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Weekly Bulletin

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Dear Parents and Carers,

With the sound of children singing Christmas songs becoming ever more frequent as we enter the final month of 2024, our last school day of November is proving to be exceptionally busy. Many children have received their flu immunisations at school today from NHS staff who commented on how lovely and polite the pupils were, (well done all)! Then later this afternoon some staff and PTA members will be running a stall at 'The Lighting of Frogmore's Christmas Tree' near St Barnabus Church. The fun starts from 5.30pm so why not wrap up warm and head down for the 'switch-on' together with some community carols?

However, the fun doesn't stop there for some of our pupils as children from years 3&4 have the opportunity to take part in a 'school sleepover' tonight which will help prepare them for the overnight residential that takes place later in Year 4. It will be a lovely opportunity for them to spend the evening with their friends before settling down in familiar surroundings for a full 12 hours sleep, (at least that's what I'm hoping for anyway)! This is an experience that we want to offer to all pupils as they move through the school and will be included in our updated Pupil Guarantee which will be shared with parents in the Spring Term.

Another one of the commitments we aim to make to all pupils is that they have the opportunity to represent the school in a sport, and earlier this week a small group of Y5&6 pupils took part in a Table Tennis tournament. Whilst they all acquitted themselves admirably, due to their success both Ruby & Olivia have secured a place at a Hampshire wide tournament scheduled to take place in the New Year, so well done to them and we look forward to updating you on how they get on.

And finally, thank you to everyone who completed the 'Uniform Survey' in last week's bulletin. Once I have analysed the feedback a working group will be created, which will include those parents who volunteered their involvement, and we will aim to have some next steps to share with you in early 2025.

Just a reminder that there is an INSET Day on Monday where staff will be furthering their knowledge about outdoor learning, but we look forward to seeing you back in school on Tuesday.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr B Ellis (Headteacher)

Diary Dates

November 2024

Friday 29th – Y3&4 Sleepover at School
Friday 29th – Darby Green Christmas Tree Lighting

December 2024

Monday 2nd – INSET DAY (School Closed)
Wednesday 3rd – Prospective Parents Tour @ 9.30am
Tuesday 10th & Wednesday 11th – PTA Elfridges
Thursday 12th – Nile & Thames Class to Milestones Museum
Thursday 12th – Onyx Class to Winchester Science Museum
Monday 16th – YR, 1&2 Christmas Performance @ 2.15pm
Tuesday 17th – YR, 1&2 Christmas Performance @ 9.15am
Tuesday 17th – Y5&6 Christmas Performance @ 2.15pm
Wednesday 18th – Y5&6 Christmas Performance @ 9.15am
Wednesday 18th – Y3&4 Christmas Performance @ 2.00pm taking place at St Peter's Church, Yateley
Thursday 19th – PTA Christmas Fundraising Dress-up
Friday 20th – PHPS Christmas Lunch & Jumper Day
Friday 20th – Last day of term

January 2025

Monday 6th – INSET Day – SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday 7th – Pupils return to school
Wednesday 8th – Prospective Parents Tour @ 9.30am
Wednesday 15th – Y5 Artist Workshop
Thursday 16th – Y3 to Butser Farm
Friday 17th – Y6 Railway Safety Workshop
Thursday 23rd – PTA 'The Little Recyclers' (clothes donations)

'Coffe and Connection Morning' Reminder

The final 'Coffe and Connection Morning' for this term will round off with a session focussing on 'Chores! What should I expect my child to help with at home?' so head along to the School Hall at 9am next Thursday and join the conversation.

Celebration

These pupils are being celebrated this week in class.

Lunchtime Supervisor Nomination: Samuel W

Class	Lead Learner	Star of the Week	Weekly Attendance*
Nile	Anopa B	Esmae W	95.38%
Thames	Bruce S	Olive R	94.67%
Amazon	Riley H	Teddy R	96%
Danube	Theo V	Elisa M	98.26%
Yangtze	Beth S	Elsie B	95.48%
Onyx	Eyla R	Finnley B	99%
Orinoco	Aleena H	Susie P	86.19%
Zambezi	Taylah M	Annabelle M	97.37%

*Highest weekly class attendance in bold print

This week's Potley Points results are:

Raducanu – 278 Williamson – 247

Peacock – 228 Farah – 225

Timestable Rockstars:

Most Active – Onyx Class

Most Improved – Danube Class

Community Orchard Planting Update

Thursday 5th December 2024

Following the postponement of the tree planting due to the extremely wet conditions, the rescheduled date will be this coming **Thursday 5th December**. Once again can I ask that **all pupils come in to school on Thursday wearing clothes and footwear appropriate for outdoor learning which you don't mind getting muddy, (e.g. old, warm, dry)**. Hopefully the weather will be a little more friendly next week which will allow every pupil to play their role in the planting, but we will let you know if there are any changes to the arrangements.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Please collect from the gate halfway up the playground at 4.15pm for:

Art Club Recorders
Board Games Space Club

Please collect from outside the school office at 4.15pm for:

Cooking Club

Please collect from outside the school office at 4pm for:

Picture Book Club

Please collect from Zambezi class door at 4.15pm for:

Year 6 Girls Booster Club

PTA Christmas & New Year Fundraising

With the support of parents and staff during the second Potley Hill Help Out session together with recent work carried out by external contractors, a previously underused area of the Reception playground has been astroturfed and is ready to be used with the agility pack, (currently on pallets), in order to support our youngest children with their physical development. However, the next much needed improvement will be to replace the stage with an alternative fixed structure and the money for this is being raised by the PTA. Therefore, in the diary dates above you will see a number of PTA fundraising events in the next few weeks which will contribute towards these improvements.

Also, if you are sorting through any old/used clothes over the next few weeks then if you could keep hold of them because the PTA will be asking for these to be donated on Thursday 23rd January as part of the ['The Little Recyclers'](#) fundraising initiative.

Please keep an eye out for separate communications with further information about these great fundraising initiatives and thank you in advance for your support with them.

MONDAY

Year 1 & 2 Art Club (max 12)
Mrs Wilson & Mrs Watson - Amazon

Year 6 Girls Booster (invite only)
Miss Miles/Mrs Richards - Zambezi/Orinoco

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

Tuesday

Year 5 Cooking Club (max 8)
Mrs Kent & Mrs Wetherill - Food tech
Second Half-term only

WEDNESDAY

Year 1 & 2 Board Games (max 16)
Mrs Leighton - Amazon class

KS2 Recorder Club (max 20)
Mrs Wilding - Music room

THURSDAY

Years 1 & 2 Picture Book Club
Mrs Wallace & Miss Miles (invite only) -
Zambezi/Amazon

KS2 Space Club (max 21)
Mrs Smith - Danube

Frogmore Infant & Junior schools, St Barnabas Church,
Spring Pre-school, and Yateley Town Council

Invite you to

The Lighting of Frogmore's Christmas Tree



On Friday 29th November
at 6.00pm

Bell Lane, Frogmore – on the green outside the Church

Bring a torch and maybe an umbrella!

Come and join us for carol singing
and meet Father Christmas

Hot dogs, mulled wine, hot chocolate,

Tea and coffee, from 5.30pm

Potley Hill Primary School menu October 2024 to April 2025 - £3.20 per meal

Daily Jacket Potato with choice of cheese/baked beans/tuna mayo filling and hot tomato pasta will also be on offer each day. These choices are in addition to the main menu options below.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/c 16 th Dec, 20 th Jan, 10 th Feb, 10 th Mar	Veggie Bolognese pasta	Vegetarian sausage roll with crinkle cut wedges	Homemade Margherita pizza	Plant based sausage and Yorkshire pudding roast potatoes & gravy	Somerset cheddar cheese and onion quiche
	Chicken katsu curry with brown & white rice	Ham carbonara with pasta	Sticky honey glazed chicken with brown & white rice	Sliced beef with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes & gravy	Fish fingers with chips and beans
	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	Fruit, mousse or jelly	Rice crispy cake	Fruit, mousse or jelly	Ginger sponge
Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/c 2 nd Dec 6 th & 27 th Jan 24 th Feb, 17 th Mar	Plant based hotdog with half portion of diced potatoes	Roasted vegetable lasagne	Homemade Margherita pizza	Quorn pieces in a Yorkshire pudding roast potatoes & gravy	Sweet potato and lentil curry with brown and white rice
	Chicken curry with brown and white rice	Pork sausages with mashed potatoes & gravy	Bubble salmon and crinkle cut wedges	Sliced chicken with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes & gravy	Fish fingers with chips and beans
	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 Pudding	Fruit, mousse or jelly	Honey biscuit	Fruit, mousse or jelly	Lemon drizzle sponge
Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/c 9 th Dec 13 th Jan, 3 rd Feb, 3 rd & 24 th Mar	Macaroni cheese	Veggie cottage pie	Vegetable and bean burrito	Quorn and pastry crown	Cheese and potato frittata
	Beef chilli con carne with brown and white rice and tortilla chip	Chicken nuggets with diced potatoes	Handmade BBQ pizza topped with chicken	Sliced pork with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes & gravy	Fish fingers with chips and baked beans
	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 brownie	Fruit, mousse or jelly	Jammy shortbread biscuit	Fruit, mousse or jelly	Toffee apple sponge