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Weekly Bulletin

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Dear Parents & Carers,

Christmas is always an incredibly busy time for everyone, and a school is no different to this. It feels as if the last two weeks have been a non-stop conveyor belt of performances, events and end of term activities, all of which have enriched the school experience of all pupils. We have been so lucky to have had the opportunity to share the various different Christmas performances with you and the fact that pupils were able to perform to a live audience really added to the occasion. All pupils should feel proud of their achievements over the past few weeks, (and the rest of the term too), and I hope they all enjoy their Christmases that lie ahead. However, these performances wouldn't have been possible without your co-operation and support with the guidance we needed to put in place so thank you for adhering to this, and I'm sure you'll agree that it was all worthwhile.

Once all of the performances had taken place we then had our 'Potley Hill Christmas Day on Wednesday. It was wonderful to see so many pupils in festive jumpers and this really did add to the occasion of the 'Santa Dash,' Christmas lunch and class parties! Not only did pupils thoroughly enjoy celebrating the festivities with their friends but the support from parents and the wider family to raise money for the Santa Dash was incredible. In total you have all raised over **£2000** to support the school, (although this is not yet the final total because there is still money coming in), and it makes running over 20 laps of the school playground while dressed in a thick, heavy, red suit absolutely worthwhile, so yet another big thank you for all of your support with this fundraising.

Whilst the events of the last few weeks have been enjoyable for pupils and parents, they obviously require lots of hard work, dedication and preparation to ensure they go smoothly. However, this doesn't just apply to Christmas time but throughout the whole term and for that I am incredibly grateful to all of the staff at Potley Hill Primary School for their commitment to provide the best education and experiences for the pupils, especially in the midst of a pandemic.

And finally I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support throughout my first term at Potley Hill and I would like to wish all the members of the school community, (pupils, parents, staff and governors), a very Merry Christmas and I look forward to welcoming you all back to school on Wednesday 5th January 2022!

Mr B Ellis - Head Teacher

Diary Dates

January

Tuesday 4th – INSET Day (School Closed)

Wednesday 5th – Spring Term starts (Pupils return to school)

Thursday 6th – PTA Annual General Meeting 7pm

Friday 7th – Year 6 Ancient Greek Workshops

Friday 21st – Whole School French Day

Friday 28th – PTA: Break the Rules Day

Celebration

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

Class	Lead Learner	Bee Award
Butterfly	Owen w	Piper S
Flamingo	Elise P	Tahlia W
Penguin	Elsie-Lou D	Ollie S
Dolphin	Ryley B	Cleo L
Turtle	Davut Y	Isabelle S
Stingray	Adam J	Ava K
Panther	Whole	Class
Lion	Beatrice F	Julia W
Leopard	Joe G	Jasmine G

Team Point Totals

Blue - 87

Yellow - 89

Red - 115

Green - 108

Termly Winners!!!

Class with the highest attendance

Panther Class - 98.53%

Caretaker/Lunchtime Activities Role

As has been previously advertised, we are currently advertising for a Caretaker to replace Mr. Gurney. We would like the next person who looks after the buildings and school site to also become a truly ensconced member of the Potley Hill family by working mornings during term time undertaking daily 'building' duties and then co-ordinating lunchtime activities for the various years groups and delivering these across the week with the pupils during the lunch break. If you're looking for a new opportunity in the New Year, why not click on the link below and see what we have to offer?

[PHPS Caretaker Advert](#)

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 Trophy Awards	Termly STEP Badges	Termly Headteacher Awards
Barrett (progress) – Samantha F (Leopard)	Natalia S - Reception Leo A - Year 1 Elsie-Lou D - Year 2 Ava K - Year 3 George T – Year 4 Matthew B -Year 5 Annabelle C – Year 6	Oliver L – Butterfly
Kaufman (citizenship) – Angelo A (Stingray)		Kaison J – Flamingo
Bailey (reasoning) – Samuel W (Dolphin)		Adam J – Penguin
Fletcher Boys writing – Brandon B (Lion)		Ruby H – Turtle
Fletcher Girls Maths – Phoebe C W (Panther)		Cassius T – Dolphin
Roedellington (100% effort) – Salwa T (Leopard)		Faith D – Seahorse
Clarke (environment) – Lacey M (Leopard)		Oliver S – Stingray
		Shanza K -Panther
	Ayla N – Lion	
	Alfie M - Leopard	

COVID-19 Update

In the final bulletin of the term I didn't want to have to be writing about COVID-19 but sadly, as communicated earlier this week, it is very much in both the school and local community. Pupils who are off school with COVID-19 have an authorised absence and for further guidance about how we record absences then you can find a copy of the School Attendance Policy on our website. If your child does unfortunately contract COVID-19 over the Christmas break, we do ask that you email the school on adminoffice@potleyhll.hants.sch.uk (even if their isolation period ends before the return to school in January) so that we can keep a log of those pupils and families affected by the virus. But please, stay safe over the break.

SCHOOL MEALS are £2.50 per day

Potley Hill Primary School Menu January to April 2022					
Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/c 17 th Jan, 7 th Feb, 7 th March, 28 th March,	Vegan spaghetti bolognaise	Vegetarian sausages, mashed potato and gravy	Pizza Potato crisps	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/c 3 rd Jan, 24 th Jan, 14 th Feb, 14 th March, 4 th April.	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 crisps, 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/c 10 th Jan, 31 st Jan 28 th Feb, 21 st March	Cheese and onion pasty with potato wedges	Tomato pasta	Pizza Potato crisps	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