



Dream Big, Aim High
& Make a Difference

Weekly Bulletin

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all enjoyed your long weekend and the shorter week this week!

Yesterday after school, our teachers were extremely busy as we welcomed around 45 colleagues from local schools to Potley Hill for a writing moderation session. It was a great opportunity to share the fantastic writing taking place across our schools, engage in professional discussions, and learn from one another about best practice in the writing curriculum.

The hall was filled with a real buzz of chatter and collaboration as teachers worked together, and we hope to host similar events in the future.

Some visiting teachers also enjoyed a tour of the school and were particularly impressed by the generous space we have at Potley—especially our class sizes!

Over the past couple of weeks, we've welcomed many visitors for a variety of reasons, and it has been lovely to hear such positive feedback. They consistently comment on what a warm, welcoming and calm school we are, as well as the politeness of our children. This always makes us incredibly proud of all we strive to achieve each day.

Next week is an important one for our lovely Aquamarine Class (Year 6), as they complete their end of Key Stage 2 SATs. These tests bring together everything they have learned during their seven years at Potley Hill.

They should feel incredibly proud of how hard they've worked this year—revisiting key concepts, tackling tricky areas, and growing in confidence every day. They are ready.

We wish them all the very best of luck. Enjoy a restful weekend, spend time doing something you love, and get plenty of sleep. We look forward to welcoming them bright and early on Monday morning, especially those joining us for breakfast.

As always, we remind our children that these tests do not define them. They are just one moment in time, and they cannot capture their creativity, kindness, resilience or the many ways they make a difference each day.

The scores will tell us something—but they will never tell us everything. At Potley Hill, we truly believe in dreaming big, aiming high and making a difference—and our children do this in so many ways beyond the SATs papers.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone and see you all on Monday morning!

Mrs N Wallace – Headteacher

Diary Dates

May 2026

Monday 18th May – Start of Sustainability Week
Wednesday 20th May – Jade Class Assembly
Wednesday 20th Emerald Class – Project Showcase 3pm (class)
Thursday 21st May – Year 4 – Topic Learning Celebration 14:45 pm (class)

25th – 29th May – Half Term – School closed

June 2026

Friday 5th June – PTA Summer Disco
Monday 8th – 12th June Bookfair
Monday 15th June – Year R Wellington Country Park
Wednesday 17th June Topaz Class Assembly
Tuesday 23rd June Sapphire Class Assembly
Wednesday 24th June Year 4 Battle of the Books Event @ Weydon School
Thursday 25th June – Sports Day
Friday 26th June – INSET Day

July 2026

7th July afternoon Year 6 production (Including Year 5)
8th July Evening performance Year 6 production (Incl Year 5)
8th July Amethyst Class Assembly
1st & 2nd July Frogmore and Yateley transition days
2nd July Years R to 5 transition days – in school

2026/2027 INSET Days:

September 1st & 2nd January 4th April 12th 21st July

Celebration

These pupils are being celebrated this week in class.

Lunchtime Supervisor Nomination Alexis S

Class	Lead Learner	Star of the Week	Weekly Attendance*
Jade	Phoebe F	Lucas B	99.5%
Sapphire	Anopaishe B	Ariyah W	96.5%
Emerald	Nola W	Dominic E	96.3%
Amethyst	Theo S	Phoebe D	100%
Topaz	Harriet W	Grace R	98.1%
Opal	Emily L	Elijus K	98.4%
Aquamarine	Olivia M	Lexi R	97.3%

*Highest weekly class attendance in bold print

Potley Points

Peacock 348 Williamson 349

Raducanu 391 Farah 394

Save the Date for Sports Day

Plans are taking shape for this year's Sports Day, and we're pleased to have In2Sport supporting us. You may notice a few changes from previous years—we'll share details closer to the time. For now, please save the **afternoon of Thursday 25th June**, as we would love parents, grandparents and other supporters to join us for the afternoon.

PTA events coming soon!

'Be our Super Heros 

Come to school dressed as your favourite Super Hero
15th May.

Bring a £1, bottle or sweets as your donation towards
our summer fun night raffle!!'

<p align="center">Monday Booster for Yr 5 & Yr 6</p> <p align="center">Jigsaw Club YR's 1 & 2 with Mrs Chamberlain</p> <p align="center">Yr 4 book Club (invite only)</p>
<p align="center">Tuesday</p> <p align="center">Wildlife Club Yrs 4 & 5 with Ms Ward In2sport Basketball (external lead club) Shots Football (external lead club)</p>
<p align="center">Wednesday</p> <p align="center">Recorder club Yrs 3 – 6 with Mrs Wilding.</p>
<p align="center">Thursday</p> <p align="center">Singing for fun Yrs 2 – 6 with Mrs Smith In2sport Girls Football (ELC)</p>
<p align="center">Friday</p> <p align="center">In2sport Yr 1/2/3 Football (ELC) Judo4Juniors (ELC)</p>

Smart Phone Free Reminder for September

We wanted to take this opportunity to remind you about our Policy around Smart Phones for the 26/27 academic year, which is a common approach being taken by local schools in Frogmore, Hawley and Yateley.

As you may be aware, the government has now taken a much stronger position on mobile phone bans in schools. This shift reflects concerns that many of you, and many educators, ourselves included, across the country, have been raising for some time.

There is so much support and research that demonstrates that, when schools adopt a smartphone free-by-default culture, not only do they become calmer and more focused learning environments but the familiar “everyone else has one” pressure is greatly reduced, which must only be a positive. Alongside this, the Smartphone Free Childhood movement continues to highlight compelling statistics about the effects of smartphone use on children’s wellbeing, sleep, concentration and social relationships. These findings continue to guide our shared approach locally.

Policy Headlines for September 2026

- Smartphones and other smart devices will not be permitted on school premises.
- Parents of all children are strongly discouraged from allowing children to own or use a smartphone
- Non-smart ‘brick’ phones may be used for communication to and from school for Year 5 and 6, as requested by parents. These phones will be handed in to staff at the start of the school day.

If you still wish your child to have a simple means of communication without the risks associated with smartphones we would like to direct you to the following websites:

[Smartphone Alternatives for Kids](#)

<https://www.kidsfornow.org.uk/alternatives>

<https://www.papayatalks.com/resources>

Potley Hill Primary School Menu April-October 2026

Jacket potato is available each day with a choice of beans, cheese or tuna, this choice is in addition to the main menu.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/c 13th Apr, 4 th May, 15 th June, 6 th July, 7 th & 28 th Sept, 19 th Oct	Veggie Pizza With baked potato wedges, coleslaw or salad	Cauliflower Cheese With creamy mash & green beans	Crispy Cheese & Lentil Bake With roasted potatoes, carrots & sweetcorn	Veggie Meatballs With rice & mixed salad	Vegetable Fingers With chips & baked beans
	Homemade Margherita Pizza	Chicken & Leek Pie	Roast Chicken	Chicken Meatballs	Chicken Nuggets
	Penne Pasta with Homemade Tomato Sauce Apple Sponge & Custard	Penne Pasta with Homemade Tomato Sauce Jelly & Fruit Slices	Penne Pasta with Homemade Tomato Sauce Carrot & Cinnamon Cookies	Penne Pasta with Homemade Tomato Sauce Fruit Salad	Penne Pasta with Homemade Tomato Sauce Chocolate & Vanilla Shortbread
Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/c 20th Apr, 11 th May, 1 st & 22 nd June, 13 th July, 14 th Sept, 5 th Oct	Veggie Pizza With baked potato wedges, coleslaw or salad	Vegan Tikka Curry With wholegrain rice & broccoli	Veggie Wrap With Rice & Sweetcorn	Veggie Sausage & Mash With green cabbage	Vegetable Fingers With chips & baked beans
	Homemade Margherita Pizza	Chicken Curry	Chicken Wrap	Sausage & Mash	Fish Fingers
	Penne Pasta with Homemade Tomato Sauce Vanilla Sprinkle Sponge	Penne Pasta with Homemade Tomato Sauce Watermelon Sticks	Penne Pasta with Homemade Tomato Sauce Chocolate Crispy Cake	Penne Pasta with Homemade Tomato Sauce Fruit Bowls	Penne Pasta with Homemade Tomato Sauce Apple Flapjack
Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/c 27 th Apr, 18 th May, 8 th & 29 th June, 20 th July, 31 st Aug, 21 st Sept, 12 th Oct	Veggie Lasagna With green beans	Cheese & Tomato Turnover With wedges & baked beans	Cheesy Veggie Bake With roasted potatoes, broccoli & gravy	Sweet Potato & Chickpea Curry With broccoli	Vegetable Fingers With chips & baked beans
	Mac n Cheese	Homemade Sausage Rolls	Roast Gammon	Chicken & Rice Curry	Chicken Nuggets
	Penne Pasta with Homemade Tomato Sauce Jammy Crumble Slice	Penne Pasta with Homemade Tomato Sauce Fruit Bowls	Penne Pasta with Homemade Tomato Sauce Vanilla Ice Cream Cup	Penne Pasta with Homemade Tomato Sauce Jelly & Fruit Slices	Penne Pasta with Homemade Tomato Sauce Rainbow Shortbreads

