



Dream Big, Aim High
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Weekly Bulletin

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Whilst there are many farewells to say at the end of any school year, sending Year 6 off to secondary school having had several wonderful experiences at the end of term is always a 'highlight' even if it isn't easy to say goodbye! With a 'west-end like' performance of 'Robin Hood and the Sherwood Hoodies' a few weeks ago, followed by a memorable (and sweltering) trip into London and it was all rounded off in fine style last night with the 'Year 6 Leavers Assembly.' The evening provided pupils with the opportunity to share their favourite moments of their time at Potley Hill, whilst also looking forward to what will come next. They have been an excellent year group who have accomplished some great things, together with being wonderful ambassadors for the school and I am sure you will join me in wishing them all the very best of luck for September as they move on to the next stage of their educational journey!

The end of a school year always also provides an opportunity to reflect on the many positives that have taken place over the previous 12 months. Whilst there have been too many successes to celebrate in just one bulletin, my three highlights of this year were most definitely the creation of the Community Orchard, the celebrations for the 50th Anniversary and finally the incredibly positive comments about our school in the OFSTED Report back in October. The reason for choosing these three is because in their own unique way they have each involved the school community coming together for a greater cause and fundamentally this, in my humble opinion, is the 'unspoken' core purpose of every school; and long may that continue!

With this being my 158th, and final, bulletin I wanted to take this opportunity to wish Potley Hill Primary School every success as it moves on to the next stage of its journey. However, I cannot leave without thanking every member of staff for their hard work, dedication and resilience to provide the children with such a great experience, the continued support of parents and carers despite the ups and downs that inevitably come with school life, the Governing Body for their support, challenge and scrutiny, all in equal measure, and finally, the wonderful pupils for making this job 100% worthwhile! I have loved being Headteacher here and the four years have gone by in the blink of an eye, but I feel privileged to have played a part in the life of Potley Hill Primary School!

And finally, I hope you enjoy whatever plans you might have for the summer holidays, and I know Mrs Wallace and the team look forward to welcoming you all back to school on Thursday 4th September 2025 but for now, take care and all the very best!

Mr B Ellis - Headteacher

Diary Dates

July 2025

Tuesday 22nd – Last day of term (School Finishes @ 3.20pm)

September 2025

Wednesday 3rd – INSET Day - School Closed

Thursday 4th – Autumn Term Starts for pupils in Y1-Y6, Home visits for new YR pupils

Tuesday 9th – New Reception pupils start

Thursday 18th – Y6 Frogmore CC Taster Day

w/c 22nd – Y6 Residential PGL Osmington Bay

Potley Point Totals

Weekly Potley Point Totals

Raducanu – 87

Williamson – 59

Peacock - 63

Farah – 141

Termly Potley Point Totals

Raducanu – 2278

Williamson – 1585

Peacock - 2133

Farah – 2305

Well done to Farah who pipped

Raducanu on the final day!

Goodbye and Good Luck!

As 2024-25 draws to a close we took the opportunity earlier today to say farewell to Mrs Bailey and Miss Gregory, together with saying thank you to each of them (in the form of a personalised song – please ask your children) for their hardwork and the commitment they have shown to Potley Hill Primary School. They will both be embracing new challenges when the autumn term starts and I am sure you will join me in wishing them both all the very best of luck for September and beyond.



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 Trophies	STEP Badges	Handwriting Heroes	Termly Headteacher Awards
Barrett (progress) – Isaac R (Yangtze)	Iwenose O - Reception	Huey H - Reception	Fearne M - Nile
Kaufmann (citizenship) – Poppy C (Orinoco)	Costas Z - Year 1	Evie L - Year 1	Oliver GO - Thames
Bailey (reasoning) – Ollie L (Danube)	Ophelia T - Year 2	Logan M - Year 2	Amelija K – Amazon
Fletcher Boys Writing – Hugo T (Onyx)	Edith S - Year 3	Erin A - Year 3	Cohen R - Danube
Fletcher Girls Maths – Anaya C (Danube)	Jamie G – Year 4	Elsie B – Year 4	Scarlet H - Yangtze
Roedellington (100% effort) – Kristen T (Zambezi)	Sneha P -Year 5	Aiden L -Year 5	Fatima K - Onyx
Clarke (environment) – Sebastian G (Yangtze)	Ava K – Year 6	Aleena H – Year 6	Evie S - Orinoco
Wilson (kindness) – Leo A (Onyx)			Evelyn C - Zambezi



HART YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS 2025

After the success of the 2023 and 2024 awards, Fleet Phoenix is excited to announce that we will once again be celebrating the amazing achievements of the young people in our community at the 2025 Hart Youth Achievement Awards in October. With the help and sponsorship of local organisations, we would like to publicly recognise and celebrate the incredible work and successes of young people locally.

THE AWARDS

- Volunteering
- Community Champion
- Fundraising
- Courage
- Group Achievement
- Sports and Arts
- Academic Achievement

WE NEED YOUR NOMINATIONS BY 26TH SEPTEMBER!

SCAN TO NOMINATE



Each award has two age ranges (apart from the group award);
Junior (school year 6 and under)
Senior (school year 7 up to 25 years old).

Young people need to live, or be educated in Hart to be nominated.

With thanks to...



Term Dates 2025-2026

Below are the terms dates for next academic year 2025-26 and they can also be found on the school website by clicking [here](#).

INSET Day: Wednesday 3rd September 2025

Autumn Term 2025: Thursday 4th September - Friday 19th December 2025

Autumn Half Term: Monday 27th - Friday 31st October 2025

INSET Day: Monday 1st December 2025

Christmas Holiday: Monday 22nd December 2025 - Friday 2nd January 2026

INSET Day: Monday 5th January 2026

Spring Term 2026: Tuesday 6th January – Friday 27th March 2026

INSET Day: Friday 13th February 2026

Spring Half Term: Monday 16th February - Friday 20th February 2026

Easter Holiday: Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April 2026

Summer Term 2026: Monday 13th April - Wednesday 23rd July 2026

Bank Holiday: Monday 4th May 2026 (school closed)

INSET Day: Friday 26th June 2026

Summer Half Term: Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May 2026