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Weekly Bulletin

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Despite only being 4 days old, school has already been incredibly busy for pupils as they explore new curriculum projects, take part in sports events, (well done to Logan & Riley in Year 2 for your participation in a balls skills event on Wednesday – you should both feel proud of your achievements), and also have their class photos taken on the first day back, (the listening and co-operation skills of pupils were praised by the photographers too).

Also, this week it has been shared with the school community that I will be leaving Potley Hill at the end of this school year and the kind words that have been said to me by parents on the playground over the last few days have been greatly appreciated. By the time July arrives I would have been at the school for four years and I feel now is the right time for me to embrace a new challenge. However, following the positive outcome of our OFSTED inspection in October together with a focussed and settled staff team who can continue to move the school forward, I also think it is the right time for the school too as it is in a stable yet exciting place. Over the coming months I will spend time sharing lots of different 'Headteacher' information with Mrs Wallace, but her knowledge, understanding and experience of everything 'Potley Hill' already far exceeds mine so I am sure she will seamlessly slip into the role of 'Acting Headteacher' from September.

In the meantime however, there are lots of exciting learning and events to take place, none more so than the fast approaching Year 4 Residential to Runways End. The pupils leave on Monday and so I am sure you will join me in hoping they have a fantastic time and make the most of all of the activities and opportunities available, and we look forward to hearing all about it when they return to school thoroughly exhausted, (together with staff), on Wednesday afternoon.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr B Ellis
Headteacher

Summer Term Staffing Alterations

With Mrs Shaffo's departure there has been a slight change to arrangements at the School Office which it would be helpful for you to be aware of. Rather than working on Monday and Tuesday, Mrs Fellowes will now be working every morning instead, however this does mean that Mrs Conroy will be on her own in the office during the afternoons.

Also, we are incredibly pleased and proud of Ms Price, who works as a Learning Support Assistant within the school, as she has been seconded for the summer term to work for two days a week for the Primary Behaviour Service at The Hive in Aldershot. This is a wonderful opportunity for Ms Price, but in order to ensure that the needs of all pupils are effectively supported we have needed to move around some support staff so we wanted to make you aware of this as children may come home and be talking about different support staff who may be working within their classroom.

Diary Dates

April 2025

Monday 28th – Wednesday 30th – Year 4 Runways End Residential

May 2025

Monday 5th – School Closed – Bank Holiday

Tuesday 6th – YR&Y3 Trip to Wisley Gardens

Thursday 8th – VE Day

w/c 12th – Y6 SATs Week

Wednesday 21st – Nile Class Assembly

Friday 23rd – Sports Day @ 1pm

Celebration

These pupils are being celebrated this week in class.

Lunchtime Supervisor Nomination: Jamie G

Class	Lead Learner	Star of the Week	Weekly Attendance*
Nile	Iwenose O	Oakley H	100%
Thames	River W	Louis S	98.89%
Amazon	Harrison D	Brodie G	98.85%
Danube	Genevieve L	Harriet W	95.14%
Yangtze	Elsie B	Charlie E	94.12%
Onyx	Eyla R	George W	97.92%
Orinoco	Izzy R	Lucas R	88.19%
Zambezi	Nichalo A	Hunter D	98.25%

*Highest weekly class attendance in bold print

This week's Potley Points results are:

Raducanu – 156

Williamson – 120

Peacock – 160

Farah – 196

Timestable Rockstars:

Most Active – Onyx Class

50th Anniversary Celebrations

Following the Easter break, the 50th Anniversary Celebrations seem so long ago, however we would like to thank you all for your engagement with everything the school offered that week. Whether it was dressing up, attending the fair, (and it was so lovely to see this on the playground), or 'sponsoring a silence,' (which raised over £1400 towards school funds), your support, together with the creativity and ongoing hard work of staff, ensured it was a memorable week for the pupils.

In addition to this the Community Orchard was also 'officially' opened by the Mayor, (who also helped judge our 'Opportunity Knocks' competition too), and can now be used by the wider community. However, this project has only been possible due to the vision, drive and collaborative skills of Yateley Town Councillor Alex Drage who managed to pull together such a wide range of different organisations to help with the project, (most of them for free too), and we would like to thank him for his hard work and efforts in achieving a lasting legacy for the 50th Anniversary.

You can also still sponsor a tree within the Community Orchard through the Yateley Society by clicking [this link](#).

MONDAY

Club information to be shared with Parents early next week

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

(external provider)

Judo 4 Juniors

School Hall Years 1 to 6

Click [here](#) for more information



May Half Term Holiday Club

Holiday club open 27th - 30th May 2025 held at New Scotland Hill Primary School, Little Sandhurst. All children welcome in Reception - Y6 for lots of fun, activities, arts & crafts and outdoor play.

Early bird fees £19-£24 if booked & paid by 9th May. Ofsted registered, accepting all childcare vouchers & All staff are DBS vetted & First Aid trained.



To book please find Kidz R Us at www.eequ.org

For more info please contact 07928 806557 or email us: theafterschoolclub2011@yahoo.co.uk



As a school, we seek support from a range of different services to support families and this includes the Crowthorne Foodbank. This year alone the use of the foodbank has seen an increase of over 40% and so they really need help to ensure their service is sustainable as they rely on donations from the local community. We will have a box in the School Office over the next few weeks for anyone wishing to donate as their support to school and our families has been invaluable.

Potley Hill Primary School menu October 2024 to April 2025 - £3.20 per meal

Daily Jacket Potato with choice of cheese/baked beans/tuna mayo filling and hot tomato pasta will also be on offer each day. These choices are in addition to the main menu options below.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 w/c 5 th May 2 nd & 23 rd June 14 th July 8 th & 29 th Sept 20 th Oct	Veggie Bolognese pasta	Vegetarian sausage roll with crinkle cut wedges	Homemade Margherita pizza	Plant based sausage and Yorkshire pudding roast potatoes & gravy	Somerset cheddar cheese and onion quiche
	Chicken katsu curry with brown & white rice	Ham carbonara with pasta	Sticky honey glazed chicken with brown & white rice	Sliced beef with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes & gravy	Fish fingers with chips and beans
	Shortbread	Fruit, mousse or jelly	Rice crispy cake	Fruit, mousse or jelly	Ginger sponge
Week 2 w/c 12 th May 9 th & 30 th June 21 st July 15 th Sept 6 th Oct	Plant based hotdog with half portion of diced potatoes	Roasted vegetable lasagne	Homemade Margherita pizza	Quorn pieces in a Yorkshire pudding roast potatoes & gravy	Sweet potato and lentil curry with brown and white rice
	Chicken curry with brown and white rice	Pork sausages with mashed potatoes & gravy	Bubble salmon and crinkle cut wedges	Sliced chicken with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes & gravy	Fish fingers with chips and beans
	Chocolate Pudding	Fruit, mousse or jelly	Honey biscuit	Fruit, mousse or jelly	Lemon drizzle sponge
Week 3 w/c 28 th April, 19 th May 16 th June 7 th July 1 st & 22 nd Sept 13 th Oct	Macaroni cheese	Veggie cottage pie	Homemade Margherita pizza	Quorn and pastry crown	Cheese and potato frittata
	Beef chilli con carne with brown and white rice and tortilla chip	Chicken nuggets with diced potatoes	Vegetable and bean burrito	Sliced pork with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes & gravy	Fish fingers with chips and baked beans
	Chocolate brownie	Fruit, mousse or jelly	Jammy shortbread biscuit	Fruit, mousse or jelly	Toffee apple sponge