Newsletter May 2021





Now the better weather is here...



Just a reminder of how lucky we are to be in Powerstock!





The conker tree is getting leafy!

Can you kick it?

U7 Girls football training sessions starting Wednesday 9th June 2021.

Would your daughter like to play football? We have a qualified coach to deliver sessions every Wednesday at Salwayash 5pm-6pm. We are looking for current school year 1 and reception.



If you are interested and would like to REGISTER, please email bridportyouthfcchairman@outlook.com with daughters name, date of birth and a contact number.

Meet the The School Council!



Tom, Finley and Minka from Seatown Class
Marlowe and Milo (not in photo) from Cogden Class
Arlo, Sky and Annabelle from Burton Class

The council is doing some good work already including coming up with an action list and being very active in ensuring everyone has a lovely fun breaktime.

They have also been monitoring the amount of waste thrown away eventually to landfill from snacks and packed lunches. Here is a photo of just one class's daily snacks:



They are hoping that with their ideas they will be able to reduce this amount so that we don't have to spoil our planet. In our collective worship this term we have been focusing on Respect towards others and in particular, our world and the children have really been taking on the responsibility of looking after things and not wasting anything unnecessarily.

Have a look at what our assemblies look like this term: Respect assemblies

- Please do check out our **Esafety** page: <u>Click here</u> to see latest additions to keep your child safe online. It is worth revisiting the page to check out how you can set devices to stay safe. Our Internet Safety Policy is comprehensive and covers all aspects of life online for staff and pupils alike.
- Since the return of school in March **attendance** has been 95.8% which is great to see. Overall, Seatown Class have the best attendance with 98%!
- The **Powerstock School Association** will be meeting at their AGM on Friday 2nd July after our Celebration Assembly. Please do come and join us for a coffee and find out what plans the PSA have in store to help your child in school.
- Dorset Libraries are launching their Summer Reading Challenge again this year: Reading challenge This year it is Wild World Heroes theme!
- Covid safety news: Thank you all for being so brilliant and observing social distancing and mask wearing. We are sure it has made a difference especially back in the early part of the year. After half term staff will not be wearing masks whilst outside at drop off and collection times and will leave mask wearing to parents' discretion at those times.
- We know it is tricky sometimes but we really appreciate your considerate parking. This means that everyone can stand safely outside school at collection or drop off. Thank you.
- After half term we will be merging Cogden and Seatown class into one bubble during outside play.
- We will be saying a sad **Goodbye to Mrs Hallbery** after 10 years of service here at Powerstock School. She will be enjoying some lovely last week events in school ending with an assembly outside on Friday morning. We all wish her well and know that she will enjoy her new house and garden this summer! See her last photo at school below.

We have some lovely events planned for the children this summer, here's our diary so far:

Half term break up: Friday 28th May

Inset day Monday 7th June

School Games Week 21-25th June

Sailing for Seatown Monday 21st June

Futsal Competition at Colfox Tuesday 22nd June

KS2 Sports Day Thursday 24th June

KS1 Sports Day Friday 25th June

KS2 visit to the Ancient Technology Centre Monday 28th June

<u>Trip</u>

Cross Country KS2 Tuesday 29th June

PSA AGM Friday 2nd July

After Celebration

Assembly

Break up for Summer Holidays Friday 23rd July

Thank you all for your continued support - we really appreciate it!

COVID-19 school absence checker

Based on your child's current symptoms, would you have kept them off school before COVID-19?



Do they have at least one symptom of COVID-19?

- A new, continuous cough
- A fever of 37.8°C or above
- A loss or change in smell or taste



Your child should go to school.

This includes children who have runny noses, sore throats and mild colds, as long as they have no symptoms of COVID-19.

If your child has a serious underlying health condition, seek advice from their healthcare professional.

Find more advice at 111.nhs.uk





Keep your child at home.



Keep your child at home and book a COVID-19 test for them online or by calling 119.

Your household must selfisolate until you have the result.



Goodbye Mrs Hallbery!



We will miss you!

