

Potter Street Academy News

Dear Parents / Carers

As I stated last week, we realise that everyone's circumstances are different, and we appreciate all that you are doing to work in partnership with us.

We have been very impressed with the levels of engagement with live learning, so a huge well done to the children, parents/carers and teaching staff!

This week has been Children's Mental Health week. Please follow us on Twitter and see some of the amazing Emotional Wellbeing activities that children have been doing throughout this week. Thank you for all your photos and support.

Next week, teachers will continue to set Mathletics activities instead of live teaching Maths. In the session that would have been Maths, teachers will be focusing on mental health and PSHE activities instead.

On Wednesday (10th February) all pupils will be engaging in an internet safety workshop and on Thursday (11th February) all pupils will be engaging in Science live learning.

There will be no live teaching next Friday as all teachers will be writing their remote learning plans for next ½ term. We are all hoping to be back on the 8th March if not, we will be ready.

Please note that the 12th March INSET will be rescheduled. School will open on this day.

Mrs Holland



Star of the Week

Congratulations to this week's stars!!

Beatrix Class	Olly
Cobb Class	Charlotte
Hockney Class	Callie
Boyce Class	Riley C
Burman Class	Betina
Lowry Class	Harry
Ofili Class	Thea
Anderson Class	Edward
Banksy Class	Gracie
Hirst Class	Jason

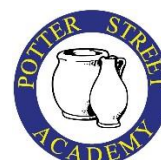
Make sure they look out for the post!!

FSM Vouchers

We would like to confirm that families who receive FSM vouchers will continue to do so over the half term holiday. These will be sent to you in the normal way.

Supervision Room

If you require a space in the supervision room, please let the school know by the Thursday before the week that it is needed. If you do require a space, please email office@potterstreetacademy.com. Thank you for your help.



Emotional Health and Wellbeing

Next week will see updates to our website. We are launching an entire section devoted entirely to Wellbeing. We will have links to stories (some of which can be found on Youtube), Top Tips, activities, ideas and details of where families can get support. We also have a new email address where you can contact a member of our wellbeing team if you'd like any advice, support or just a chat. We can be contacted at:-

wellbeingteam@potterstreetacademy.com from next week.

Parent support for Challenging Behaviour: We work closely with MIND in West Essex and they have their new online parent workshops starting after half term. Next term's focus is on Supporting and Managing Challenging Behaviour.

Challenging Behaviour: 6 weekly sessions on a Wednesday via Zoom

10.30am – 12.00pm

- 24th February
- 3rd March
- 10th March
- 17th March
- 24th March
- 31 March

If you would like to register your interest, please email senco@potterstreetacademy.com and we will happily discuss making a confidential referral for you. The sessions are fun and friendly and you certainly come away feeling like you are not alone!

Emotional Wellbeing Survey – at the beginning of next week we will be sending out a short survey for you to complete about our Emotional Health and Wellbeing provision in school. This is your chance to tell us what you think about the support we currently give children and offer some ideas of how we can be even better. The survey also asks if you would be interested in

being part of a Parent Group to work closely with us to think about how we can continue to raise the profile of Emotional Wellbeing in school. Please take the time to complete it when it arrives in your email. Your opinions and thoughts really do go towards shaping the support we offer children in school.

Potter Street Wellbeing Team are:-

Mrs Littlechild (inclusion Leader), Miss Beesley (Foundation Stage and KS1 leader), Mrs Hawkes (Learning Mentor) and Mrs Porter (Pupil Support). Please get in touch if you need any advice or support.

E-Safety Training Workshops

On Wednesday, children at Potter Street will take part in a workshop about E-safety which will be delivered remotely.

Prior to the lesson starting your teachers will share a code with you, you will need to click on the code; you may be asked to put in your child's **first name** and the school admin email address –

admin@potterstreetacademy.com

Wishing you all a lovely weekend, please continue to take care of yourselves and your families.

