

June 2025

# NEWSLETTER

## potter street academy news

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we reach the end of another busy and rewarding half term, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on some of the highlights from the past few weeks.

One of the standout events was our **Sports Day**, which was a true celebration of teamwork, determination, and school spirit. The children gave it their all, cheered each other on, and made the day one to remember. A special **congratulations to Lion House**, who were crowned overall winners—an excellent achievement!

We were also proud to celebrate a key milestone with our Year 6 pupils as we handed out their **Leavers' Hoodies**. It was a lovely moment that marked the beginning of their final journey with us. This group has shown such **resilience and maturity**, especially during their SATs. They approached the challenge with a positive attitude and embodied our school value of **resilience** throughout—we are extremely proud of each and every one of them.

Next up for our Year 6 children is their residential trip to **Danbury**, which promises to be a fantastic experience full of adventure, team building, and memories to treasure. We wish them the very best for the week ahead and know they will represent the school brilliantly.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We wish you all a restful and enjoyable break when it comes.

Neil Gladwin  
Head of School

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### House Points

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



**Dragon** 2202



**Griffin** 1495



**Lion** 2243



**Unicorn** 1970

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### Notice of Meal Price Increase – Effective September 2025

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We would like to inform you that from September 2025, the cost per meal will increase to **£2.60** per day.

This price change is not a decision we have taken lightly. It reflects the rising cost of food and is necessary to continue providing high-quality, nutritious two-course lunches for the children.

Please be assured that we remain committed to keeping our prices as low as possible while ensuring every child continues to receive a healthy and balanced meal.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.



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## Tax-Free Childcare Vouchers

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We are pleased to inform you that from September 2025, parents will be able to use Tax-Free Childcare vouchers to pay for our Breakfast Club and After School Clubs.

Please note, this applies only to these clubs and does not include extra-curricular clubs.

If you currently use or plan to use Tax-Free Childcare vouchers, this will help make your payments easier and more convenient.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please feel free to contact us.

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## Sports News

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### **Potter Street Academy Secures Second Place in PCLC Intra-Schools Tennis Tournament and Celebrates a Strong Sporting Year**

Potter Street Academy is celebrating a fantastic achievement after finishing in second place in this year's PCLC Intra-Schools Tennis Tournament. The tournament, which brought together four local schools, featured exciting and competitive matches, with Potter Street finishing just behind overall winners Pear Tree Mead.

The team earned a total of 6 points following a strong win against Purford Green, a well-fought draw with The Downs, and a close loss to Pear Tree Mead, who topped the table with 9 points. The Downs finished third with 5 points, while Purford Green came fourth with 4 points.

This impressive result also secured Potter Street Academy second place overall in the annual PCLC competition—a reward for the school's consistent sporting excellence throughout the year. Earlier in the academic year, the school's netball team triumphed in the PCLC Netball Tournament, bringing home first place and highlighting the strength and versatility of Potter Street's young athletes.

Mrs Jones, a teacher at Potter Street Academy who coached and supported the tennis team, praised the students' effort and dedication. "I am very proud of all their hard work throughout the year. Each child who represented the school gave their absolute best. They showed determination, teamwork, and excellent sportsmanship," she said. "They have set a great foundation for the teams to come in future years."

With a netball victory under their belts and a strong showing in tennis, Potter Street Academy has enjoyed a memorable year in school sport—one that has inspired pride throughout the school community. Congratulations to all involved on a brilliant season of competition!

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## Potter Street Academy Sports Day

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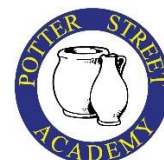
### **Primary School Sports Day – A Huge Thank You to Everyone!**

What a fantastic day we had for our annual Sports Day! A huge thank you to all the parents, carers, grandparents, and family members who came along to support the children — your encouragement, cheers, and enthusiasm created such a wonderful atmosphere for everyone.

We are incredibly proud of all the children who took part. They showed brilliant determination, teamwork, and sportsmanship throughout the day. Whether they were racing, jumping, throwing, or cheering from the sidelines, every single child gave it their best effort, and we couldn't be prouder of them all.

A very special thank you goes to Rosie Jones for organising the entire event. The amount of planning, preparation, and hard work behind the scenes does not go unnoticed, and the day ran so smoothly thanks to her dedication. From setting up the races to coordinating the teams, Rosie made sure everything came together perfectly.

It was especially lovely to see all the children proudly representing their house teams. The house spirit was alive and well, with the children coming out in full force, dressed in their house colours and singing their house songs with pride. The friendly



competition, positive energy, and sense of belonging were truly heart-warming to see.

We hope all the families enjoyed the picnic afterwards — it was wonderful to see so many people relaxing together, sharing food, and making the most of the sunshine. Events like these remind us how special our school community is, and how important it is to celebrate these moments together.

Thank you once again to everyone who attended, supported, helped, and cheered on the children. Days like these wouldn't be possible without your involvement, and we are already looking forward to next year's event!



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### Congratulations!!!!

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We're thrilled to share that Miss Green is expecting a baby! It's such amazing news, and we're all so pleased for her.

Please join us in congratulating Miss Green and wishing her all the very best as she prepares for this exciting new chapter.



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### Y3 – Fitzwilliam Museum

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Year 3 enjoyed a wonderful visit to the Fitzwilliam museum in Cambridge. While there, the children painted on papyrus paper and enjoyed learning about all the Ancient Egyptian artefacts that were kept in the museum. A great day was had by all!

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### 100% Attendance

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We are also excited to see who will be crowned the overall winner of our **100% Attendance Award** at the end of the academic year. It's an amazing achievement to maintain full attendance. The winner will receive a **£30 Amazon voucher**, and every child who has achieved 100% attendance will be awarded a **trophy** to celebrate their fantastic commitment.



## Dates for the Diary

30 <sup>th</sup> June	Y6 residential trip to Danbury
30 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5 road safety walk
1 <sup>st</sup> July	Y5 at Passmores
4 <sup>th</sup> July	Y2 mini-Olympics
4 <sup>th</sup> July	Parents informed of new classes
8 <sup>th</sup> July	Passmores performance of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory to Y4 and 5
9 <sup>th</sup> July	Stepping up to secondary school – Y6 workshop
9 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5 trip to Essex Outdoors
9 <sup>th</sup> July	Rock Steady concert to parents – 9:15am
10 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 leavers assembly
11 <sup>th</sup> July	Y1 trip to Leeds Castle
14 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 to Southend
15 <sup>th</sup> July	Class parties
15 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 last day
16 <sup>th</sup> July	New classes starts
	Y6 at Passmores
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Star of the Term reward afternoon
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Winning house reward afternoon
23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Non uniform day
	Last Day, finish at 1:30pm (No after school club)

