

Potton Primary School Newsletter



Friday 2nd October 2026

From Miss Watts

Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, a huge thank you for your support of last Friday's non-uniform day and cake sale event after school. As you are aware these events were held to raise money for the CCLG. We have been told by the family of Manraj that were running the event, that the school raised £500.00 in non-uniform donations and cake sale purchases. The family also raised some additional money online and the total combined amount raised was £728.00 which is amazing!!

On Monday this week we held an EYFS & KS1 Phonics workshop. Thank you to all of you that were able to attend.

On Wednesday we had our first SEND Coffee Afternoon of the academic year where the focus was on Dyslexia. We were excited to be able to welcome Armande Fryatt from The Assessment Practice to speak at the event. Thank you to all of you that were able to attend, hopefully you found the afternoon helpful. The next SEND Coffee Afternoon will be on Wednesday 10th February 2027. Further information will be sent out closer to the time.

On Thursday we welcomed the Sandy and Biggleswade Mental Health Support Team into school for an Emotional Regulation workshop for parents and carers of our EYFS and Year 1 children. I hope that those of you who were able to attend found the session useful.

We are looking forward to the PTFA Colour Run which is happening next Friday 9th October 2026. We hope to see as many of you as possible ready to get messy!! This event is always lots of fun. As well as the paint throwing races, there will be a BBQ and a raffle.

If you can to donate any edible items for the hampers, please could you drop them at the school offices. We are looking for items such as chocolate, biscuits, cakes, sweets and snacks etc.

Also if you can help at the event, please could you let the PTFA know via email at ptfa@pottonprimary.co.uk

We have updated the information on the Save the Dates page below. Please make sure you take time to make a note of any upcoming events and activities.

Another reminder - please do not ride scooters or bikes in the school car park. This is to ensure the safety of our school community.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend

Kindest Regards

Miss Watts
Headteacher

Awards Board



Class Superstars



Peacocks: Isla
Mallards: Rufus
Wrens: Adaline
Hawks: Jacob
Swifts: Emily W
Kingfisher: Annie

Puffins: Dexter
Moorhens: Lucas
Woodpeckers: Ted
Heron: Casey
Starlings: Lottie
Kites: Nancy & Cruz



Tidy Toucan Award



Awarded to the class with the tidiest class:

**Mallards
Heron**



Neat Nightingale Award



Awarded to the class with the neatest cloakroom.

**Woodpeckers
Hawks**



Smart Swallow



Awarded to the class with the smartest line.

**Mallards
Starlings**

Whole School Attendance

This Week: 92.9%

To date: 93.9%

Diary Dates

Upcoming Dates for the diary....

PTFA Colour Run - Friday 9th October - 3:30pm - 5:30 pm

Year 6 Learn Together Afternoon - Tuesday 13th October - 1:30pm

SEND Parents Evening - Wednesday 14th October - 3:30 - 5:00pm - Further information to follow.

PTFA AGM - Monday 19th October - 8:00pm - The Branches Hall

Parents Evening - Tuesday 20th October - 3:30pm-6:00pm - Further information to follow.
Wednesday 21st October - 3:30pm-6:00pm - Further information to follow.

Individual and Sibling Photographs - Tuesday 20th October

SAVE THE DATE...

Christmas Fayre - Wednesday 25th November - 3:30pm

Learn Together Afternoons

Sessions run 1:30pm to 3pm

Year 6 = Tuesday 13th October

Year 5 = Wednesday 18th November

Year 4 = Tuesday 19th January

Year 3 = Tuesday 16th March

Year 2 = Wednesday 12th May

Year 1 = Monday 21st June

EYFS = Monday 5th July

Sports Day

Years 1-6 Wednesday 19th May

EYFS Sports Day - Monday 5th July

Performances

EYFS Nativity - Monday 7th December at 9:30am & 2:00pm

Year 1 and 2 Carol Concert - Monday 14th December at 2:30pm & Tuesday 15th December at 2.30pm

Year 3 and 4 Performance - Tuesday 8th December at 1.30pm & Wednesday 9th December at 9.30am

Year 5 and 6 Performance - Monday 12th July at 1:30pm & Tuesday 13th July at 9.30am

School Event Information



PTFA COLOUR RUN

Friday 9th October

3.30pm – 5.30pm

EYFS race: 4pm

Year 1 & 2 race: 4:10pm

Year 3 & 4 race: 4:20pm

Year 5 & 6 race: 4:30pm

Siblings: 4:40pm

Family (adults and children): 4:50pm

Paint throw (all welcome) 5pm

BBQ

Hamper Raffle

BAR

School Event Information



Year 6 Learn Together Afternoon

**Tuesday 13th October
1:30pm-3:00pm**

**PARENTS/CARERS/GRANDPARENTS OF OUR YEAR 6
CHILDREN ARE INVITED INTO SCHOOL TO ENJOY AN
ACTIVITY WITH THEIR CHILDREN BASED AROUND THEIR DT
TOPIC THIS TERM.**

**PLEASE NOTE, THIS EVENT IS NOT SUITABLE FOR YOUNGER
SIBLINGS.**

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN IN PLEASE LET THE SCHOOL
OFFICE KNOW VIA EMAIL:
OFFICE@POTTONPRIMARY.CO.UK**

Safeguarding



Online Safety: *Strengthening Safeguarding Practise in 2026*

Tues 13th October (1300-1400) TEAMS

Delivered by: NSPCC

Safeguarding Bedfordshire are pleased to be working with the NSPCC to offer a free webinar aimed at parents/carers and those working with children, young people and/ or families.

This interactive session explores children's online lives, the opportunities and challenges they may encounter, and how adults can support them to stay safe. Using children's voices, real-life scenarios and practical resources, the webinar covers topics including online relationships, image sharing, grooming, sextortion and where to access support when concerns arise.

Participants will leave with greater confidence in having conversations about online safety and an understanding of the support available through Childline, the NSPCC Helpline, Report Remove and other trusted resources.

Audience:

- Parents and carers
- Foster carers and kinship carers
- Childminders and nannies
- Early years practitioners
- School staff and governors
- Youth workers
- Sports clubs and uniformed organisations (e.g. Scouts, Guides, Cadets)
- Community and voluntary sector organisations working with children and families

How to book: [Please request a place here](#). If you are allocated a place, you will be sent the TEAMS joining link by 5th October.

Need Help? [Contact Us](#)

**Safeguarding
Bedfordshire**





other News



This year we are supporting The Need Project's Big Tin Challenge. During the months of October and November they are trying to collect 35,000 tins to build up their stocks in preparation for increased demand in December.

If you are able to donate a tin of food then please could you drop any donations off at either of the school offices.

The difference 6 months can make...

MARCH 2026

The BIG tin challenge...

SEPT 2026

In 2024 we asked for 30,000 tins, you donated OVER that target!

This year we are aiming for a staggering 35,000...can we do it?

In the months of October and November we aim to collect 35,000 tins. If you are able to add just 1 extra tin to your shopping and then pop it in a donations bin or drop to us, we can keep on giving to those that need it most.

Other Information

Make music.
Make friends.
Be inspired.

Discover our fun and friendly
after-school and Saturday music
groups in Central Bedfordshire.

Whether you're just starting out or already play, there's
something for everyone — from singing and bands to
strings, brass, keyboard, folk group and more.

In all our sessions you can:

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- ♪ perform and progress



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your musical
journey today



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Other Information



PICK
EXPLORE
PLAY
MAKE
MEMORIES

THE SECRET FARM
WATCH US GROW

A GREAT
DAY OUT FOR
FAMILIES,
SCHOOLS,
NURSERIES
& GROUPS!

PUMPKIN PATCH

2026

YOUR OCTOBER ADVENTURE STARTS HERE!

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Discover our fun and friendly after-school and Saturday music groups in Central Bedfordshire.

Scan to find your local group and start your musical journey today

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PUMPKIN SEASON

FRIENDLY MONSTERS

FIREWORKS NIGHT
FRIDAY 30TH OCTOBER
A SPECTACULAR END TO HALF TERM!

BOOK NOW

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PUMPKINS • PLAY • FRESH AIR • HAPPY DAYS

Other Information

Cycle to
School Week
5th - 9th
October



Free after school refreshments at Brook Gardens, Potton

as part of Cycle to School Week 2026.

Drop by our Marketing Suite after school (until 4.30pm)
for complimentary refreshments plus a free snap band
on **Monday 5th , Thursday 8th and Friday 9th October.**



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HOMES

Brook Gardens, The Ridgeway, Potton, Bedfordshire, SG19 2PS