

March 2025

NEWSLETTER

potter street academy news

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we conclude another fantastic term, firstly I can't believe we are two thirds of the way through the year!

I also want to celebrate our pupils' hard work and achievements. Their enthusiasm for learning has been evident in exciting projects, engaging lessons, and impressive progress across subjects.

This term has been filled with memorable events, including World Book Week, our Rock Steady Concert, and thrilling sports competitions. I particularly enjoyed the Year 5 sleepover, though I am still recovering from the lack of sleep! Educational trips to the museum have enriched learning experiences, bringing lessons to life.

We've also focused on well-being, fostering kindness, inclusion, and resilience.

Looking ahead, we are excited for the Summer term, featuring school trips, Sports Day, and Year 6 transition activities. Thank you for your ongoing support in making our school a thriving, positive place.

Wishing you a restful break and looking forward to the new term

House Points

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



Dragon 1640



Griffin 1590



Lion 1851



Unicorn 1598

Congratulations **Lion House** for winning the House trophy with the most house points during all of Spring term.

Well done to **Dragon House** for winning the School Values trophy for the Spring term.

Well done to **Lion House** for achieving the best attendance for the Spring term.

Class Photos

Our school photographer is booked to come into school on 24th April for class photos.

Duxford – Year 6

On Tuesday the 25th March, The Year 6 children arrived at Duxford Imperial War Museum, eyes wide with excitement as they stepped into history. Walking through the vast hangars, they stood in awe beneath towering aircraft, from Spitfires to Concorde, each telling a story of courage and innovation.



Sports Update

We've had an amazing half term filled with incredible sporting events and fantastic achievements!

Our pupils have shown outstanding determination, sportsmanship, and resilience while participating in various Tag Rugby tournaments. A particular highlight was the Girls' Come and Try event, where our girls demonstrated amazing effort and teamwork, embracing the challenge with enthusiasm and a positive attitude.

We also took part in the Town's Cross Country event, where our children put in an incredible performance. Their hard work and perseverance paid off as they secured some fantastic finishing places – a true testament to their dedication and resilience.

Additionally, we competed in the PLC Football Tournament, where our teams showcased impressive teamwork and football skills. The players supported each other brilliantly on and off the pitch, demonstrating fantastic communication and strategic play throughout the competition.

We are so proud of all the children who represented our school with such passion and commitment – well done to everyone involved!

Art Session – Year 3

This half term Year 3 enjoyed a visit to Passmores to take part in a workshop creating pieces of art based on William Morris artwork. The children tried mono printing and block printing using different media types. A fun and informative afternoon was had by all!



Comic Relief – 21st March

On the 21st March, the children raised money for Red Nose Day. With your help, we were able to raise £103.10 for the charity.

Y5 Sleepover

On Thursday 20th March, Year Five spent the evening camped out in the school hall. We had an action-packed evening together, eating pizza, dancing, playing games, singing around the campfire and making smores – these were a real hit! We even tried a bit of stargazing before settling down with a movie. What a great evening!



Colchester Castle – Y4

On a trip to Colchester Castle at the beginning of term, the Year 4 children immersed themselves in the histories of the Romans and Anglo-Saxons. Throughout the visit, they engaged in hands-on activities, constructing Roman villas and Iron Age roundhouses. The children had the opportunity to interact with an array of fascinating artefacts. A highlight of the excursion was an informative scavenger hunt within the museum galleries, followed by a guided tour beneath the castle. Here, they discovered how the Romans built over existing structures and learned about the sacking of Colchester by the Anglo-Saxons.



Stars of the Term

Our stars of the term enjoyed their trip to Harlow Bowl on 2nd April 2025.

EYFS	Joseph, Amari, Sibela, Alicia
Y1	Myla, Lydia, Rayan, Warren
Y2	Jenson, Elliott, Harley, Hallie
Y3	Aleandra, Jasmine, Colby, Slade
Y4	Brianna, Jamie, Lilly, Abel
Y5	Chloe, Saarra, Immanuel, Logan
Y6	Callie, Ire, Ela, Emily

80th VE Day Celebrations

A letter has been emailed to all parents regarding the celebrations on 8th May 2025.

At 2.00pm parents are invited to come along and join us on the field for a VE Concert performed by the children. Please bring a picnic chair or blanket.

Children will be able to leave after the concert with parents, collecting from the classroom as normal.

Spelling Bee

We are incredibly proud of our Key Stage children who took part in the recent Cross-Trust Spelling Bee at Passmore. Competing against other schools, they showcased fantastic spelling skills, determination, and confidence throughout the event.

A huge **well done** to all participants for their hard work and enthusiasm! A special congratulations to **Jamie (Year 4) and Callie (Year 6)** for winning their rounds—an amazing achievement!

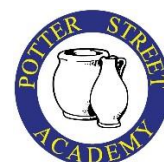
Everyone represented our school brilliantly, and we couldn't be prouder. Well done, everyone!



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Dates for the Diary

22nd April	Children return to school
23 rd April	Y2 trip to Colchester Zoo
24 th April	Class photos
25 April	Reports to parents
1st May	Y2 class assembly
2 nd May	Y5/6 swimming gala
5 th May	Bank Holiday – school closed
8 th May	80 th anniversary – VE Day celebration
9 th May	School disco
12 th – 16 th May	KS2 SATs week
16 th May	Y2 cricket
22 nd May	Y3 class assembly
23 rd May	Y6 netball
23 rd May	Non-uniform day
26 th – 30 th May	Half term
3 rd June	EYFS trip to Whitewebbs Museum
6 th June	Y3 trip to Fitzwilliam Museum
	Y6 rounders
12 th June	Y1 class assembly
13 th June	Girl's cricket (Y5/6)
19 th June	EYFS class assembly
20 th June	PS sports day
26 th June	EYFS parent meeting – Sept 25 intake at 1:30pm
27 th June	Summer fete
27 th June	Y1/2 gymnastics
30 th June	Y6 residential trip to Danbury
1 st July	Y5 at Passmores
4 th July	Y2 mini-Olympics
9 th July	Stepping up to secondary school – Y6
10 th July	Y6 leavers assembly
14 th July	Y6 to Southend
16 th July	New classes starts
	Y6 at Passmores
23 rd July	Non uniform day
	Last Day, finish at 1:30pm (No after school club)

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