



Dream Big, Aim High
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Weekly Bulletin

2023-24 No:111 Friday 7th June 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

Before I share with you many of the engaging activities that have happened in school this week, in the last bulletin I forgot to thank the PTA and the many volunteers for their hard work with the PTA Discos before half-term. Whilst a disco is always popular with pupils and raises money to support with school projects, (and this one raised more than £500), without the support of parents and carers who supervise the event they wouldn't be possible, so thank you.

To start the half-term, I led a whole school assembly on Monday to raise awareness with pupils about the commemorations taking place this week marking the 80th Anniversary of the D-Day landings. It is vitally important for the children to know that the sacrifices made that day allow them to enjoy the many freedoms and opportunities they have today.

Not all learning this week has been as sombre, with classes launching their new curriculum projects with hook events taking place including a visit from the 'Science Dome' on Wednesday, which was enjoyed by Years 1, 4 & 5, (in slightly different ways), and a Maya Workshop today for Year 3. Information about the curriculum projects this half-term has been added to the website and will also be sent home via Seesaw in order for parents to be aware of the learning coming up for pupils over the next few weeks.

As always, this learning is complimented by additional opportunities and this week it was the turn of the girls' football team to bring their season to a close. They took part in a round robin finals event at Samuel Cody with the other local league winners and despite results not quite going their way they should be incredibly proud of their success over the course of the season, well done to all involved.

And finally, we are making the last arrangements for our annual Sports Day, which will be taking place on Thursday 20th June, but it will start at 1.00pm and finish by the end of the school day so keep an eye out next week for more detailed information.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards

Mr B Ellis
Headteacher

Diary Dates

June 2024

Saturday 8th – Potley Hill Help Out 10am -1pm

Monday 10th to Thurs 13th – Book Fair in school

Wednesday 12th – Bonsai Class Assembly

Monday 17th June – RSHE Curriculum Parent Workshop 6pm

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

July 2024

Wednesday 3rd & Thursday 4th – Y6 Yateley School Transition

Thursday 4th – Y6 Transition to FCC

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

Friday 23rd – Last day of term

Celebration

These pupils are being celebrated this week in class.

Lunchtime Supervisor Nomination: Zade K-L

Class	Lead Learner	Star of the Week	Weekly Attendance*
Oak	Althea F	Bruce S	96%
Maple	Saskia VB	Theo S	92.86%
Juniper	Cohen R	Edith S	95.77%
Aspen	Elijus K	Mia R	94.83%
Redwood	Sienna T	Miyah V	98.71%
Bonsai	Liam L	Christina W	90.8%
Katsura	Kristen T	Adam W	98.89%
Rowan	Luella J	Sophia B	95%

*Highest weekly class attendance in bold print

Potley Point Totals:

Blue – 126 Red – 203

Yellow – 200 Green – 142

Timestable Rockstars:

Most Active & Improved – Katsura Class

Welcome to New Members of the Potley Hill Community

On Wednesday evening it was wonderful to welcome in to school the parents of our new Reception pupils for an information evening. They had the opportunity to see the Reception learning space and recently refurbished Year 1 classroom, whilst also learning a little more about our school. Together with this, they also met their child's Reception Class teacher, Mrs Kate Guillaume, who will be joining us from Finchampstead Primary School. In September we will also be welcoming Miss Rachel Gregory as a Key Stage 2 teacher who joins us from Kings Furlong Junior School in Basingstoke. They will both join our current staff on the INSET Day in June to get to know us better whilst also being in school for the transition day in July. We look forward welcoming Mrs Guillaume and Miss Gregory, together with our new Reception pupils to the school community in September.

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)

The Potley Hill Help Out Saturday 8th June 10am – 1pm

Thankyou in advance to those of you who have informed us you will be coming along tomorrow to be part of the 'Potley Hill Help Out.' The projects that will be focussed on during the day will be cleaning and priming the inside of the bus so it is ready for a final lick of paint before putting in furniture for its future use together with painting and 'sprucing up' the internal courtyards. If you are coming along then please head to the School Office anytime from 10am and the many hands will make light work of these manual jobs. Hopefully it will be the first of a number of these events to come together to help freshen the school up!



'A book is a gift you can open again and again.'

The ever-popular Book Fair is in school next week from Monday 10th – Thursday 13th June. Every class will have the opportunity to visit during the school day and parents/carers are also able to come along and see what's on offer in the School Office on those days from 8.30-8.50am and 3.20-3.50pm. As well as the books there will also be a wide range of stationery on offer and please remember that we receive a quantity of free books for the school based on your purchases.

As a school we also spend a considerable amount of money on reading books each year to refresh and replenish our library stock. Sometimes books may get misplaced, but they've got to end up somewhere so as we enter the last half-term please can you search under beds, in cupboards, down the back of the sofa or even in school bags for those 'lost library' books and return them to school so that Mrs Wilding has a clearer idea of what needs to be replaced.

Thanks in advance for your support with both of these initiatives.

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 10 th June, 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