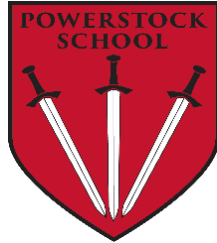


# Powerstock Primary School

Learning together to be the best that we can be ~ for every child, life in all its fullness.  
*I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. John 10:10*



## October Newsletter

### Bank of Dreams and Nightmares

As the term progresses, we are making sure our curriculum is broad and rich as always this year. One way of doing this is to invite people into to broaden the experience for the children. All writers from years 4,5 and 6 were delighted to welcome back the Bank of Dreams and Nightmares, a local company from Bridport who come into school with a host of volunteers to create a story that then goes to press. Each child then brought home a copy of their collaborative writing project - fabulous!

Harvest soup making is today where children bring in just one item of veg to join in a collective chopping and stirring morning to then enjoy the soup together at lunch time. We hope the children will continue their learning about food, understanding how a simple, locally grown vegetable can turn into a cheap, nutritious meal.



We will hold a Harvest Collective Worship on Friday morning (21<sup>st</sup> Oct) where classes will share their understanding of the Christian festival of Harvest. This will include some art, poetry and reading and involve each child. You are most welcome to come to this and other Friday mornings when we have our usual Celebration Assemblies to share good work and golden tickets. It is a great opportunity to see what your child does in school.

## Parents

Reminder: As part of our Flourishing 360 idea where the whole child is in focus, we have planned a Careers Day on Tuesday, 8th November, where parents come into school to share their occupation. Please book in if you can - we really want to show children that there is something for everyone with your help!

If you have any time to spare, we need more adults in school listening to readers. Give the office a ring or email if this appeals to you! It is a great chance to be involved with school and get a feel of what we do as a school. Contact: [office@powerstock.dorset.sch.uk](mailto:office@powerstock.dorset.sch.uk)

## Attendance

We are working hard to ensure that every child has their right to access education and really value your support in our goal for every child to have good attendance. Please have a look at our website for details of regulation around attendance and our mission.

<https://powerstock.school/47076-2/> There is also important information on lateness and unauthorised absence.

We monitor attendance closely daily and whilst we understand that pupils may be unavoidably absent if they are ill and cannot attend school, we expect each child to be in school every day. This half term, Reception children in Burton Class have the best attendance in the school with so many children across the board having over 97% or in many cases 100%! Fantastic!

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# Open Day

# Powerstock School

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2022





## Cooking Club

Cooking club has been a brilliant addition to after school and enjoyed by this smiley lot!

If you'd like your child to take part next term please email the school office.



## Burton Class

Burton Class were amazed to find a huge beanstalk growing in their classroom last week...! Overnight it seemed to have grown from the door to the whiteboard. The children were all wondering if someone lived at the top and how it got there in the first place! Some fantastic traditional tale writing was done after such a great start to the day - well done Mrs Oxenbury and team!



## Reminders

- Please label ALL your child's clothes and shoes - we spend a lot of time trying to find whose jumper is whose, with many clothes ending up in lost property.
- No phones to be used in the playground please - to safeguard all our children.
- Please return your Home/School Agreement form with preferences regarding sharing of information.
- Please return any slips/money for trips.
- Last chance to order any individual or sibling photos. Please email the school office.

## Dates for your Diary

Friday 21st October—Harvest assembly 9-10am

Friday 21st October—Last day of term and PSA Spooky Disco

Monday 31st October—Inset day—no children in school

Tuesday 1st November—First day of term for children

Monday 7th November—Wednesday 9th November—Seatown Bikeability

Tuesday 8th November—Careers day

Friday 11th November—Hobbies Day

Wednesday 16th November—Open morning for 2023 Reception intake

Friday 18th November—Children in Need

Thursday 1st December—Flu vaccinations—all years

Friday 2nd December—Sport for Champions afternoon

Sunday 4th December—PSA Christmas Fayre

Monday 5th & Tuesday 6th December—PSA in school to make Christmas decorations

Thursday 8th December—PSA movie night

Tuesday 13th December—Nativity Burton Class

Wednesday 14th December—Local Food Links Christmas dinner

Thursday 15th December—PSA Christmas Grotto

Friday 16th December—Last day of term

Tuesday 3rd January—Inset day—no children in school

Wednesday 4th January—First day of term for children