January 2023

NEWSLETTER

potter street academy News

Dear Parents/Carers,

A belated happy new year to all of our families. The children have settled back into school successfully and we appreciate your continued support and partnership with us in order to maintain our high expectations. This includes children's behaviour and learning in and around school. I would like to remind you that we expect all our children to wear the correct uniform and complete home learning. Children who do not complete their home learning in KS2, will spend some of their lunchtimes completing it. If your child is experiencing difficulties, please let their teacher know so that we can support you.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Kath Holland

Emailing the School

If you wish to contact the school via email, please do so by using the email address admin@potterstreetacademy.com.

Some parents are emailing us on the Potter Street Academy (Please Do Not Reply) email address. This account is not monitored for responses and we are concerned we may miss important correspondence from yourselves.

Updated Information

Please ensure that the school office has updated contact information and details such as telephone numbers and email addresses so that all letters and school information is able to reach you. We need 3 contact details for every pupil to meet safeguarding requirements.

Staff Training Days

As previously advised, Friday 27th January is an inset day. Dates for 2022/23 are on our APP and website.

Harlow Educational Awards

On Thursday January 19th, The Harlow Educational Awards took place where children from Potter Street Academy were nominated.

Our previous year 6 children from the last academic school year (Hayden, Thea, Faaiza and Ronnie) alongside Dominic in current Year 5 were nominated for the awards.

- Thea was nominated for the Kindness Award.
- Faaiza was nominated for the Outstanding Achievement award.
- Ronnie was nominated for the Overcoming Adversity Award.
- Hayden was nominated for the Outstanding Effort Award.
- Dominic was nominated for the Contribution to the Wider Community Award.

We are delighted to share that Hayden and Dominic both won the overall award in their categories. All of the children should be very proud of their nominations and for their awards.









House Points

Children are busy earning house points by showing how well they keep the school values – responsibility, respect, resilience and relationships.

S.	Dragon	1482
S. C.	Griffin	1270
	Lion	1285
	Unicorn	1500

Parents Consultations

These are being held on:

7th Feb 1:30 – 4:00pm 8th Feb 4:00 – 6:30pm

Further details will follow.

Healthy Start Vouchers

Expectant mums or families who have a child/ren under the age of four **and** are on benefits, could qualify for Healthy Start vouchers which enable them to get free vouchers every week to spend on milk, fresh and frozen fruit and vegetables and infant formula milk. They can also get free vitamins for themself and their child.

For more information on eligibility and how to apply, please visit

https://www.healthystart.nhs.uk/

Time To Talk

Potter Street Academy and MIND are hosting a Time To Talk event on 2nd February at 3:10pm in our school hall; this is in support of children's mental health.

This event will include various wellbeing activities, arts and crafts and refreshments. Everyone welcome.

Author Visit

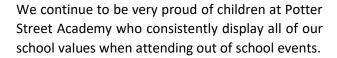
On the 30th and 31st of January, the author C. S. Clifford will be visiting.

The children in all year groups will receive a writing challenge followed by class workshops linked to the visiting author's books. Children may purchase a copy of one of C. S. Clifford's books on the day; please look at the following website: www.csclifford.co.uk to decide which book you wish to purchase. At the end of the day, Steve Clifford will be available to sign any purchased books and meet parents and children.



Sporting Events

What a fantastic start to the new term in PE. KS2 children have already had the opportunity to attend two sporting events. Pupils in years 3 and 4 took part in a Boccia tournament. Our two teams played very well and used the opportunity to apply techniques they had learnt in previous PE lessons. Year 6 students were able to attend a Tchoukball session. This was a completely new sport for our pupils who displayed great resilience and determination to learn Tchoukball. By the end of the tournament all children had understood the objective and the rules of the game.





Dates for the Diary

27th January 2023 Inset Day
30th January Author visit
31st January Author visit
2nd February Y5 class assembly

Time to Talk, hosted by Potter Street Academy and MIND – 3:10pm in

school hall

3rd February Y5 to Kidzania

7th February Parents consultation afternoon 8th February Parents consultation evening

9th February Y4 class assembly 10th February Non uniform day

Last day of half term – normal finishing hours

13th – 17th February Half term

20th February Children return to school

23rd February Spring disco



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