



Dream Big, Aim High
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Weekly Bulletin

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The week started with an exciting event for Oak Class as they all went on their very first school trip. The pupils made the most of this opportunity as they enjoyed seeing the wide range of animals at Odds Farm but I also know the coach trip was an experience in itself too! Hopefully this trip will be the first of many fantastic outings the pupils will have throughout their time at the school.

On a sporting note, this week saw a number of Year 4 girls having the chance to represent the school at a 'Kurling & Archery' event at Calthorpe Park on Tuesday evening. Mr Farrer reported that they all represented the school with distinction and their experience helped contribute to a 'very lively' intra-house Kurling Competition within Year 4 later in the week.

I have previously reported that the school's attendance rates have been high this year, and I am pleased to say this continues to be the case so thank you for your support with this. However, please be mindful that term-time holiday requests are unlikely to be authorised in line with expectations outlined in our Attendance Policy, (please see [here](#) for further information), and if 10 school sessions are unauthorised it will lead to a fixed penalty notice. In addition to this, with the arrival of the wintery weather this has led to an increase in the flow of traffic on the Frogmore Community Campus over the past few weeks so please bear this in mind, when dropping off in particular, as the gates will still close at 8.50am.

And finally, our week came to a more sombre end with our annual Remembrance assembly. The school community came together to commemorate all families and communities impacted by war, and we were especially delighted to be joined by Jason Cartwright from Yateley & Hawley Royal British Legion together with Cllr Peter Wildsmith who is Chairman of Hart District Council. It is always a pleasure to show visitors to the school and Jason shared with the pupils some of his own experiences together with telling them a little more about where everyone's generous 'poppy donations' go while Peter spoke about the role councillors play within the local community. Following a wonderfully recited version of 'In Flanders Fields' by Years 5 & 6 everyone took part in an impeccably observed minute's silence to bring our assembly to a close. However, some School Councillors will be laying wreaths St Barnabas Church and Yateley War Memorial on Sunday to ensure we also pay our respects across the wider community.

Kind regards

Mr B Ellis - Head Teacher

Diary Dates

November

Sunday 12th – deadline for Fraser Portraits orders
w/c 13th – Kindness Week
w/c 13th - Bookfair in school
Monday 13th – 'Odd Socks Day'
Friday 17th – Children in Need
Monday 20th – Y6 SATs Parents Information Evening
Friday 24th – St. Barnabas Carols on the Green @ 5.30
Monday 27th – INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday 28th – Y1 to Milestones Museum
Wednesday 29th – Redwood Class Assembly
Wednesday 29th – NHS Flu Immunisations

Celebration

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

Lunchtime Supervisor Nomination: Fatima K

Class	Lead Learner	Star of the Week	Weekly Attendance*
Oak	Tilly-Mae B	Xander G	98.65%
Maple	Elliot P	Jasmine B	99.33%
Juniper	Ellis M	Amelia R	96.4%
Aspen	Farah D	Brylee W	91.72%
Redwood	Corben G	Oscar E	99.35%
Bonsai	Seth W	Clara W	95.38%
Katsura	Jack T	Bhavya S	98.15%
Rowan	Evelyn D	Taylah M	98.46%

*Highest weekly class attendance in bold print

Potley Point Totals

Blue – 205 Yellow - 341
Red – 410 Green – 271

Timetable Rockstars

Most Active & Improved - Aspen Class

Book Fair

The Bookfair is in school all of next week because the more money you spend the more money it generates for us to spend on books within school so, please head towards the 'Food Tech Room,' (on the back corner of the Reception playground near the car park), both before and after school. Whilst at the Book Fair you will also see the winning entries of those pupils who took part in the competition which required them to take a picture of themselves reading in an unusual place. The full list of winners were; Althea F, Alexis S, Edith S, Lawson W, Ollie C & Kristen T. Well done to the winners, who received a gift voucher to spend at the Book Fair, and to all those who took part in the competition.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

These are the extra-curricular activities that are planned for each week.

We will endeavour to run extra-curricular activities whatever the weather. However, if any activities need to be cancelled, we will contact you by ParentMail.

Please collect your child from the gate near the gazebo at 4.15pm from school-run clubs.

Monday

Years 1 & 2 – Drawing & Colouring Club
Miss Barton Oak classroom (20 pupils)

Years 1 & 2 – Storytelling Club
Mrs Stark Maple classroom (20 pupils)

Years 4 to 6 – Young Voices
Mr Ellis & Mrs Wilding Music room (30 pupils)

Year 6 Booster Clubs (invite only)
Miss Miles/Mrs Richards Katsura/Bonsai classrooms

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

Tuesday

Years 1 to 6 Well-Being Club (invite only)
Mrs Elkins & Mrs Watson Oak classroom

Wednesday

Bustagroove - (Street Dance in School Hall)
Years R-2 bustagroove.info@gmail.com

Thursday

Years 3 to 6 – French Club
Mrs Smith Aspen classroom (12 pupils)

Years 3 to 6 Multi-Sports Club (invite only)
Mr Farrer Playground

School Council Update & Kindness Week

Dear Parents/Carers,

This coming week, (13th – 17th November), is Kindness Week at Potley Hill Primary School. This links to National Anti-Bullying Week and World Kindness Day, this means that children can wear 'odd socks' to school on Monday 13th November, to show that everyone is unique in their own way. Hooray!!

Following this, Friday 17th November is **Children in Need** where children can bring in £1 (or more would be preferred) to wear pyjamas for the day. The children will cosy-up to listen to stories in school at the end of the day at 2:30! You can also bring your own little teddy or soft toy to help with making it cosy but it can be no bigger than 30 centimetres.

The money raised next Friday 17th will go towards supporting Children in Need. Also, as a School Council our chosen charity to support this year is a new charity called 'Hart Wildlife Centre.' This charity supports animals in need and [click here](#) to find out more information.

Thank you for supporting this School Council fundraising and remind your child to wear Odd Socks on Monday (13th) and bring £1 (or more) to wear your pyjamas on Friday (17th).

Kind regards

Sophia, Christina & Nichalo (School Council Members)

Potley Hill Primary School Menu October 2023 – March 2024 £3 per day

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/c 30 th Oct, 20 th Nov, 11 th Dec, 15 th Jan, 5 th Feb, 4 th & 25 th March	Plant-based burger in a bag with diced potatoes	Tomato pasta	Margherita pizza with diced potatoes	Quorn chicken pieces in a Yorkshire pudding roast potatoes & gravy	Sweet potato and lentil curry with white and brown rice
	Spaghetti bolognese	Italian style chicken goujons with diced potatoes	Chicken and oriental style vegetable rice	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
	Yoghurt, fruit and mini shortbread biscuit	Chocolate brownie	Fruit and Jelly	Lemon drizzle sponge	Shortbread biscuit
Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/c 6 th & 27 th Nov, 1 st & 22 nd Jan, 19 th Feb, 11 th March	Meat free hotdog with diced potatoes	Roasted vegetable lasagne	Margherita pizza with crinkle cut wedges	Vegetable pastry crown, roast potatoes & gravy	Cheddar cheese and potato frittata
	Cottage pie	Chicken nuggets with diced potatoes	Ham carbonara with penne pasta	Roast chicken with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes & gravy	Baked battered fish and 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
	Yoghurt, fruit and mini shortbread biscuit	Apple flapjack	Fruit and Jelly	Victoria Sponge	Jumble biscuit
Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/c 13 th Nov, 4 th Dec, 8 th & 29 th Jan, 26 th Feb, 18 th March	Cheddar cheese and tomato quesadilla with diced potatoes	Macaroni cheese	Margherita pizza with crinkle cut wedges	Meat free sausage puff, roast potatoes & gravy	Vegetable and bean burrito
	Pork sausage roll with diced potatoes	Chicken curry with brown and white rice	Bubble salmon with crinkle cut wedges	Roast chicken with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes & gravy	Baked fish fingers and 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
	Yoghurt, fruit and mini shortbread biscuit	Love cake	Fruit and Jelly	Chocolate orange sponge	Marble shortbread biscuit