

February 2026

NEWSLETTER

potter street academy news

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you and your children had a restful and enjoyable February half term. It's wonderful to see our school community back together, ready for an exciting term ahead.

As we settle into this half of the term, I would like to remind you that **assessment week** is coming up for **all year groups**. These assessments help us to understand each child's progress, celebrate their achievements, and identify areas where we can provide additional support. Please encourage your child to approach this week with confidence and a positive mindset—they have all worked hard and we are very proud of their efforts.

We are also looking forward to **World Book Day**, where a sea of characters will be roaming the corridors and classrooms! It's always a joy to see the creativity and enthusiasm of our children. We hope to welcome **as many parents and carers as possible** to join us in the afternoon celebrations—it promises to be a fun and memorable occasion for everyone.

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring our children are prepared, focused, and ready to shine. If you have any questions about the assessments or upcoming events, please do not hesitate to get in touch with your child's class teacher.

Warm regards,

Neil Gladwin

House Points

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



Dragon 1193



Griffin 1156



Lion 837



Unicorn 1090

School Dinners

Please can parents ensure they are checking the school menu before bringing children to school. We wish to avoid children arriving to school and requesting a packed lunch be brought to them.

Crucial Crew

On 17th March, Year 6 will be attending Crucial Crew. Crucial Crew is an interactive safety initiative based around key life skills for 10-11-year-olds. This is an annual event organised by Harlow Council and designed to put local school children's safety skills to the test.

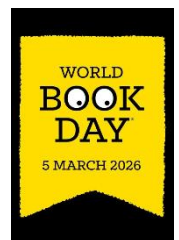
Attendance

Well done to Year 2 who are top of our attendance tree this half term with 97.8% attendance.

World Book Day

As part of our celebration of World Book Day on 5th of March we would like to invite parents and carers in at 2.55pm to come and enjoy a story with your child at the end of the day. More information will follow.

We look forward to seeing you all there!



Class Assemblies

All class assemblies start at 09:15am and will last approximately 20 minutes. We do hope you will be able to join us to share in the children's celebration of their work.

EYFS	21st May 2026
Y1	30th April 2026
Y2	4th March 2026
Y3	26th March 2026
Y5	12th March 2026

Parent Survey

We recently sent out a parent survey and would greatly appreciate it if you could take a few moments to complete it. Your feedback is extremely important to us. It helps us understand what we are doing well and where we can continue to improve, ensuring we provide the very best experience and support for your children.

If you have not yet completed the survey, we kindly ask that you do so at your earliest convenience. Your opinions truly matter, and we value the time you take to share them with us.

[Parent Survey Feb 26](#)

Congratulations

We are delighted to share some lovely news with you. Over the half term break, Ms Hawkes celebrated her marriage. She will now be known as Mrs Robinson.

I'm sure you will join us in congratulating Mrs Robinson on this wonderful occasion and wishing her every happiness for the future.

Practise Times Tables at Home with TT Rockstars!

We are encouraging all children to log in to Times Tables Rock Stars (TT Rockstars) at home to help build their confidence and fluency with times tables.

Just 5–10 minutes of regular practice a few times a week can make a huge difference! The programme is fun, engaging and helps children improve their speed and accuracy in a motivating way.

Children can log in using their usual school username and password. If you have any difficulties accessing the site, please let us know and we will be happy to help.

Thank you for supporting your child's learning at home.

Dates for the Diary

4 th Mar	Y2 class assembly
5 th Mar	World book day
6 th Mar	Under 5 dental check
12 th Mar	Y5 class assembly
17 th Mar	Crucial Crew – Y6
24 th Mar	Class photos
25 th Mar	Rock Steady Parent Concert
26 th Mar	Y3 class assembly
26 th Mar	Reward afternoon – star of the term
27 th Mar	Non uniform day
	Last day, finish at 1:30pm for the Easter Holidays (no after school club)
13th Apr	Children return to school



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