## Powerstock Primary School



## September Newsletter

We have been very busy since the beginning of term, settling back in and of course welcoming in our new Reception children! The new children have done so well learning all new routines and getting to know the school. Our older pupils have all been wonderful, helping out and being super role models to the younger children. If you have a child who will join Reception in September 2022 or you know someone that does, please do book a visit to look round and have a chat.





Meet our new Reception children!



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It is getting chillier! Could you please make sure your child has a warm, waterproof coat for our many visits outside! We are also holding our collective worship outside when all meeting together so we want everyone to enjoy it and keep warm. Please make sure that all items worn or brought into school are named, it really helps! Please restrict any pocket toys to small toys that can fit in a pocket and preferably no soft/plush toys just so that we can keep things squeaky clean.



At this time of year, we prepare for our usual Harvest service but again this year, sadly it will be limited to just the children in school. We are working on different themes and the children will share their work including songs, poems and art with Reverend Chris when he visits for his fortnightly assembly in the playground. This year I am delighted to say that we will resume our donation of food to Cupboard Love food bank in Bridport to mark harvest this year: Cupboard Love. Please bring in any non-perishable food items to school in the week of 11-15<sup>th</sup> October and we will forward it all to the food bank.

You may hear "Cauliflowers fluffy" being sung at home this week as we are getting ready for Harvest service. Mrs Cleden has been teaching our new children this old favourite of ours! For music this year, we are using 'Charanga.com' in school for all listening skills, creating and exploring, singing and performing. In the spring Cogden class will be learning the ukulele ready for an end of term performance. This is done through the Dorset Music Hub—every child will get a ukulele to practice with :-)





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We are holding Bikeability sessions for Seatown Class on 8th, 9th and 10 November where we get an invaluable chance to learn important life skills. Further information to follows:

You should receive information about our parents' evenings this term. We are keeping things virtual this term as infection rates are still stubbornly high in this area and we want to protect our school as much as we can. Please do book in for a Zoom meeting, we are looking forward to seeing you!

Each class has been running a collective marathon in the hope of raising money for the Make-a-wish foundation and they have thoroughly enjoyed the challenge. We hope this sort of activity will embed the idea of being active in each of the children and knowing that the sky's the limit when it comes to sporting endeavours!



Archery with Paul Kingston and PE with Ryan Hobby are going well and the children seem to love this varied approach to physical education. We are taking great care in inviting in coaches from outside the school and making sure all Covid-19 measures are followed.









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## **Science in Action**





Year R's making new friends and exploring!





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