



Dream Big, Aim High
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Weekly Bulletin

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Dear Parents and Carers,

For those of you with children in Reception you will know that there have been some exciting new arrivals in the classroom this week – chicks. During my last check, five of the ten eggs had hatched with one male and four female chicks provoking a great deal of talk amongst the pupils; which number egg will hatch next, why do they need to be in the incubator, how do you know if they are male or female and where do the chicks go when they leave here? It has been fantastic to see the wide range of language used in these conversations and pupils so engaged in what is happening in their classroom.

Having chicks hatch in front of them, watching a live performance of Scrooge, fundraising for Ukraine or representing the school at athletics, (more below), are just some of the additional experiences we have been able to offer our pupils this week. Some of these activities don't come with an additional cost to parents/carers however sometimes they do. We are always mindful of finding the right balance between providing these experiences whilst not constantly asking parents/carers to pay for them. This has been more challenging this year because we have wanted to provide these extra experiences more than ever following the pandemic. However, please be aware that we do try our very best to plot the times in the school year when trips/events/visitors need to be paid for in order to space out the monetary burden placed on parents and carers but as always, we do appreciate your financial support to ensure they take place.

Finally, we can add another sport to the list of those we have competed in this year with some year 5 and 6 pupils taking part in an athletics event yesterday. All pupils took part with a smile on their face and showed true resilience, (800 metres was a little further than some of them had thought), so they should feel proud of their achievements.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards

Mr B Ellis - Head Teacher

Diary Dates

March

Wednesday 30th – Y6 SATs Parents Meeting

April

Friday 1st – PTA Fundraising Day

Friday 1st – PTA Quiz Night

Wednesday 6th – Ufton Court Parents Information Evening 7pm

Thursday 7th – Butterfly Class to Odds Farm

Friday 8th – Years 3&4 to St Barnabus Church

Monday 11th – Friday 22nd Easter Holidays

Monday 25th – INSET Day (School Closed)

Tuesday 26th – 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
Butterfly	Owen W	Sienna M
Flamingo	Scarlet H	Jamie G
Penguin	Callum B	Ollie C
Dolphin	Oliver TM	Evelyn D
Turtle	George S	Oliver S
Stingray	James B	Jack T
Panther	Flynn N	Milo J
Lion	Ayla N	Will C
Leopard	Sophia C	Zach L

Team Point Totals

Blue - 196

Yellow - 214

Red - 226

Green - 219

Attendance – Penguin 98.62%

Timetable Rockstars

Highest Participating Class – Stingray Class (am)

Wrap Around Care – September 2022

Over the past few weeks the school has spent some time investigating the possibility of providing wrap around care on our school site at Potley Hill from 7.30am until 6.00pm starting in September 2022. Currently we provide an Early Bird Club which is used by many parents/pupils and after school our pupils are also able to attend 'Just Like Home' (which takes place at Frogmore Junior School) or some of the younger pupils use Potley Hill Community Preschool. These last two options will still be available from September but we are hoping to appoint an external provider who will provide care for our pupils on school site both before school and at the end of the school day. We aim to have completed this process by early May so we can work closely with the provider over the summer term in order to ensure everything is ready and raring to go for September, but we will let parents/carers know at the earliest opportunity who this provider is and what they will be offering. Watch this space!

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>Judo 4 Juniors - (External Provider) Lasha Lekishvili</p> <p>Click below for information about places https://judo-4-juniors.class4kids.co.uk</p>	<p>Years 1 & 2 Lego Club Miss Barton School Grounds (20 pupils)</p> <p>Years 5 & 6 Netball Club Mrs. Smith – School Playground (15 pupils)</p>	<p>Years 3-6 Hockey Club Miss Anstey – 3G (25 pupils)</p> <p>Years 5&6 Boys & Girls Football Club Mr Farrer – 3G (25 pupils)</p>

Ukraine Fundraising

It was wonderful to see on Wednesday of this week the whole school community coming together in order to make donations and raise money for Ukraine. The picture below shows the generosity of the Potley Hill community and when the items were collected on Thursday the organisers were really appreciative. In addition to this, the total money raised for this appeal was over **£550** which is a staggering amount of money so to everyone who donated...

THANK YOU



UKRAINE REFUGEE DONATION POINT

Ukraine Refugee Donation Point will be open at the **former Red Cross Hut, off Monteagle Lane GU46 6LU** at the following times:

- Tuesday 15th – Thursday 17th March 4 – 7pm
- Friday 18th March 9am – 1pm
- Saturday 19th March 10am – 4 pm
- Sunday 20th March 2 – 4 pm
- Monday 21st March 9am – 1pm
- Tuesday 22nd – Thursday 24th March 4 – 7pm
- Friday 25th March 9am – 1pm

They are collecting the following items **ONLY**:

- Pushchairs
- Torches
- Dried and canned food
- Special diet food (gluten/ lactose free, vegan etc)
- Sanitary products
- Nappies, nappy sacks and wipes
- Baby products
- Baby food products (including toddler food)
- Medical supplies
- Blankets and towels
- Bottled water

They are unable to take any other donations. **Please do not leave donations outside of the opening hours – any donations left outside will not be able to be used.**



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 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/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 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/c 10 th Jan, 31 st Jan 28 th Feb, 21 st March	Cheese and onion pastry 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