January 22, 2017

Good Afternoon Powell Families, this is school Principal Curtis Brower with your weekly school message.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter ends on Tuesday and we are half way though the school year. Report cards will be sent home on Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>.

First semester Domains ended on Friday. We will continue with electives through this Friday. New electives and domains will begin next Tuesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>.

It's show time! We are very excited to see the Lion King performance this week. We will have two evening performances on Thursday, January 26<sup>th</sup> and Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup> both at 7:00 PM. Our students and staff have been working very hard to learn their lines, dances, and songs. You will not want to miss this amazing performance.

It's hard to believe but it's time for Kindergarten Registration for 2017-2018. If you are a base family assigned to Powell and have an incoming Kindergartener, please come to Powell and register for Kindergarten as soon as possible.

Magnet families, please remember that you must register incoming Kindergarteners at your base school before you can apply for a Magnet seat at Powell. 5<sup>th</sup> grade parents, please remember that you must apply for a magnet seat to continue on your magnet pathway. The magnet application site is now live through January 31<sup>st</sup>. Don't delay, apply today! Also, please encourage your neighbors, friends and coworkers to come take a tour of our fabulous school and consider applying for a magnet seat.

Congratulations to 5<sup>th</sup> grader Jada Wiley for winning our school wide Spelling Bee. Our runner up this year was 2<sup>nd</sup> grader Ruth Ann McCallie. Each of our spellers did a great job. We wish Jada well as she goes against other Wake County schools in the district bee. Special thanks to Mrs. Fox for organizing and overseeing our spelling bee and to WRAL new anchor Ken Smith for pronouncing.

We will begin our quarterly benchmark assessments this week in Reading and Math. Students in 2<sup>nd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade will take the assessments during their regular instructional time.

This past Saturday was the kickoff for the WAKE Up and Read campaign. From January 21 - March 3, WAKE up and Read will collect new and gently-used books for children ages birth-12. The goal is to collect 110,000 books. Our school is a collection site. Please drop off your donations in the school lobby. For more information or to volunteer with this campaign, please contact our Media Special Jessica Gill.

This Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup> is a snow make up day. We look forward to seeing all of our students on Friday.

Have a great week!