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Weekly Bulletin

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The start of the week got off to a rather sluggish start after many of the children, (and staff), watched the football on Sunday evening and we were unable to burst in to a rendition of 'It's Coming Home' during our Monday assembly. However, the clouds were certainly lifted as Juniper Class treated us to an assembly linked to their learning of a range of 'tuned percussion' this term, which they have completed with the support of the Hampshire Music Service, and it was great to welcome so many parents and carers to this assembly too.

Our Reception and Key Stage 1 pupils were also visited in school on Thursday morning by the School Nursing Team to learn more about healthy eating. They took part in a range of engaging activities and hopefully the children took note of some of the key messages, as I have never seen children so excited when learning about dental hygiene!

And finally, with the last full week of the year nearly complete, our Year 6 pupils are certainly finishing with a flourish as they spent the early part of the week completing their Bikeability training in order to become more competent, confident and safe when riding their bikes, (which I'm sure you will agree is a very important life skill), with this being followed up with a train trip in to London and a visit to the National Gallery yesterday. It is a great way for them to end the year, and it is always pleasing to hear positive comments about our pupils and as the Bikeability team left the school on Wednesday they commented, 'Potley Hill, just like always, what a lovely school and a great bunch in Year 6!'

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr B Ellis
Headteacher

Diary Dates

July 2024

Monday 22nd – Y6 Leavers Assembly @ 6pm

Tuesday 23rd – Last day of term (School finishes @ 3.20pm)

September 2024

Monday 2nd – INSET Day - School Closed

Tuesday 3rd – Autumn Term Starts for pupils in Y1-Y6, Home visits for new YR pupils

Wednesday 4th – New Reception pupils start

Monday 23rd – Friday 27th Y6 PGL Residential

Celebration

These pupils are being celebrated this week in class.

Lunchtime Supervisor Nomination: Lucas R

Class	Lead Learner	Star of the Week	Weekly Attendance*
Oak	Isla D	Maisie C	96%
Maple	Ayah A	Maddi B	97.14%
Juniper	Theo V	Bleu J	96.15%
Aspen	Kaison J	Harvey W	97.93%
Redwood	Adam J	Olivia M	96.45%
Bonsai	Sophie G	Josiyah V	97.2%
Katsura	Ruby H	Zennon H	91.85%
Rowan	Samuel W	Fraser J	98.46%

*Highest weekly class attendance in bold print

Potley Point Totals:

Blue – 215 Red – 313

Yellow – 324 Green – 299

Balloon Race

Congratulations to Leo A who won the balloon race at the Kids Out event in June. His balloon travelled approximately 100 miles to the South coast!! He takes home £25 prize money and the Rotary Club have kindly donated a further £25 to the school. Well done Leo!!

Summer Redevelopments

When school closes its doors next Tuesday for the end of the 2023-24 academic year, whilst it will provide staff and pupils a well-earned opportunity to relax and recharge in readiness for September, the school will remain a hive of activity with a number of planned redevelopments taking place. The final renovations to the bus will take place, both inside and out, and it will be in use from September as the 'Nurture Nook.' In addition to this, a new server is being installed which will improve the speed and useability, (both present and future), of our computer systems, whilst the pupil toilets throughout the school are getting a much-needed lick of paint and freshen up.

Also, if you're having a sort out over the summer, Ms Ward would welcome any old kitchen items - pots, pans, utensils, and any old garden tools - spades, forks, hand tools, as she looks to replenish the outdoor learning area. If anyone has links with a garage Ms Ward is also looking for 6 or 8 old car tyres for the children to enjoy too. Feel free to bring these items in to school next week or speak to Ms Ward for further information.

An 'exciting' summer holidays lies ahead for the premises and we look forward to sharing these exciting upgrades when we return in the autumn term. However, if you are looking for 'exciting' but affordable things to do over the six week's holiday, click [this link](#) to take you to a document on our website which has lots of ideas of things to do across the wider Yateley area during the summer.



Breakfast Club & After School Club Play Workers

Join our team based at Potley Hill Primary School,
Potley Hill Road, Yateley from September.
You must enjoy working with children and be able to
work well in a small team.
Hours are Mon-Fri 730am-9am and 3pm-6pm term time.
Optional extra hours are available at our
holiday clubs.

The ideal candidate will have previous experience
working in a childcare setting.
Relevant qualifications and childcare experience is
preferable however consideration and full training
will be given for the right person.
Offering competitive rates of pay.
For further info or an application pack please
email: theafterschoolclub2011@yahoo.co.uk
An enhanced DBS check is required.

Potley Hill Help Out (x2) Saturday 21st September 10am – 1pm

Following on from the success of our first 'Potley Hill Help Out,' which was held back in early June, we would like you to save the date of Saturday 21st September for the next one. Many hands really do make light work, and the school site on that day will be open from 10am until 1pm and any parents/carers/ grandparents who might be able to spare an hour, (or more), to help with a range of manual jobs would be greatly appreciated. The focus for improvement on this occasion will be to 'spruce up' the area outside Reception and Year 1, which was highlighted by a number of parents and carers in a recent survey as an area they would improve if they were Headteacher for a day, so why not come along and lend a hand? (Teas, coffee, soft drinks and sweet treats provided)!

School Dinner Price Rise effective from 2nd September 2024

When we return to school in September, Education Catering are increasing the price of a school meal by 20p to £3.20 per meal (£16 per week). Parents are asked please to ensure that they have paid for all meals taken this term by Tuesday 22nd July and then bear in mind the price increase when putting money on their child's/children's dinner account(s) for September. Thank you.

Potley Hill Primary School Menu April – October 2024 £3.00

Daily sandwich choice (Mon/Thurs: Cheese, Tues/Fri: Ham, Wed: Tuna) and cold tomato pasta will also be on offer each day. These choices are in addition to the main menu options below.

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/c 9 & 30 th Sept, 21 st Oct	Tomato pasta	Sweet potato and lentil curry with white and brown rice	Margherita pizza	Vegetable wellington, roast potatoes & gravy	Roasted vegetable lasagne
	Chicken fajita with brown and white rice	Pork Sausages with mashed potato & gravy	Bubble salmon with crinkle cut wedges	Sliced beef with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes & gravy	Baked fish fingers with chips
	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad
	Chocolate shortbread biscuit	Fruit & Jelly	Banana Cake	Chocolate sponge pudding	Jam and coconut sponge cake
Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/c 22 nd July, 16 th Sept, 7 th Oct	Vegetarian sausage roll with mashed potato	Cheddar cheese and tomato quesadilla with diced potatoes	Margherita pizza	Quorn and leek pastry crown, roast potatoes & gravy	Plant based burger in bap with cheese and chips
	Macaroni Cheese	Chicken katsu curry with brown and white rice	Ham carbonara with penne pasta	Roast chicken with Yorkshire pudding, roast pot. & gravy	Baked fish fingers with chips
	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad
	Shortbread biscuit	Fresh fruit wedges	Apple sponge cake	Marble sponge cake	Chocolate brownie
Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/c 2 nd & 23 th Sept, 14 th Oct	Cheddar cheese, onion and potato pasty	Plant based sausage hotdog with diced potatoes	Margherita pizza with crinkle cut wedges	Quorn pieces in a Yorkshire pudding with roast potatoes & gravy	Cheddar cheese and potato frittata
	Chicken nuggets with diced potatoes	Chicken curry with brown and white rice	Beef bolognese pasta bake	Sliced gammon with Yorkshire pudding, roast pot. & gravy	Baked Fish fingers with chips
	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad
	Marble shortbread biscuit	Apple crumble	Chocolate banana cake	Lemon drizzle cake	Flapjack