

POTTER STREET ACADEMY NEWS

Dear Parent/Carer,

We have come to the end of another academic year and what a year it was! The turbulence and unpredictability have been difficult for us all to navigate, but I would like to thank you and every member of staff for their continued support and understanding. Potter Street community have worked in partnership to ensure the safety, wellbeing and progress of our delightful children.

I speak on behalf of all staff when I say that your messages of thanks and support were very much appreciated.

On behalf of everyone at Potter Street, I wish you all an enjoyable summer holiday.

Mrs Kath Holland
Associate Headteacher

Stars of the Term

A big well done to our Stars of the Term

Reception	Kayra, Abel and Lily
Year 1	Maria, Freya and Logan
Year 2	Callie, Lucy and Anthony
Year 3	Kai, Ruby and Savannah
Year 4 (AG)	Megan, Zahra and Samuel
Year 4 (AR)	Elizabeth, Yusuf, Mikayla
Year 5 (HBM)	Ioana, Lacey and Aaron
Year 5 (N/T)	Liya, Ronnie and Shay
Year 6 (SN)	Lilly, Mollie and Rio
Year 6 (BS)	Gracie, Jack, Tanaka

All the stars received a £5.00 Amazon voucher.

Free School Meal Provision over the Summer Holiday

If you are in receipt of free school meals for your child/children, you will receive an email with guidance on how to redeem your FSM voucher. You will receive one voucher for £60.00 to cover four weeks of the summer holidays.

PE Kit Needed in School

Please ensure all children have their full PE kit in school when they return after the summer break. This is shorts, house top and plimsolls / trainers. All lessons will take place outside even if it is cold. Only heavy rain will prevent classes going out so please make sure your child has a black or grey tracksuit as part of their PE kit.

SIM's Pay

From 26th July 2021, SIMs Pay will be known by its new name Pay 360 Education Payments. The product features and functionality will remain the same, you will just notice a new logo and name when you are in the system.

Can You Apply for Free School Meals?

If your child is in Year R – Year 2 from September, they will continue to be entitled to universal free school meals meaning the Government pays for your child to have a school dinner every day.



Children in Year 3 – Year 6 must apply for free school’s meals. We are aware that many people’s circumstances have changed over the last few months. If you think you may now be entitled to claim free school meals (because you are receiving universal credit) the office is able to carry out a quick online check for you before you apply. Please call Mrs Gant who will help to see if you are entitled. Even if you don’t want your child to have a school dinner, the school receives additional funding for every eligible child.

Contact over the Holidays

Please check your emails and the school APP. Should things change over the summer, we will be in contact with you.

Uniform

As we begin to prepare for the summer, just a few reminders about school uniform

- All children should be in school uniform with black shoes
- Children’s PE top needs to be the house colour of the house they are in
- Children must have a change of footwear for PE
- Jewellery is not allowed in school, earrings should only be studs and children must be able to take them out themselves
- All our uniform can be purchased from Create Identitee

Jackie Jackson Award

At the end of each academic year, one year 6 pupil is awarded the Jackie Jackson Award. The person chosen by the Year 6 team will have met high standards for behaviour, attendance and progress since their time at Potter Street Academy. It is with great pleasure to announce Fatima I has received this award.

Winning Houses

Well done to Lion House who are the overall winning house with 9,144 house points.

Winning houses for: -

Sports Day

KS1 Unicorn
KS2 Lion and Griffin

Attendance

Griffin

Values

Dragon

House Points

Children are busy earning house points by showing how well they keep the school values – responsibility, respectfulness, fairness, caring and trustworthiness.



Dragon 8307



Griffin 7759



Lion 9144



Unicorn 8774

Mathletics Summer Challenge

This is a fun challenge for all the children from year 1 to year 6, which is running for 4 weeks during August.

Children in KS1 who take part will be awarded a certificate and house points in Assembly in September.

Those who participate in the challenge in KS2 will need to register online for the chance to win prizes including the chance to win a PS4.

All children will be bringing home a letter explaining the challenge in more detail. More information, including the information for parents and resources, can be found on the school website in the News and Events section.

Time to Say Goodbye

We were very pleased that we were able to say goodbye to children in Year 6 with a leaver's assembly. We wish them every success and happiness for the future.

This year we are saying goodbye to Miss Newman and Mr Pinto. Miss Newman is leaving us to join another school as a trainee teacher and Mr Pinto has a new teaching job in London. A huge thank you to them both for all their hard work and dedication – we wish them every success in their new roles.

In addition, Mrs Riggall and Mrs Tracey will be leaving us in October and November for maternity leave.

Welcome To

We are very lucky to be welcoming Mrs Richie, class teacher and Mrs Greer, trainee teacher to Potter Street in September.

Return to School in September

A letter was emailed to all parents on 13th July 2021 with details of return to school guidance for September. If you have any questions regarding this do not hesitate to contact us.

All that leaves us to do is wish you all a very happy and safe summer holiday. We look forward to the whole school being back together again on Wednesday 1st September 2021.

