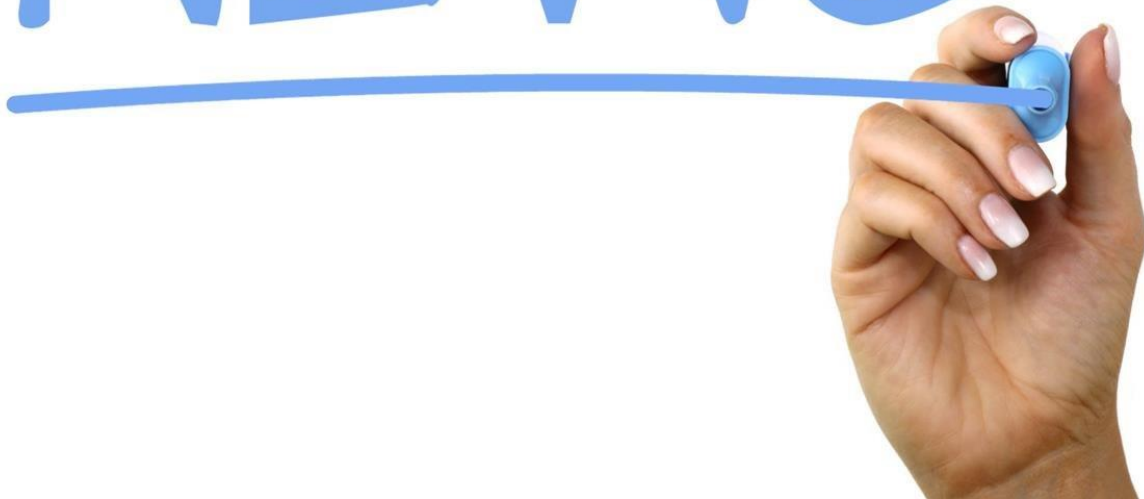




29th September 2023 Newsletter

From the Headteacher

NEWS



Dear Parents / Carers,

Another busy but enjoyable week here at Potton Primary - where does the time go? I have taught Puffins and Wrens this week (only for a lesson) but what a brilliant opportunity to be in the children's classes and see them at work with their learning. I hope as the weeks go by I'll be able to spend more time in class and see the children at work.

We had a great start to our whole School Breakfast Club this week. Don't forget that the booking form is sent out every Monday to book your child in for the next school week.

Thank you for your support with our new Potton Primary uniform - if we can encourage the children to tuck their t-shirts in so they look even smarter that would be appreciated.

We've received complaints again from residents of Potton regarding parking, blocking driveways and parking close to junctions so the driver's view is obstructed. Please be more considerate when parking. The car park in Mill Lane is available for parking before and after school.

After school today, we have our PTFA colour run - I look forward to seeing you there! A big **THANK YOU** to our PTFA committee for hosting this event.

On **Monday evening next week we have our PTFA AGM including cheese and wine** - come and join us to see what has happened over the last school year and what we have planned.

Next Friday, our School Council are running a cake stall during school time to raise money for Macmillan. Please send in any baked or faked items for us to sell. Please remember our policy around nuts and ensure donations come in the original packaging if shop bought or has an ingredients list for home baked items.

We are on the search for new governors to join our Governing Body - please see the details below and express your interest to our chair, Amanda Long on chair@pottonprimary.co.uk

Wishing you all a lovely weekend!

Kindest regards

Miss Jordana Watts

Potton Primary School Governing Board

Would you like to support the future of Potton Primary School and its children?

The Potton Primary School Governing Board has a number of vacancies and now is an exciting time to join us as we start on our journey as a Primary School.

You don't need to be a parent or an education expert to volunteer as a governor. We're looking for a range of knowledge, skills and experience to ensure that our Governing Board can represent different views.

This role gives you the opportunity to support our school and young people in our community as well as develop your own personal skills.

A governor supports the management of the school in areas such as strategy, policy, budgeting and staffing to make sure that the school is working effectively. Governors set the aims and objectives for the school, monitor and evaluate performance, oversee financial management and ensure the head teacher and staff are following its vision and strategic direction.

If you are interested in joining us or would like an informal chat to find out more, please get in touch with Amanda Long, Chair of Governors (chair@pottonprimary.co.uk)

Diary Dates



Monday 2nd October - PTFA AGM @7:30pm - further details below

Tuesday 3rd October - EYFS and Year 1 Phonics Workshop - 2.20pm - 3.10pm

Thursday 5th October - SEND Coffee Afternoon - 2pm

Friday 6th October - School Council Cake Sale - details below

Tuesday 10th October - World Mental Health Day - non-uniform day 'Choose what you wear Tuesday'

Friday 13th October - Year 6 trip to Duxford

Monday 16th October - School photo day

Tuesday 17th October - Parents Evening - from 3.30pm

Wednesday 18th October- Parents Evening - from 3.30pm

Thursday 19th October - "Tree House day" (newly formed School Houses) - Further information to follow

**YOU ARE INVITED TO THE PFTA CHEESE &
WINE EVENING - INCORPORATING THE
AGM**

**Monday 2nd October 2023 - The Branches Hall - Please
arrive between 7.30-8.00pm the AGM will start at 8pm.**

All parents and staff as automatic members of the PFTA are welcome to attend the AGM, where you can hear and see how the funds you have helped to raise have been used for the benefit of the children at the school. We would love to hear your ideas for fundraising & experiences for the children. On this night we will also elect the Committee for the next year. We already have some nominations. If you would like any further information about becoming a Committee Member, please contact PFTA@pottonfederation.co.uk

There is no charge, donation or tickets for this event. We only ask for your attendance and support & hope it will be a good opportunity to meet other parents and spend some time in the school. Please can you email PFTA@pottonfederation.co.uk to confirm your attendance for numbers.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Samantha Boyd – Chair PTFA - Parents, Teachers and Friends
Association

Registered Charity No. 1020321

*As our PTFA is a registered charity, all committee members automatically become Trustees of the Charity. Before submitting your nomination form, please read the Charity Commission publication 'The Essential Trustee – What you need to know (CC3)'. A copy of the booklet can be found on the Charity Commission website.



1 - Friday 6th October 2023

Our School Council are running a cake sale to raise money for Macmillan. This will be held at break and lunch times. At these times the children will be able to buy cakes to support this worthy cause.

On the day of the sale, cakes will be priced between 20p and 50p; so please could the children bring in some money to purchase a cake and donate to charity. Please can the younger children (Reception - Year 3) bring the money in a named envelope that can be given to their class teacher; the older children (Years 4-6) can just bring money in with them.

Thank you in advance for your generous donations; and your continued support.

Mr Griffiths, Miss Slater & the School Council

Our School Values - Ready, Respectful and Responsible



We have 3 School Values: Ready, Respectful and Responsible.

Ready – to learn, to listen and to be a success

Respectful – of yourself, others and property

Responsible – you are responsible for your learning, actions and choices

Each week in our Celebration assemblies, classes will award their Ready, Respectful and Responsible 'Stars of the Week'.

This week, certificates were awarded to:

Year 1 - Peacocks: Ready: Hayley O Respectful: Charlie R Responsible: Daisy N

Year 1 - Puffins: Ready: Dougie C Respectful: Zarena T Responsible: Ruby G

Year 2 - Moorhens: Ready: Poppy U Respectful: Cathy L Responsible: Tomas W

Year 2 - Mallards: Ready: Heidi C Respectful: Nyla A Responsible: Rudy H

Year 3 - Woodpeckers: Ready: Alice R Respectful: Lilia R Responsible: Ronnie G

Year 3 - Wrens: Ready: Rory W Respectful: Oliver J Responsible: Lillia N

Year 4 - Hawks: Ready: Lily D Respectful: George S Responsible: Eleanor F

Year 4 - Herons: Ready: Jenson G Respectful: Emily H Responsible: Emilia P

Year 5 - Sparrows: Ready: Alfie S Respectful: Lola C Responsible: Ivy M

Year 5 - Swifts: Ready: Tyler A Respectful: Roxy C Responsible: Annabel W

Year 5 - Starlings: Ready: Evie H Respectful: Archie S Responsible: Maddie G

Year 6 - Kites: Ready: Maisie L W Respectful: Mia J Responsible: Jacob S

Year 6 - Kestrels: Ready: Willow G-D Respectful: Maria M Responsible: Luke W

Year 6 - Kingfishers: Ready: Jack S Respectful: Poppy W Responsible: Ella B

Class Dojo Award



Class Dojo points are awarded throughout the school week for children demonstrating our School Values, producing outstanding work and working above and beyond.

This week, Class Dojo 50 point certificates were presented to:

Year 1: Arya, Ronnie J & Tulula-Belle P

Year 2: Chloe A

Year 3: Thea B, Will F, Lilly H, Sadie D, Finnley F, Alice R, Maisie W & Carter W

Year 4: Lena R, Caoimhe F, Emily H, Theo W, James S, Darcey A, Harry P, Gracie H, Nathan C, Ellie W, Jake S & Lukey B

Year 5: Riley J, Rosie G, Marley G-D, Logan B, Jacob S, Katie B, Alexis C, Archie S, Alyssa B, Annabel W, Belle C, Ella D, Elsie M, Emily J, Jackson D, Lilly W, Orlah I, Oscar M, Rosie H, Roxy C, Tyler A, Ella T, Emily W, Jacob S, Lilly A, Lola C & Lula B

Year 6: Freya A-P, Willow G-D, Maria M, Imogen P, Jack S, Henry W, Rosie W, Alexis C-D, Dolcie O, Denys R, Archie C, Darcie W, Ava F, Drew S M, Jayden S, JoJo H, Julian H, Kiera W, Sandra D, Zach M

This week, Class Dojo 100 point certificates were presented to:

Year 6: Casper W, Ashton K, Riley T, Robyn D, Maisie L W, Vanessa C, Dan R, James B, Seth K, Otilie D, Jack S, Olympia M, Scarlett K

This week, Class Dojo 150 point certificates were presented to:

Year 6: Noah F, Ashton K, Jack S, Olympia M, Scarlett K

Letters Sent Home This Week



Forms

Breakfast Club Booking Form

Parents Evening

Individual and Sibling photographs (only to complete if you would like a sibling photo)

Letters

Reception & Year 1 Only - Phonics Workshop