



Dream Big, Aim High
& Make a Difference

Weekly Bulletin

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you had a wonderful break over the Easter holidays and whilst it might not have been full of endless sunshine, hopefully you enjoyed the opportunity to make memories with your children.

The children were welcomed back to school on Monday with an assembly related to our vision of 'dream big, aim high and make a difference,' as these qualities together with our school rules and values make us special. The children have demonstrated all of these fantastic qualities this week because it has been like they were never away with the school being settled and purposeful as always. In addition to this, it has also been great to welcome Mrs Leighton (Maple Class Teacher) and Sally-anne Ward (Family Support Worker) to the school and I am sure you will get to know them more over the coming weeks and months.

One of the other pleasing aspects of this week has been the high level of attendance. Whilst this is pleasing and has built upon good levels of attendance for the vast majority of pupils throughout the year, the week before the Easter break was not quite the same with our average dropping to 93%. With the summer months and nicer weather fast approaching please refrain from taking children out of school for term time holidays, whether this is for a day or two to create a long weekend or an extended holiday, but for further information about the implication of this please do see our [Attendance Policy](#).

The sporting fixtures have got back underway this week with the Boys Football Team putting on a solid display against Hook Juniors in the cup quarter-final yesterday but eventually losing 4-1. Despite this loss they are still in contention for the league so will need to get back to winning ways quickly but well done to all those who took part.

And finally, all of our Year 4 pupils will be visiting Runways End Adventure Centre for the first part of next week so we hope they all have a great time, including the staff who will be attending to ensure the trip is able to take place!

Have a lovely weekend!

Mr B Ellis
Head Teacher

Diary Dates

April 2024

Monday 22nd – Y3 to Wisley Gardens
Monday 22nd – Weds 24th – Y4 Runways End Residential
Tuesday 30th – Class Photos

May 2024

w/c 13th – Year 6 SATs Week
Friday 17th – Careers Day
w/c 20th – Walk to School Week
Thursday 23rd – PTA Disco
Monday 27th – Friday 31st HALF-TERM (School Closed)

Celebration

The following pupils have been chosen to be celebrated this week by their class teacher.

Lunchtime Supervisor Nomination: Anaya Cheeseman

Class	Lead Learner	Star of the Week	Weekly Attendance*
Oak	Logan H	Archie G	96.67%
Maple	Katya M	Elliot P	99.64%
Juniper	Pipe S	Cohen R	94.62%
Aspen	Isaac R	Farrah D	95.86%
Redwood	Olivia M	Oliver S	92.9%
Bonsai	Charlie A	Lilah P	96.15%
Katsura	Scarlett M	Ruby H	95.93%
Rowan	Susie P	Evelyn C	98.85%

*Highest weekly class attendance in bold print

Potley Point Totals:

Blue – 116 Yellow - 128
Red – 160 Green – 64

Timetable Rockstars:

Most Active & Improved – Juniper Class

Careers Day – Friday 17th May 2024

Back in January we put out the first advert for our Careers Day for all pupils on Friday 17th May 2024. School Council want pupils to have a day to truly 'dream big and aim high' about their future career and learn about a wide variety of jobs ranging from dentist to doctor to decorator! If you are available to come in to school during the afternoon of Friday 17th May to talk to the children about your job, what skills you need to do it and maybe what you might have done as a child to prepare for it, then please contact the School Office.

We will arrange the finer details of this event over the next few weeks when we know the number of volunteers we have but if you are a parent/carer/grandparent who might be interested in doing this then please do get in touch. Thank you for your support.

Daunt Books – Runner-up!

A big well done to Ruby H in Katsura Class who came runner-up in a national writing competition. The Children's Short Story Competition, run by Daunt Books, was open to children from across the country and her story titled 'The Ashford Murder' secured a runner-up prize. Well done to Ruby and she should feel incredibly proud her writing achieved national recognition.

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 6 Booster Clubs (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)

Year 4 - Multiplication Club (invite only)
Mrs Wilson and Mrs Gathercole Kidz R Us room

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)



Maple Class (above) and our 'nurture room' (below) were renovated over the Easter holidays and I am sure you will agree how different the learning environment looks. Juniper Class was also painted with Katsura Class getting much needed new flooring whilst an office has also been created for Sally-ane Ward our new Family Support Worker. A big thankyou to Mr Williams for all of his hard work and efforts with these projects over the holidays.



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 April, 6 th May, 3 rd & 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 22 nd April, 13 th May, 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 29 th April, 20 th May, 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