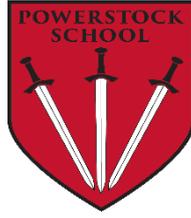


Powerstock Primary School



March Newsletter

Note from Mrs Greenham

Compassion is our school value this half term and it has never been more needed. I am so proud of everyone making such an effort to make our Ukraine fundraising day a success in raising over £400 and spending time together thinking what we can all do for those in need. The children were wonderful and all resolved to try to do the right thing and help others whenever we can.

On the 24th March, we stood together and said a prayer to mark a month since the invasion of Ukraine. President Zelensky made an appeal for everyone around the world to make a stand for freedom and support Ukraine on this sad day.



PSA

The response from the Matchbox challenge was amazing! I think everyone had fun trying to fit as many things as possible into the little box - our lucky winners were: Marlowe with £67 sponsorship and Finley with 50 items! They both received a book token. There were many runners up too.

Bank of dreams and Nightmares

We had a fantastic morning with the Bank of Dreams and Nightmares, a group that visits schools to create some fantastic story telling. Children were truly inspired and the creative juices were flowing! The group used strategies like a phonecall from the "bank manager" to an old-fashioned phone during the session - the children were intrigued! The stories will be presented to the school in a book shortly. Check out the website class pages for all the photos!

Class updates

To catch up on what your child is doing in school please go to:

<https://powerstock.school/learning/classes/burton-class/>
<https://powerstock.school/learning/classes/cogden-class/>
<https://powerstock.school/learning/classes/seatown-class/>



School Council / Green Planet

The school council have been busy again setting the task of designing a poster to put near every sink with the message that 2 paper hand towels is enough to dry hands! We are working towards our target of reducing our wheelie bins by one whole bin each week. Here are our winning entries:



World Book Day

We had a wonderful WBD this year, really engaging in reading across the school. We shared our favourite characters and why we love them so much. This is part of a real refresh of reading and making sure that every child can be a reader.



Science Explorer Dome

The Explorer Dome came to school! Rob and Matt arrived bright and early to put up the huge dome in Cogden Class to start off our day of science. We learnt that space is a difficult and dangerous place to be and constantly expanding meaning the position of planets and galaxies is always changing. We realised how important a space suit is to an astronaut – protecting them from extreme temperatures, fast flying dust and stopping their bodies from expanding! We watched a marshmallow man expand in a vacuum and explored design features of the space suit. Did you know that the visor is coated in a very thin film of gold to protect astronauts' eyes from the sun's rays? And then finally, before we visited the space dome, we tried in pairs to 'dock, an astronaut onto the International Space Station (a cup!)'.

We had an opportunity to discuss questions like: If humans lived on Mars, should it be split up into different countries? Should one country own all of space? What is valuable in space? Should it be finders keepers?



Ladybird Club

Gardening club started in the sunshine this week. The children planted lots of veg and made Mothering Sunday gifts of primroses. They also managed to fit in a snack of Kyla's homemade muffins too!



Cake Sale

Dylan and Arlo are busy preparing for a cake stall for Ukraine in Beaminster square 9-12am on Saturday morning. Please do help the cause and pop down to buy some delicious cakes or provide some for the stall!



Can you kick it? Message from Gina Randall, Bridport FA youth

U9 Bridport girls are looking for new players. If you have a daughter in year 4 and 3 and interested in training weekly and playing weekends, please contact Martha Gay On 07880341314.

Training takes place Mondays 5-6pm depending on the weather and term time the training will take place at Beaminster 3G or Salwayash playing field.



Dates for your diary

KS2 swimming each Monday—collection from Bridport Leisure Centre 3:15pm

Wednesday 6th April—You are invited to join in with our Easter ‘Journey’ morning—details to follow

Friday 8th April—Last day term

Monday 25th April—First day of term

Monday 25th—27th April —Seatown PGL Trip

Monday 9th May—SATS week

Friday 13th May—“Seatown Sail for a fiver” - details to follow

Thursday 26th May — Last day of term

Friday 27th May — School closed for the day due to Platinum Jubilee

Monday 6th June—Inset day—no children in school

Tuesday 7th June—First day of term

Monday 13th June —KS2 Exeter cathedral and mosque, more details to follow

Thursday 16th June— Burton trip to Washing Pool trip, more details to follow

Tuesday 5th July—Year 6 Salisbury Cathedral leavers service

Friday 22nd July—Last day of term