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Weekly Bulletin

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Last Saturday saw the first 'Potley Hill Help Out' morning and what a difference it has made to the school environment! With over 25 volunteers helping out in some way shape or form during the morning, we were able to freshen up both of the internal courtyards, make a start on the Reception playground and also move forward with the painting and redevelopments on the bus. The willingness of so many people to 'roll up their sleeves and get stuck in' is greatly appreciated so thank you to everyone who helped.

There have been further opportunities for parents to come in to school over the past week too with Bonsai Class treating everyone to a wonderful class assembly on Wednesday morning, during which they shared their vast knowledge of light whilst also treating us to a calypso song! Also, many of you have paid a visit to the Book Fair this week and due to your contributions, the school took £1197.36! This is a fantastic amount and as has previously been explained this means that we will receive money from Scholastic to spend on books to help replenish our library stock so thank you for your support.

All parts of the 'primary curriculum' are important but none more so than 'Relationships, Sex and Health Education' for which there is a specific policy which can be found [here](#). In line with DfE requirements we need to provide parents an opportunity to feedback on this policy, therefore we will be holding an RSHE Curriculum Parent Workshop in the School Hall on Friday 28th June at 3.30pm so if you would like to discuss this policy and it's contents with us then please do come along.

And finally, a few weeks ago our Year 6 pupils completed their SATs, however this week it has been the turn of some of our younger pupils. Whilst the Y4 Multiplication Tables Check and the Y1 Phonics Screening don't receive as much national attention, these are still important assessments which help the DfE monitor the standard of education in schools across the country. Well done to all of our Y4 & Y1 pupils who completed these assessments this week, and thank you to the staff involved for ensuring they went smoothly.

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you all on Thursday afternoon for Sports Day!

Mr B Ellis (Headteacher)

Diary Dates

June 2024

Wednesday 19th – Rowan Class Assembly
Thursday 20th – Sports Day (pm)
Friday 21st – INSET DAY (School Closed)
Friday 28th June – Break the Rules Day
Friday 28th June – Class Allocation for 2024-25
Friday 28th June – RSHE Curriculum Parent Workshop 3.30pm

July 2024

Wednesday 3rd & Thursday 4th – Y6 Yateley School Transition
Thursday 4th – Y6 FCC Transition
Thursday 4th – YR to Brooklands Museum
Thursday 4th – Y5 Geography Field Trip to Yateley
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 – PHS 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: Alice L

Class	Lead Learner	Star of the Week	Weekly Attendance*
Oak	Sadie R	Dominic E	97%
Maple	Lena Rose S	Ophelia T	95.71%
Juniper	Molly B	Ellis M	96.92%
Aspen	Lexi H	Sebastian G	94.48%
Redwood	Finnley B	Robbie B	98.06%
Bonsai	Poppy C	Lucas T	94%
Katsura	Annebella NB	Jack T	97.41%
Rowan	Inaaya H	Issy R	95.77%

*Highest weekly class attendance in bold print

Potley Point Totals:

Blue – 158 Red – 220

Yellow – 103 Green – 189

Timestable Rockstars:

Most Active & Improved – Rowan Class

Mrs. Stark

Mrs Stark, who has been a teacher at our school for over 20 years, will unfortunately not be returning to her teaching role at Potley Hill Primary School in the future. After becoming unwell in September 2023, she has been unable to make a full recovery and has made the tough decision to step away from teaching in order to prioritise her health. Due to Mrs Stark teaching in Reception & Key Stage 1 for a number of years, many of our current pupils would have been taught by her in some way, therefore it is clear to see the significant positive impact she has had on our school. I know many parents, pupils and staff would like the opportunity to say goodbye to Mrs Stark but sadly she is too unwell to do so at the current time. However, I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for all of the hard work and dedication she has shown over the past 20 years to Potley Hill Primary School and congratulate her on a distinguished 40-year teaching career, and I am sure you will join me on wishing her well in her recovery and for the future.

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)

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)

School Council - Sports Day Cake Sale

On Thursday 20th June 2024, following our Sports Day, School Council will be holding a 'Cake Sale' on the playground and we would like to ask parents/carers to support with this by contributing cakes. If you want to get baking that would be great or if you would like to provide some 'shop bought cakes,' all donations would be greatly appreciated, (although we must insist that the cakes do not contain nuts). Please hand any cake donations to your child's class teacher on Thursday 20th, and please remember to bring in some loose change to spend on the cakes at the end of the afternoon. All money raised will go to the school and we look forward to your support with this fundraising event.

School Council



My Happy Mind – Bronze Accreditation

We are delighted to say we have been invited to apply for the 'Bronze accreditation' from My Happy Mind. The whole school have found this a really successful strategy for helping us manage our mental health concerns and to incorporate healthy habits into our daily lives. If you have yet to download the parent app, you can do so by clicking [here](#). You will need to enter your name, email address and authentication code, (116059).

Also, part of the accreditation process requires parental feedback so we would be grateful if you could complete [this feedback form](#) and we look forward to receiving your testimonies!

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 24 th June, 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 1 st & 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 17 th June, 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