



Dream Big, Aim High
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Weekly Bulletin

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Dear Parents and Carers,

With our Year 6 pupils visiting their secondary schools this week, together with Mr Farrer and Miss Clarke spending some time at their new schools too, the past few days have certainly felt as if change is in the air! I know our Year Sixes enjoyed the opportunity to spend a day, (or two), meeting their new classmates but we are looking forward to seeing them perform their end of year play next week. If rehearsals are any indication, I think the whole school are in for a treat when they get the chance to watch it on Monday.

When it comes to change, we regularly speak to the children about how it is a necessary part of life and there are always some changes we can control and others we can't. Moving up a school year is a change that will happen in September and this coming Thursday, 11th July, our pupils will have the chance to meet their new class teachers (or in some cases continue to spend time with familiar faces). For some children this change is exciting, but for others it will come with some worries. However, we will be discussing with the children next week the importance of our school value of 'resilience' when it comes to change whilst also trying to give them strategies to help them manage this.

With transition taking place and the various events included in the 'diary dates' at the top of the page, it does mean we are fast approaching the end of term. With this in mind, please keep an eye out for your child's end of year report, which will be sent home as a hard copy next Friday 12th July. This will provide further details about the progress your child has made this year together with providing some next steps so they continue to flourish next year too, and hopefully you will find it informative and helpful.

What has certainly been helpful for me this week are the comments and contributions many of you have made through the survey which was included in the class allocation letter sent out last week. Containing only two questions, it should take no longer than 5 minutes of your time to complete, so if you haven't yet done so then please click [here](#) to provide your feedback on the strengths and next steps of our school before the survey closes on Monday morning.

And finally, two school trips have taken place this week with Year 5 going on a Geography Field Trip around Yateley while Reception visited Brooklands Aviation and Motor Museum, (which also included a very exciting trip on a minibus too). These opportunities really do enrich the learning experiences of our children and they had a great time this week, and whilst I am aware some of these experiences come at a cost to parents, without your financial support they wouldn't be able to take place, so thank you for this.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr B Ellis
Headteacher

Diary Dates

July 2024

Tuesday 9th @ 1.30pm, Wednesday 10th @ 1.30 & 6.00pm
– Y6 End of Year Production of 'Rock Bottom'
Wednesday 10th - Maple Class Assembly
Thursday 11th – PPHS Transition Morning for 2024-25
Friday 12th – End of Year Reports to Parents
Monday 15th – Year 2 HMS Music Assembly @ 11am
Monday 15th – Future Y6 PGL Residential Meeting @ 6pm
Monday 15th to Wednesday 17th – Y6 Bikeability
Thursday 18th – Y6 Trip to the National Gallery
Monday 22nd – Y6 Leavers Assembly @ 6pm
Tuesday 23rd – Last day of term

Celebration

These pupils are being celebrated this week in class.

Lunchtime Supervisor Nomination: Declan R

Class	Lead Learner	Star of the Week	Weekly Attendance*
Oak	Mason J	Wynter D	98.67%
Maple	Teddy R	Ella B	97.86%
Juniper	Poppy P	Anaya C	96.15%
Aspen	Kaelyn T	Natalia C	98.62%
Redwood	Sienna T	Leo A	99.03%
Bonsai	Lilah P	Seth W	94%
Katsura	Richard K	Hannah D	93.7%
Rowan	Cassius T	Ryley B	98.08%

*Highest weekly class attendance in bold print

Potley Point Totals:

Blue – 129 Red – 104

Yellow – 127 Green – 99

Timestable Rockstars:

Most Active & Improved – Bonsai Class

PHPS Election 2024 – The Result

The votes have been counted after every child, (and staff member), in school today cast their vote for what they would like the 'colour teams' to be called. (It must be highlighted that the election was overseen by Mr Ellis and Mrs Neville – Chair of Governors, and the children took their responsibility of voting incredibly seriously and did so in an impeccable manner).

After a keenly fought election campaign, the results are in and the winner of the PHPS Election 2024 was:

Athletes

Well done to the lead campaigners for all of the groups for taking part, and unlike yesterday's General Election, (which clearly didn't need a recount), this vote was a very close call but Athletes were the clear winners. This has been a great opportunity for the children to see democracy in action and so from September the 'colour teams' will be called:

Raducanu	Williamson
Farah	Peacock

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The extra-curricular activities that are planned for each week are below.

We will endeavour to run extra-curricular activities whatever the weather.

However, if any activities need to be cancelled, we will contact you via Arbor.

Please collect your child from the gate at the lower end of the top playground at 4.15pm from school-run clubs.

Monday

Years 1 & 2 – Lego Club
Miss Barton Oak classroom (20 pupils)
NB. Not on Monday 8th July

Years 2 & 3 – Recorder Club
Mrs Wilding Music Room (20 pupils)

Year 5 Girls Maths (invite only)
Miss Miles/Mrs Richards
Katsura/Bonsai classrooms

Judo 4 Juniors
School Hall Years 1 - 6
[Click here for more information](#)

Wednesday

Years 3 – 6 Rounders Club
Mrs Bailey Playground/Field (20 pupils)

The Performers Place (Theatre School)
Redwood Class Years R - 2
<http://www.theperformersplace.co.uk/>

Thursday

Years 3 to 6 History Club
Mrs Smith Aspen classroom (12 pupils)
Please note this is not running Thurs 12th June

Years 1 & 2 Picture Book Club
Mrs Wallace (invite only)

PHPS PTA Refreshment Sale - Friday 12th July 2024

Next Friday, 12th July, our Potley Hill PTA will be selling refreshments at the end of the school day to help raise more money which will contribute towards school funds, (let's just hope the ice cream van doesn't turn up this time and try to steal the PTA customers!).

We will also have our second-hand books available for you to take a look at and make donations for too.



Kidz R Us

JOB VACANCY

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 Primary School Menu April – October 2024 £3.00

Now that we have moved to the new Summer menu, Jacket Potatoes will no longer be served. Instead, there will be a 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 15 th July, 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 8 th July, 2 nd & 23 rd 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