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Weekly Bulletin

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Earlier this week I had the pleasure of spending time in all classes across school with our Hampshire School Advisor. The day formed part of Hampshire's school-to-school support system which monitors the quality of education across schools in the county whilst also checking that safeguarding systems are robust. After spending time looking at writing across the school together with phonics in Reception and Year 1, Mr Dawson also spoke with a number of pupils and school staff before speaking to some members of the Governing Board. This process celebrated all of the good practice that takes place at Potley Hill on a day-to-day basis and he particularly commented on the wonderful behaviour of all pupils which is enabled by the positive relationships all staff have with the pupils. However, like any monitoring process we also identified some next steps in our school improvement journey which we will focus on in the coming months but it was an extremely positive way to start the week.

In addition to the high quality learning taking place in classes this week, Penguin Class also had an enriching day at Marwell Zoo where they saw many of the animals they have been learning about up close and personal! Also, on the sporting front there has been a mixed but productive week with the Girls Football Team beating Westfield Juniors 2-1 on Tuesday whilst our Netball Team suffered a defeat against Greenfields Juniors yesterday in their first game of the season. A big well done to all who took part!

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards

Mr B Ellis - Head Teacher

Diary Dates

February

Tuesday 7th – Parents Evening 3.30 – 6.00
Thursday 9th – Parents Evening 4.30 – 7.00
Friday 10th – Break the Rules Day
Monday 13th – Friday 17th Half-term
Monday 20th – Pupils return to school
Wednesday 22nd – Leopard Class Assembly
Friday 24th – Y1 @ Windsor Castle

March

Wednesday 1st – PTA Meeting @ 7.30pm
Thursday 2nd – World Book Day
Wednesday 15th – Flamingo Class Assembly

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	Cade L	Luna C	97.58%
Flamingo	Theo V	Amelia R	91.28%
Penguin	Harley W	Mia R	96.72%
Turtle	Modaser N	Miyah V	94.92%
Dolphin	Sophie Gou	Thomas E	95.87%
Panther	Oscar W	Oliver TM	95.09%
Leopard	Hunter D	Angelo A	97.14%
Lion	Riley Mcg	Shanza K	94.6%

*Highest weekly class attendance in bold print

Potley Point Totals

Blue - 176 Yellow - 262
Red - 244 Green - 160

Timestable Rockstars

Most Active & Improved Class – Panthers

NEU Industrial Action

May I take this opportunity to thank all parents, carers and pupils for their understanding regarding the difficult decision taken last week to close the school on Wednesday 1st February 2023 as a result of Industrial Action taken by the NEU. You may also be aware that the NEU have published an additional three dates of possible Industrial Action in March, (Thursday 2nd, Wednesday 15th & Thursday 16th). These dates might have an impact on the provision for pupils at Potley Hill and I would once again look to notify you of any impact on the school's ability to safely open as soon as I am able to. We intend to take all necessary measures to open the school to as many pupils as possible on these days, including those children of critical workers, but further information will be shared after half-term.

Safer Internet Day – Tuesday 7th February

This coming Tuesday we will be supporting National 'Internet Safety Day' at Potley Hill Primary School. This year's theme is 'Want to talk about it?' which focusses on the importance of 'chatting' about their online lives and encourages children to help shape the future of online safety support.

Further guidance for parents and carers can be found on how you can best talk to your child about their online lives by clicking on this short [video](#). Also, this leaflet called [Digital Lives](#) provides some further top tips on what to discuss with your child. It can also be found on our school website together much more information related to [online safety](#).

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.

After all school-led activities, please collect your child from the gate near the gazebo.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (External Providers in red)

Monday	Wednesday	Thursday
<p>Years 1 & 2 - Board Games Miss Barton Butterfly Classroom (20 pupils)</p> <p>Years 1-6 – Lego Club Mrs Elkins & Mrs Watson Nurture Room (20 pupils)</p> <p>Judo 4 Juniors – (Judo in School Hall) Years 1-6 Click here for more information</p>	<p>Years 1 & 2 – Fine Art Mrs Stark - Flamingo Classroom (10 pupils)</p> <p>Years 3 – 6 Art Attack Mrs T Wilson – Turtle classroom (20 pupils)</p> <p style="color: red;">Bustagroove (Street Dance in School Hall) Years R-2 bustagroove.info@gmail.com</p>	<p>No school-led clubs this Thursday due to Parents evening.</p> <p style="color: red;">Bustagroove - (Theatre School in School Hall) - Years R-3 bustagroove.info@gmail.com</p>

Library Renovation

The library has played a big part in school life this week as both Flamingo and Penguin Classes have taken a trip on Frogmore Community College's minibus to Yateley Library. Hopefully the visit is the next step on their journey to become lifelong readers. In addition to this, the installation of the School Library within the building took place on Wednesday thanks to the grant given to us by Wellington College and it will put books right at the heart of the school. At the moment however, books are the one (pretty major) thing missing because we will be transferring them all from the bus with the support of the Hampshire Library Service. Therefore, if you have any school library books at home then please return them by next Friday 10th February 2023 so that we can do a full audit of both the quantity and quality of books before stocking the shelves of the new library after half-term.

Pupil Premium Funding

At Parents Evening next week we will have laptops available in the School Hall for parents to complete an online application form linked to additional funding the school might be entitled to on your behalf called [Pupil Premium](#). By completing this form it might also be identified that your child is entitled to a free school meal. We will be giving a lollipop at Parents Evening to the pupils of parents who complete the form there and then, but you will need to have your National Insurance Number to hand to do so. Alternatively, you might want to complete the form right now, if so simply click [here](#) and thank you in advance for your support with this.

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