

Dear All

Welcome to all our pupils and families for the new school Year at Pot Kiln Primary School. It was lovely to see pupils returning to school and looking so smart in their uniforms.

This academic year we are focused on improving Attendance and Achievement at Pot Kiln. Our commitment to raising standards form the content of the Home-School agreement, which has been sent home for the start of term.

Together we can give all the children at Pot Kiln the best possible start to their learning journeys.

Kind regards

Sean Ambrose, Headteacher



We are thrilled to report that, in phonics, our Year 1 pupils achieved results above the national level for the second-year running in 2025/2026.

Also, we achieved our best ever End of Key Stage 2 results (SATs). We are now in line with national results, following an incredible 14% improvement on the previous year. Well done Year 6!

These strong results show that sending your child to Pot Kiln gives them an excellent start to their education journey.

Stop Press ... Stop Press ...

Please send your child to school with a named water bottle. It is important all children are able to drink water throughout the day. Clear water bottles are supplied in KS1 to help the children learn routines and ensure they are drinking water all day. Parents can send children with their own bottles with a drink for lunchtime.



Attendance

Class Winners

Years N to 2 winners
Bronze 99.23%

Years 3 to 4 winners
Boudica 99.06%

Years 5 to 6 winners
Yousafzai 98%

House Points

Blue 236

Green 212

Red 207

Yellow 221

Pupil of the Week

Donaldson – Albert

Jemison – Harry D

Andersen – Mason

Bronze – Poppy-Rose

Boudica – Micky

Nightingale – Arthur

Ali – Charlie

Luther King – Riley F

Yousafzai – Tobias

Safeguarding Corner

ChatGPT - is your child or teenager using ChatGPT? ChatGPT has parental controls which allow a parent or guardian to link their account with a child's account and manage a range of settings.

Parents can control things such as:

- additional safeguards around sensitive content;
- Voice Mode;
- image generation;
- memory;
- quiet hours;
- and some other ChatGPT features.

Importantly, linking the accounts does not allow a parent to read their child's conversations or monitor their chat history.

Link: [Managing parental controls in ChatGPT](#)

SEND Corner

Following the previous success of the Half-termly SEND Newsletter, we will be carrying this on for 2026/7. Mr Pemberton is currently sifting through the courses, offers and support on offer in our area. We hope to have the Autumn 1 edition available by the end of the week.

Extra...Extra

This October, Pot Kiln are hosting a FREE course for parents of children that struggle with their regulation or behaviour.

There are many reasons why children can struggle: trauma, having a diagnosis of a condition such as ADHD or autism, or simply 'it's just how they are'. Whichever way, parenting them can be really, really hard - there is no judgement here!

So, with this in mind please have a look at the link below for more details. The course takes place on Wednesday 7th and 14th of October from 10:00 to 3:00 (so it fits in with school timings). Note: the website says it is sold out - it is not, we reserved up to 10 free spaces for Pot Kiln.

<https://eequ.org/book/pot-kiln-primary-sudbury-behaviour-safe-with-activities-unlimited-23997>

If you would like to take advantage of this offer, please speak to me on the playground or reply to this email with any questions or simply a "Yes, count me in!" If you would like a second adult to attend, this is possible too (also free) but please let me know. Unfortunately, there are no childcare facilities available for either day.



We were very sad to have to tell pupils last week that Daisy, our School Dog, died during the summer holidays.

Daisy was 14 years old and became our first ever School Dog during lockdown in 2020. She was a friend to anyone who needed her and was much loved by children and staff alike.

In recent months her great age caught up with her and she was mostly to be found snoozing in the School Office, but she always made an effort for her special friends and special occasions. The last of these was when she joined in to wave our Year 6 Leavers' out of school on the final day of the summer term.

Miss Thomas, our School Secretary and Daisy's owner, would like to thank everyone for their very kind words, cards and memories of Daisy.

