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Weekly Bulletin

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Dear Parents & Carers,

It's certainly been another busy week at Potley Hill Primary School with lots of engaging learning taking place including investigations linked to light, World War I poetry and children being inquisitive about the Mayans. In addition to this there was also a whole school Remembrance Service, (more on this on the next page), the last of the Prospective Parents tours and a very excited Year 1 going on their first school trip to Milestones Museum, (and hopefully by the time you read this they will have returned safely having had a fantastic day).

Next week at school we will be marking the national 'Anti-Bullying Week' but we will be calling our version of this event 'Kindness Week.' There will be a range of different opportunities throughout the week for the children to explore what kindness is and why it is important to be kind, whilst also acknowledging what to do when people aren't kind. I will be launching the week with a Kindness Assembly but also children are encouraged to come in to school on Monday wearing 'odd socks' to represent the fact that we're all unique and that's what makes us special.

As part of 'Kindness Week' it is also fitting that 'Children in Need' falls within it which helps to highlight with children the importance of being kind and supportive to those that need it most. As you will all be aware the BBC show takes place on a Friday, but due to years 3 & 4 having a Mayan workshop on that day, we will be raising money for **Children in Need on Thursday 18th November** and School Council have asked for pupils, (and staff), to come in to school in appropriate **pyjamas, onesies or dressing gowns** on that day instead of school uniform. All pupils are asked to donate at least £1 for this privilege and 50% of the money raised will go to Children in Need, (We kindly ask that all donations be made in coins or cash).

The other half of the money will go towards supporting the School Council's chosen charity this year which is [Naomi House & Jacksplace](#). All fundraising events throughout this academic year will in some way help these hospices support life limited and life threatened children and young adults, and as we move through the year the pupils, (and parents), will learn more about the good work they do.

Enjoy your weekend.

Mr B Ellis - Head Teacher

Diary Dates

November

w/c 15th – Kindness Week & Bookfair
Monday 15th – Odd Socks Day
Thursday 18th – Children in Need
Friday 19th – Y3&4 Mayan workshop
w/c 22nd – Y6 Bikeability

December

Thursday 9th @ 9.15am – Reception Nativity
Thursday 9th @ 2.30pm – Year 1 Nativity
Friday 10th @ 9.15am – Year 1 Nativity
Friday 10th @ 2.30pm – Reception Nativity
Monday 13th @ 2.30pm – Year 2 Performance
Tuesday 14th @ 9.15am – Year 2 Performance
Tuesday 14th @ 1.45pm – KS2 Festive Extravaganza (on playground)
Wednesday 15th – PHPS Christmas Day (PTA fundraising, Xmas jumpers, Xmas lunch, Xmas parties)
Thursday 14th @ 1.45pm – KS2 Performance (on playground reserve date)
Friday 15th – Last Day of Term (School finishes at normal time)

Celebration

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

Class	Lead Learner	Bee Award
Butterfly	Genevieve L	Theo V
Flamingo	Max W	Harley W
Penguin	Kaelin C	Aiden L
Dolphin	Sophia B	Antonia V
Turtle	Kayden-Kane W	Lilah P
Stingray	Jack T	Alice L
Panther	Shanza K	Charlie B
Lion	Amber W	Amber P
Leopard	Thomas W	Ethan H

Team Point Totals

Blue - 11
Red - 62

Yellow - 36
Green - 54

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Tuesday

Years 3 & 4 Netball Club
Mrs. Smith – School Playground (25 pupils)

Years 1 & 2 Gardening Club Miss Barton School Grounds (20 pupils)

Thursday

Years 5&6 Hockey Club Miss Anstey – 3G (25 pupils)

Years 3&4 Football Club Mr Farrer – 3G (25 pupils)

Remembrance

If you follow us on Twitter (@potleyprimary) you will have seen pictures of the school community coming together to mark Armistice Day and to remember anyone who has been impacted by conflict. All adults and pupils held a minute's silence together on the playground in the sunshine at 11am. As part of the commemorations pupils also listened to the Last Post being played together with some thought provoking World War I poetry from Lucy, Lola-Belle, Alisha and Will C in year 6. In addition to this, all classes have made a poppy wreath which will be taken to St. Barnabus Church and a wreath will also be presented on Sunday morning as part of the Remembrance Day service on behalf of the school.



Parent Survey

Just a reminder for you to complete the Parent Survey sent via Parentmail on Thursday 4th November if you haven't already done so. All feedback is greatly appreciated and the survey will close at 9am on Monday 15th November.

Book Fair

Yet another reminder! The Book Fair will be coming to school next week and the opening times are 8.30 - 8.55am and 3.15 - 4pm Monday 15th to Thursday 18th November. To avoid having too many people in the hall at one time, we request that parents visit the Book Fair on different days according to the year group their child is in, as follows:

- Monday 15th November - Year R, 1 and 2
- Tuesday 16th November - Year 3 and 4
- Wednesday 17th November - Year 5 and 6
- Thursday 18th November - Any year

SCHOOL MEALS Nov/December - Meals are £2.50 per day

Potley Hill Primary School Menu 1st November – 17th December 2021

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/B 1 st Nov, 22 nd Nov, 13 th Dec	Vegan spaghetti bolognaise	Vegetarian sausages, mashed potato and gravy	Pizza Potato crispers	Vegan mince and potato Pastry parcel	Somerset cheddar cheese and tomato Quesadilla (no beans)
	Sausage roll, diced potatoes	Creamy chicken pasta	Chicken curry with rice	Sliced beef, Yorkshire pudding	Fish fingers, chips, tomato ketchup
	Veg of the day	Veg of the day	Veg of the day	Veg of the day with roast potatoes, gravy	Veg of the day
	Vanilla ice-cream and fruit salad	Chocolate pudding	Oat and raisin cookie	Rice pudding and fruit compote	Cold desserts
Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/B 8 th Nov, 29 th Nov	Sweet potato and lentil curry	Macaroni cheese	Pizza	Vegetarian cottage pie with gravy	Free range omelette with cheese and tomato
	Pork sausages, mashed potato, gravy	Lemon and herb chicken and cous cous	Vegetarian goujons	Turkey meatloaf, mashed potato, gravy	Battered fish, chips, tomato ketchup
	Veg of the day	Veg of the day	Potato crispers, veg of the day	Veg of the day	Veg of the day
	Vanilla ice-cream and fruit salad	Fruit crumble and custard	Gingerbread	Coconut and jam sponge	Cold desserts
Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/B 15 th Nov, 6 th Dec	Cheese and onion pasty with potato wedges	Tomato pasta	Pizza Potato crispers	Homemade vegetarian toad in the hole	Vegetable and bean burrito
	Spaghetti and turkey meatballs	Bubble salmon and diced potatoes	Chicken and vegetarian fried rice, curry sauce	Roast chicken, Yorkshire pudding	Fish fingers, chips, tomato ketchup
	Veg of the day	Veg of the day	Veg of the day	Veg of the day with roast potatoes, gravy	Veg of the day
	Vanilla ice-cream and fruit salad	Love cake	Chocolate orange biscuit	Chocolate brownie	Cold desserts