



Dream Big, Aim High
& Make a Difference

Weekly Bulletin

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As the end of Autumn Term fast approaches, it has been an incredibly busy time in school that has culminated in pupils coming to school today in festive outfits to enjoy our Christmas lunch. With various Christmas performances, the PTA Christmas Fayre, trips, 'Crafternoon' and a number of other Christmas themed activities, they have all provided a range of different, (and hopefully fun), experiences for the children. All pupils should feel proud of their achievements in the performances over the past few weeks too and it was wonderful to have audiences full of so many parents, carers and grandparents to experience them, so thank you for your support with these.

All of the events that have taken place in the last few weeks, (and the rest of the term), require lots of hard work, dedication and preparation to ensure they go smoothly. The group of people who are responsible for this are the hard working staff at Potley Hill Primary School and I am incredibly grateful to each and every one of them for their commitment to provide the best education and experiences for all our pupils!; they really do 'dream big, aim high and make a difference.'

However, with the end of term it also means we are saying goodbye to a number of people including Miss Hook, (Penguin Class teacher), who leaves us to become a Nursery teacher in the New Year. She has been a valued member of the school community for 8 ½ years and is likely to have taught the children of many of you who are reading this and so I am sure you will join me in wishing her the very best of luck in her new role.

Also, we said farewell to one of the school's most frequent visitors, Reverend Lerys Campbell from St. Barnabas Church. He will be leaving the parish in January and so he visited the school for one final time during our assembly today and we wish him well with all of his future endeavours.

And finally, I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support throughout the past term at Potley Hill Primary School, it really is appreciated. I would like to wish all the members of the school community, (pupils, parents, staff and governors), a very Merry Christmas and we all look forward to welcoming the pupils back to school on Wednesday 4th January 2023!

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Kind regards

Mr B Ellis
Head Teacher

Diary Dates

January

Tuesday 3rd – INSET DAY (School Closed)

Wednesday 4th – Spring Term starts (Pupils return to school)

Thursday 5th – Y4&5 Anglo-Saxons – Portals to the Past

Friday 6th – Y6 Ancient Greeks – Theatre Exchange

Tuesday 10th – Y6 SATs Meeting @ 6pm

Wednesday 18th – Young Voices @ the O2 Arena

Celebration

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

Class	Lead Learner	Star of the Week	Weekly Attendance*
Butterfly	Thea W	Theo S	95.67%
Flamingo	Poppy P	Molly B	76.43%
Penguin	Harley W	Beth S	90.34%
Turtle	Eyla R	Teddy N	92.33%
Dolphin	Davut Y	Liam L	91.92%
Panther	Reyon S	Summer M	89.26%
Leopard	Kristen T	Adam W	93.33%
Lion	Hollie H	Sophie C	82.35%

*Highest weekly class attendance in bold print

Potley Point Term Totals

Blue - 1662

Yellow - 1873

Red - 2142

Green - 1703

Timestable Rockstars

Most Active & Improved – Panther Class

Competition Winners

Our pupils were invited to take part in two competitions run by local estate agents earlier this month. We are pleased to announce that Eyla R (Turtles) was a competition winner with Mackenzie Smith and Kayden L (Panthers) was a competition winner with Waterfords. Well done to everyone who took part and the winners.



Termly Awards

Below are the names and awards given out in our end of term assembly to pupils throughout the school.
Each and every child should feel incredibly proud for being chosen for these awards by staff.

Termly Trophies	STEP Badges	Handwriting Heroes	Termly Headteacher Awards
Barrett (progress) – Blake S (Turtle)	Elliot P - Reception	Jasmine B - Reception	Dexter S – Butterfly
Kaufmann (citizenship) – Zennon H (Leopard)	Genevieve L - Year 1	Piper S - Year 1	Amelia R – Flamingo
Bailey (reasoning) – Kayden L (Panther)	Sophia S - Year 2	Kaelyn T - Year 2	Jamie G – Penguin
Fletcher Boys writing – Charlie B (Lion)	Callum B - Year 3	Fatima K - Year 3	Miyah V – Turtle
Fletcher Girls Maths – Natalia S (Penguin)	Eva P – Year 4	Penny L – Year 4	Grace S – Leopard
Roedellington (100% effort) – Poppy P (Flamingo)	Clara W -Year 5	Angelo A -Year 5	Isabelle R – Panther
Clarke (environment) – Jenson H (Penguin)	Edward L – Year 6	Sophie C – Year 6	Amber C – Dolphin
			Jessica Pren. – Lion

‘Tis the season for technology

Technology is always high on the list of presents requested from Santa by children from across the world and this year will be no different. Setting up this new technology and relevant apps can prove challenging for parents but if you click [here](#) you will be provided with a range of helpful tips on how to make any device as safe as possible for your child to use. Also, if you want to access any of the other online safety tips that have been shared throughout this term then click [here](#) and it will take you to the e-safety section of our website where they can all be found.

SCHOOL MEALS - £2.85

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/c 31 st Oct, 21 st Nov, 12 th Dec, 16 th Jan, 6 th Feb, 1 st & 27 th March	Nacho bites and diced potato and sweetcorn	Roasted vegetable pasta and peas	Margherita pizza, crinkle cut wedges, sweetcorn and green beans	Quorn chicken and gravy in a Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes and vegetables	Macaroni cheese and peas
	Pork sausages and mashed potato, gravy and carrots	Chicken katsu curry with rice and peas	Bubble salmon, crinkle cut wedges, sweetcorn and green beans	Roast chicken and gravy, Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes and vegetables	Baked fish fingers, tomato ketchup, chips and baked beans
	Ice cream with fruit selection	Lemon drizzle cake	Shortbread	Brownie	Mixed desserts
Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/c 7 th & 28 th Nov, 2 nd & 23 rd Jan, 20 th Feb, 13 th March	Vegetarian bolognaise, carrots and green beans	Mexican bean burrito and sweetcorn	Margherita pizza, diced potato and peas	Quorn chicken and mushroom pasty, roast potatoes, gravy and vegetables	Baked bean and cheese quesadilla with chips and peas
	Sausage roll, diced potato, carrots and green beans	Chicken nuggets, crinkle cut wedges and baked beans	Italian pork meatball, marinara pasta and peas	Roast beef, Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes, gravy and vegetables	Baked battered fish, chips and peas
	Ice cream with fruit selection	Victoria sponge	Shortbread	Apple sponge and custard	Mixed desserts
Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/c 14 th Nov, 5 th Dec, 9 th & 30 th Jan, 27 th Feb, 20 th March	Cheese and onion slice with crinkle cut wedges and peas	Tomato pasta with green beans	Margherita pizza, crinkle cut wedges and green beans	Vegetable goujons	Sweet potato and lentil curry, white and brown rice and peas
	Beef burger in a bun, crinkle cut wedges and peas	BBQ chicken meatballs with diced potatoes, broccoli and sweetcorn	Salmon fishcake and sweet potato wedges and green beans	Roast pork, Yorkshire pudding, mash potato, gravy and vegetables	Baked fish fingers, tomato ketchup, chips and baked beans
	Ice cream with fruit selection	Iced vanilla sponge	Shortbread	Fruit crumble and custard	Mixed desserts