



Dream Big, Aim High  
& Make a Difference

# Weekly Bulletin

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Whilst it was the first day back after the half-term break, I'm sure all of the children were desperate to come in to school and celebrate our very own World Book Day. It was great to see so many children engaging with dressing up as their favourite book characters and the variety was staggering ranging from Gangsta Grannys to Alice in Wonderland. Not only was it a fun way to start the half-term but also provided us with an opportunity to reiterate the importance reading plays in everyone's lives and how it can unlock so many doors.

The whole school spent time reading the book 'Bloom' by Anne Booth and the themes explored within it, with a particular focus on kindness. This book is the reason why every child planted a seed within school and have subsequently brought their 'busy Lizzie' home to look after. With storytelling taking place, the Books in a Jar competition, (results below), and the week coming to a close with the visit of author Bonnie Bridgman, reading has certainly been a central focus at Potley Hill Primary School this week although Year 3 also enjoyed their trip to Orchestra Unwrapped at The Anvil Theatre on Thursday too!

Whilst the learning week for children started on Tuesday, all staff took part in a range of training on Monday to help further develop our understanding of particular subject areas, especially phonics and maths. We also spent time exploring what it means to live the school motto of 'dream big, aim high and make a difference' and this is certainly something we look forward to building upon with all members of the school community in the months ahead.

And finally, the term dates for 2022-23 are published on the next page so please make sure you put these in your diary.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards

Mr B Ellis - Head Teacher

## Diary Dates

### March

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March – Scrooge Performance (in school)  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March – Comic Relief

### April

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April – PTA Fundraising Day  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> – Ufton Court Parents Information Evening 7pm  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April – Butterfly Class to Odds Farm

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Easter Holidays

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> – INSET Day (School Closed)  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> – Pupils return to school

## Celebration

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

Class	Lead Learner	Bee Award
<b>Butterfly</b>	Ellis M	Alice T
<b>Flamingo</b>	Deeks C	Scarlet H
<b>Penguin</b>	Lexi R	Noah T
<b>Dolphin</b>	Cassius T	Antonia V
<b>Turtle</b>	Liam L	Christina W
<b>Stingray</b>	Ryan B	Zade KL
<b>Panther</b>	Evie M	Robin W
<b>Lion</b>	Brandon B	Lucas B
<b>Leopard</b>	Jack H	Orlagh H

### Team Point Totals

Blue - 171      Yellow - 191  
Red - 197      Green - 189

Attendance – Flamingo Class 100 %  
\*Class are entitled to a Muffi-Day\*

Timetable Rockstars  
Highest Participating Class – Turtles (Morning)

## Book in a Jar Winners

A HUGE well done to all the children who entered our 'Book in a Jar' competition! From 'Harry Potter' to 'The Clockwork Crow' to 'The Highway Rat', we were blown away by the effort put into making them, and the intricacy and detail shown. They have been on display at school this week and all the children have enjoyed guessing all the books. Mr Ellis had the difficult decision of choosing the winners (and it really was a difficult choice!). All children have been presented with a certificate today, with the 3 winners also receiving a book token to spend on a book of their choice. The winners were: Samantha Field (Y5/6), Ruby Holland (Y3/4) and Max Ward (YR1/2). A massive congratulations to the winners and indeed all children who entered. Also, a big thank you to you the parents for supporting your child with their creation.



## 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 side gate near Reception.**

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES		
Monday	Tuesday	Thursday
<p style="text-align: center;">Judo 4 Juniors - (External Provider) Lasha Lekishvili</p> <p>Click below for information about places <a href="https://judo-4-juniors.class4kids.co.uk">https://judo-4-juniors.class4kids.co.uk</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Years 1 &amp; 2 Lego Club Miss Barton School Grounds (20 pupils)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Years 5 &amp; 6 Netball Club Mrs. Smith – School Playground (15 pupils)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Years 3-6 Hockey Club Miss Anstey – 3G (25 pupils)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Years 5&amp;6 Boys &amp; Girls Football Club Mr Farrer – 3G (25 pupils)</p>

## Term Dates for next academic year 2022-23

### Autumn Term 2022

**INSET Days:** Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> and Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022

**Autumn Term 2022:** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022

**Autumn Half Term:** Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022

**INSET Day:** Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2022

**Christmas Holiday:** Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2022 to Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2023

### Spring Term 2023

**INSET Day:** Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023

**Spring Term 2023:** Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

**Spring Half Term:** Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023

**Easter Holiday:** Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2023

### Summer Term 2023

**Summer Term:** Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

**Bank Holiday:** Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2023 (school closed)

**Summer Half Term:** Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2023

**INSET Day:** Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023

## 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 <sup>th</sup> Jan, 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb, 7 <sup>th</sup> March, 28 <sup>th</sup> 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 W/c 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jan, 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan, 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb, 14 <sup>th</sup> March, 4 <sup>th</sup> April.	Monday Sweet potato and lentil curry	Tuesday Macaroni cheese	Wednesday Pizza	Thursday Vegetarian cottage pie with gravy	Friday 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 W/c 10 <sup>th</sup> Jan, 31 <sup>st</sup> Jan 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb, 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Monday Cheese and onion pastry with potato wedges	Tuesday Tomato pasta	Wednesday Pizza Potato crisps	Thursday Homemade vegetarian toad in the hole	Friday 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