plan. You can report suspicious activity or behaviour – anything that seems out of place, unusual or just doesn't seem to fit in with everyday life. Watch the ACT film to learn more: <https://youtu.be/l6SjX2ZXMnY>

**F.Y.I: Bullying and cyber-bullying**

Bullying is behaviour that hurts someone else – such as name calling, hitting, pushing, spreading rumours, threatening or undermining someone. It can happen anywhere – at school, at home or online. It's usually repeated over a long period of time and can hurt a child both physically and emotionally. Bullying that happens online, using social networks, games and mobile phones, is often called cyberbullying. A child can feel like there's no escape because it can happen wherever they are, at any time of day or night. If you have concerns about a child you think may be a victim of bullying or cyber-bullying, please speak to the school in the first instance if it is school-related. We assure you that all incidents of bullying are taken very seriously. Alternatively, you can seek advice from trained NSPCC counsellors 24/7 on 0808 800 5000, by email via [help@nspcc.org.uk](mailto:help@nspcc.org.uk), or [report a concern online via the NSPCC website](#).

**STAFFING**

Today, we say goodbye to Mr Tree as he leaves us to start his new role as an assistant head, and we wish him every success in this new challenge. After Easter, we welcome Mrs J. Newman to Year 3, who will share the class teaching with Miss Mumford on a temporary basis for the summer term. We also welcome two new part time teaching assistants: Mrs Mayet, and Mrs Wharton (who some of you will know from After School Club.) Year 3 parents were sent a letter earlier today with further details, and an invitation to meet the new teachers after Easter.

Goodbye also to Mrs Swinson, one of our trusty lunchtime supervisors, who finishes at Powell this week to begin work as an invigilator for exam season... thank you for all your hard work during your time with us, Mrs Swinson!

**ACTIVITY CLUBS**

Attached to this week's Headlines is the activity clubs list for the summer term. Places for all school led activity clubs can



Powell Corderoy Primary School, Longfield Road, Dorking, Surrey, RH4 3DF



Tel: 01306 883373 Email: [info@pcps.uk](mailto:info@pcps.uk) Web: [www.powellcorderoy.co.uk](http://www.powellcorderoy.co.uk)



Co-Head Teachers: Mrs Emma McLaughlin and Mrs Joanna Wilson

be booked online using our parents evening system. Please visit <https://powellcorderoy.parentseveningsystem.co.uk> to reserve a place for your child.

Mrs McLaughlin would like to offer two more sessions to this term's Art Club members after Easter (no charge), as the children spent a few of their sessions this term making scenery for the Year 3/4 production, and didn't get to do some of the activities planned as a result (and it was a fairly short term!) Please let the office know if your child attended art club and will **not** be coming for the two extra sessions. After this, art club will stop for the summer term.

**COMING UP AFTER EASTER....**

**Monday 16th April** - INSET Day

**Friday 20th April** - Years 5 and 6 Trip to Bough Beech Reservoir

Years 5 and 6 will be visiting Bough Beech Reservoir on Friday 20th April. **The coach will be leaving promptly at 9.00am** and will be returning by the end of the school day. Children should wear school uniform and bring a waterproof coat, as well as a packed lunch. Please do not send sweets, fizzy drinks or product containing nuts (including Nutella) and please remind children they are not allowed to eat or drink on the coach.

Have a lovely Easter break, and we'll see you again on Tuesday 17th April.

*Mrs McLaughlin and Mrs Wilson*  
Co-Head Teachers

**OFFICE INFORMATION AND REMINDERS** Email: [info@pcps.uk](mailto:info@pcps.uk)

	If you would like to purchase something from our <i>Wish List</i> please search for 'Powell Corderoy' in the Amazon Wish List search (under 'Your Friends'), and you'll find a wide range of useful educational resources, starting from just £2.99, that could be used across the school.y
---	---

**CALENDAR DATES** (Dates for the year are available in our online calendar, via the school website) **Changes appear in red**

<b>April 2018</b> Monday 16th Friday 20th Monday 30th April and Tuesday 1st May	<b>INSET DAY</b> Years 5 and 6 Visit to Bough Beech Reservoir Bikeability Level 1 Training Year 4 - Group A
<b>May 2018</b> Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd Thursday 3rd 9:10am Friday 4th Monday 7th	Bikeability Level 1 Training Year 4 - Group B Year 4 Class Assembly Pedals Course - Year 2 <b>BANK HOLIDAY</b>



Powell Corderoy Primary School, Longfield Road, Dorking, Surrey, RH4 3DF



**Tel:** 01306 883373 **Email:** [info@pcps.uk](mailto:info@pcps.uk) **Web:** [www.powellcorderoy.co.uk](http://www.powellcorderoy.co.uk)



**Co-Head Teachers:** Mrs Emma McLaughlin and Mrs Joanna Wilson

<p>Wednesday 9th 15:15 pm Thursday 10th 9.10am Monday 14th - Thursday 17th Monday 21st Monday 21st - Friday 25th Monday 21st - Friday 25th Monday 28th - Friday 1st June <b>June 2018</b> Monday 4th - Friday 8th Wednesday 6th Friday 8th June 9:30am - 13:00 pm Monday 11th - Friday 15th Thursday 21st Thursday 21st 9:10am Friday 29th 13:30 pm - 15:00 pm <b>July 2018</b> Tuesday 3rd Tuesday 3rd 13:30pm Friday 5th Wednesday 11th 15:15 pm - 16:00 pm Thursday 12th 14:00 pm and 18:00pm Monday 16th 14:30pm Thursday 19th 9:10am Friday 20th 9:10am Monday 23rd Tuesday 24th - Tuesday 4th September</p> <p><b>Terms Dates for 2018/2019</b> Autumn Term 2018 <b>Half Term</b> Spring Term 2019 <b>Half Term</b> Summer Term 2019 <b>Half Term</b></p>	<p>Year 6 Thames Young Mariners Parents Meeting Ducklings Class Assembly Key Stage 2 SATs Ladyland Farm Visit - Duckling Class Key Stage 1 SATs Year 6 Residential Trip to Thames Young Mariners <b>HALF TERM</b></p> <p>Healthy Lifestyles Week FOPCS - Bag2school Collection Sports Day and Family Picnic Year 1 Phonics Screening Check National Music Day Music Assembly Summer Festival</p> <p>Induction Day Reception Induction Meeting for new parents School reports go home Parent Drop-in Session Years 5 and 6 Production Parent Helper Thank You Tea Summer Term Awards Assembly Year 6 Leavers Assembly <b>INSET DAY</b> <b>SUMMER HOLIDAYS</b></p> <p>Tuesday 4th September - Wednesday 19th December <b>Monday 22nd October - Friday 26th October</b> Thursday 3rd January - Friday 5th April <b>Monday 18th February - Friday 22nd February</b> Tuesday 23rd April - Wednesday 24th July <b>Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May</b></p>
---	---

**FRIENDS OF POWELL CORDEROY SCHOOL**

Email: [fopcs@pcps.uk](mailto:fopcs@pcps.uk)

**USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS**



Powell Corderoy Primary School, Longfield Road, Dorking, Surrey, RH4 3DF



Tel: 01306 883373 Email: [info@pcps.uk](mailto:info@pcps.uk) Web: [www.powellcorderoy.co.uk](http://www.powellcorderoy.co.uk)



Co-Head Teachers: Mrs Emma McLaughlin and Mrs Joanna Wilson

## HEADLINES Thursday 29th March 2018

Powell Corderoy Governors  
Breakfast & After School Club  
Parent Council  
Surrey County Council: *Hotline to report concerns about a child*  
Child Line  
Family Line

01306 868165 chairofgovernors@pcps.uk  
07597 384789  
parentcouncil@pcps.uk  
0300 123 1620  
0800 1111  
0808 800 5678



Powell Corderoy Primary School, Longfield Road, Dorking, Surrey, RH4 3DF



**Tel:** 01306 883373 **Email:** [info@pcps.uk](mailto:info@pcps.uk) **Web:** [www.powellcorderoy.co.uk](http://www.powellcorderoy.co.uk)



**Co-Head Teachers:** Mrs Emma McLaughlin and Mrs Joanna Wilson