

Newsletter

Friday 13th October 2023



Dear Parents/Carers,



There was magic in the air yesterday with Harry Potter Day in full swing! Despite the very wet weather, children and staff embraced the day with lots of creativity and energy! It was great to see so many wonderful costumes on display - please see further photographs enclosed.

Thank you to all those parents who attended this week's reading cafes and &iLearn ipad sharing sessions for pupils in Years 4-6. This is a truly exciting project that we are about to embark on. Thank you for your patience with this as we have worked to overcome some technical barriers beyond our control. Further information is enclosed, with more detail to follow in the coming weeks.

Thank you to those parents who have constructively made us aware about the difficulty in navigating the communication that is coming from school - with the introduction of the School Story adding an extra layer of communication on top of the newsletter. Communicating messages across a large school community is challenging but please be assured that we are listening and will look into how we can streamline our communication after half term.

We have had a couple of queries relating to a PD day that was cancelled last academic year by the trust - Friday 20th October is the final school day before half term.

If you have any questions relating to your child, or key messages for your class teacher, please do contact them via a message on Class Dojo, or using admin@placefarm.org.uk.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

Mrs McConnell
Head of School



Upcoming Dates:

October

17th October: OM Nurse led Puberty Workshop for parents 4:00pm

19th October: Autumn School disco – see enclosed information

Reception 2023 Open Event for prospective Early Years parents 9.15am

Reading Café for 2LA - 9:00-9:30 in school hall

3SJ Haverhill library visit

31st October: Deadline for applying for a secondary school place for September 2024

Half term: 23rd October-3rd November

November

6th November: Return to school

8th November: Class photographs

9th November: Reception 2023 Open Event for prospective Early Years parents 9.15am

Reading Café for 2SA - 9:00-9:30 in school hall

3KM Haverhill library visit

16th November: Reception 2023 Open Event for prospective Early Years parents 9.15am

Year 3 parents maths session 3:30pm in the hall (more information to follow)

Reading Café for 3SJ - 9:00-9:30 in school hall

2SA Haverhill library visit

20th November: Parents' Evening (3.45-7.30) – more information to follow

21st November: Parents' Evening (3.45-5.30)

23rd November: Year 2 parents maths session 3:30pm in the hall (more information to follow)

Reading Café for 3KM - 9:00-9:30 in school hall

2LA Haverhill library visit

30th November: Reception 2023 Open Event for prospective Early Years parents 9.15am

Year 1 parents maths session 3:30pm in the hall (more information to follow)

1ED Haverhill library visit

December

7th December: Reading Café for 4RG - 9:00-9:30 in school hall

1ES Haverhill library visit

14th December: Reading Café for 4KM - 9:00-9:30 in school hall

Rainbow Haverhill library visit

15th December: Carols on the playground and Christmas in Day – more information to follow

19th December: EYFS and Year 1 Christmas Nativity

20th December: EYFS and Year 1 Christmas Nativity

School term ends 21st December

January

3rd January: PD Day – school closed

4th January: Spring terms starts – (Thursday)



&iLearn 1-1 iPads update

The children are now using their 1-1 iPads in class, and their use will increase over the next few weeks as both the children and the teachers get used to using them in different lessons. We have had a few queries regarding when the iPads will be coming home with the children. We are currently unable to send them home until the children have completed their Pupil Passports (including their E-safety badges). Now that the children are able to use the iPads, we are hoping that this will take a couple of weeks to complete, so the children should be able to bring them home shortly after the half term break.

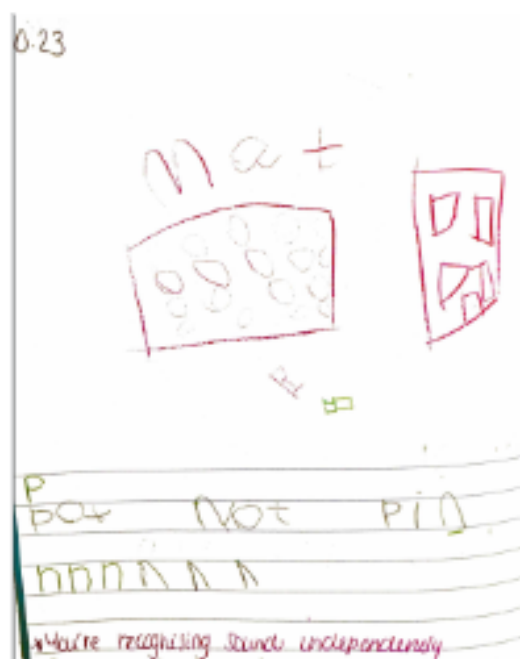
Please see below for a little snapshot of what writing has looked like across the school since the start of the school year:

Writing

- What a fabulous half term we have had in writing. The children have been writing in a whole variety of genres, linking their writing to the wider curriculum.

EYFS	Started their writing books and writing shopping lists in the continuous provision.
Year 1	Poetry and Setting Descriptions
Year 2	Character descriptions, poems and stories
Year 3	Poems, non-chronological reports and first-person stories
Year 4	Poems, adverts and first-person diaries
Year 5	Stories set in another culture and letters of application
Year 6	Autobiography, speeches and poems

EYFS:



Year 4:

We pizzas while we patiently ^{waiting} When we were cleaning the tables Mrs. Corrick made the greaseproof paper catch! ^{alright} ✓

I enjoyed the whole morning but my favourite part was eating the pizzas. Me, Tejas, Henry and Shayne said "It was the best pizza better than the shop's pizzas." ✓

The teacher said she was going to put the recipe on Class Dojo. So we can make them at home. I wonder what we are going to eat next I hope it's good. ✓

Dear Diary

Wow! What a messy cooking! ✓

Today is DT we made pizzas in the classroom. Mrs. Corrick has all ready made pizzas so she has a lot of experience. It was great. ✓

✓ Luckily for us we had a video to watch which taught us how to make a pizza. Then we washed our hands and took off our jumpers. We also cleared our tables. ✓

✓ In just 10 mins we did was make the dough. The ingredients we used were flour, salt, water and yeast. We added yeast so it could grow. The amount of water we used was 250g and a pinch of salt. Also we put in 200g of yeast. We then kneaded the dough and then we rolled it out to add toppings. ✓

Then Mrs. Corrick told us to put not to much tomato puree on the edges because we want a nice crust. After that we added our toppings which was cheese. Then Miss Morley walked carefully to the kitchen and put them in the oven one by one. ✓

Now they were nearly done. We could smell

Year 5:

Dear Ernest Shackleton,

I am writing to apply for a post position of a canoe cover when going to Antarctica. ✓

Kind, smart and positive. I believe I have all the personal qualities to make me perfect. Even though going to an expedition can be dangerous and worrying, but I will keep everyone's mind of it with my skills. My main skills are gymnastics, singing and teaching. ✓

9.2.23 I also have other reasons I would be a good person for the job. They are I have had a dog from the age of a one to eight years old. I have been on many dog walks with my dog during those 7 years. I have also had a pet care course. ✓

18.2.23 Finally, I have learnt in a pet care course all I need to know about dogs. For example, giving dogs carrots is okay because it's healthy for them. However, you should never give chocolate to a dog it's poisonous to them. In addition to that, I also know to ask before petting a stranger's dog. ✓

In conclusion, I would be perfect for the job. I am kind, kind, trained and positive. I would be great as you already know. ✓

Yours sincerely, ✓

Year 6:

Good afternoon and a warm welcome to everyone here today.

Have you ever thought about consicating, the consequences of consicating your child's iPad? Would they cry in despair? Or may they go on journeys and climb trees? ~~Amazons~~ I am here today to describe the answer to is you should consiccate your child's iPad.

Many of our children believe technology can ~~improve~~ ^{improve} and ~~improve~~ ^{improve} mental health. Studies show that 90% of children go on iPads and other devices often and they claim it improves ~~their~~ ^{their} people. Moreover, iPads reduce boredom by having entertaining and informative websites.

On the contrary, use of devices may lead you to gambling your savings away. In a recent survey, 7/10 adults got into gambling due to social links and pop-ups pop-ups. Therefore, many parents struggle to pay their rent.

To conclude the speech, there are large masses of facts and theories dividing the argument. However, I believe iPads and devices in school can be ~~beneficial~~ ^{beneficial}. I recommend putting a ~~some~~ ^{some} time limit as they can still be harmful.

As well as the usual curriculum writing, pupils got the opportunity to write as part of their Harry Potter Day. Here are some examples of Harry Potter Setting Descriptions:



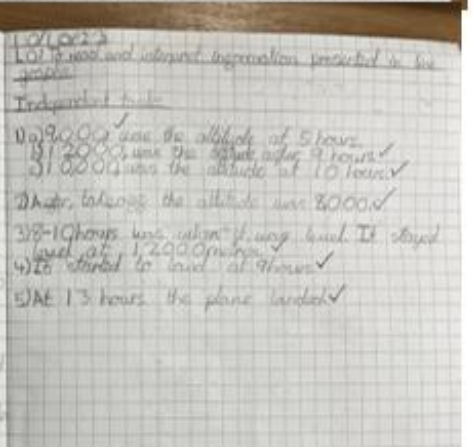
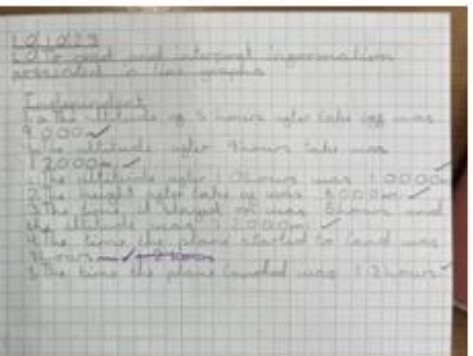
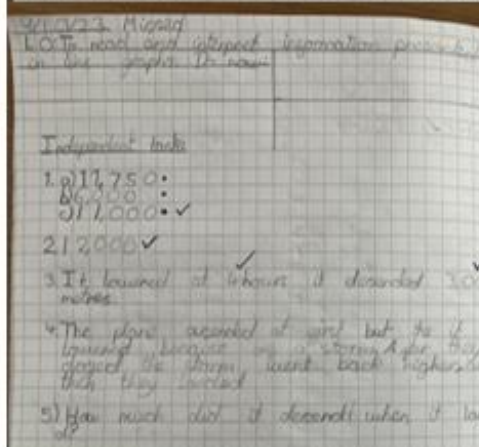
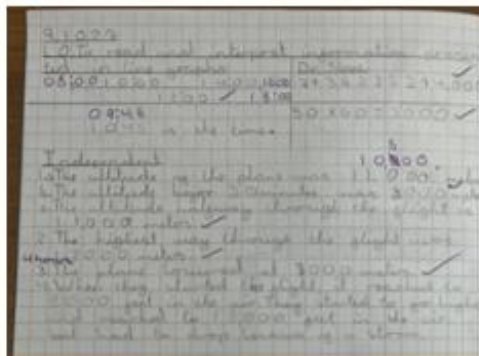
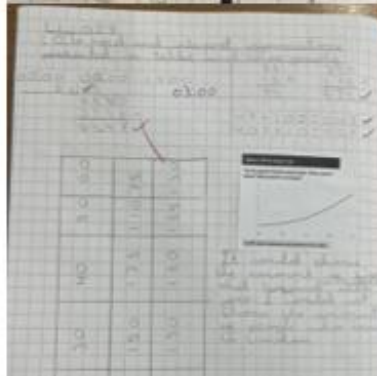
Please see below for what Year 5 have been learning about this half term:

Year 5 newsletter

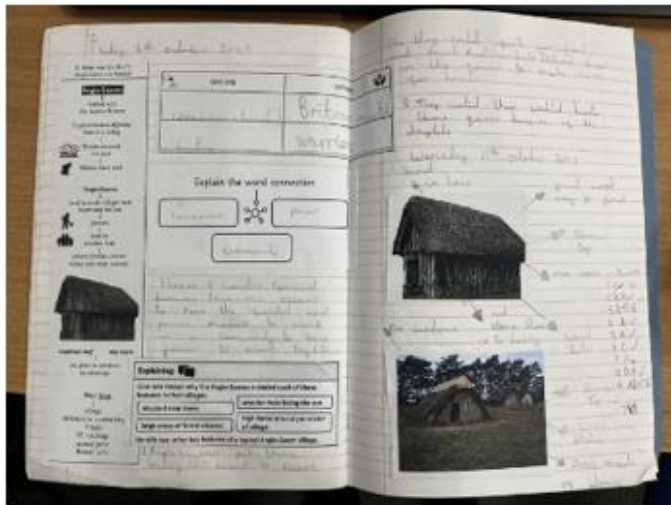
In ART, we have been learning about Hundertwasser. The children have created their own ART piece in the style of Hundertwasser with a link to our class novel *Shackleton's Journey*. Here are some examples of their work:



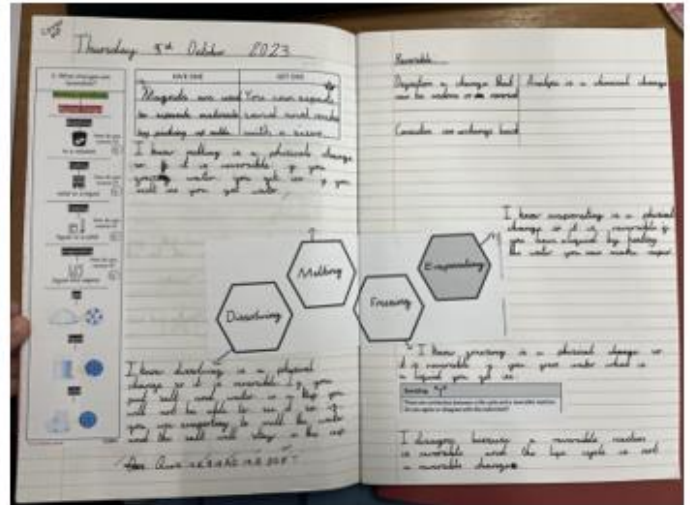
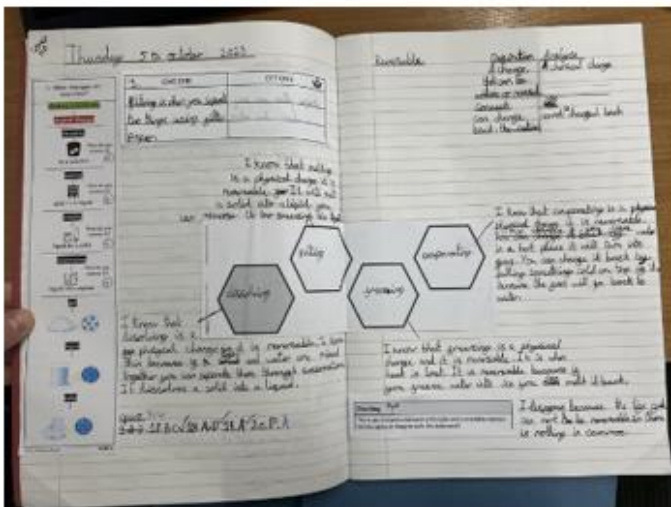
In Maths, we have started learning about timetables and line graphs. The children have practised drawing and plotting their data onto their line graphs. They have also been answering questions based on a graph. Have a look at some of their amazing work:



In History, we have been learning all about the Anglo-Saxons. We have explored where they came from, why they came and how they lived. The children have worked really hard on this. Have a look at some of their examples below:



In Science, we have been learning all about properties of materials. They have been exploring what changes to materials are reversible. They have been brilliant at this, see examples below:



Please see below a little snapshot into the learning that has taken place in Rainbow class this term so far:

Rainbow Class

We have been very busy in Rainbow Class since the beginning of term.

In our Art lessons, we have been finding out about some famous artists including Picasso and Van Gogh. We looked at examples of their work and had a go at painting our own self-portraits, which I think you'll agree look amazing!



In our reading lessons we have been focusing on Poetry. We have done some work on the poem 'Chocolate Cake' by Michael Rosen and we have written our own ode about a soft toy.



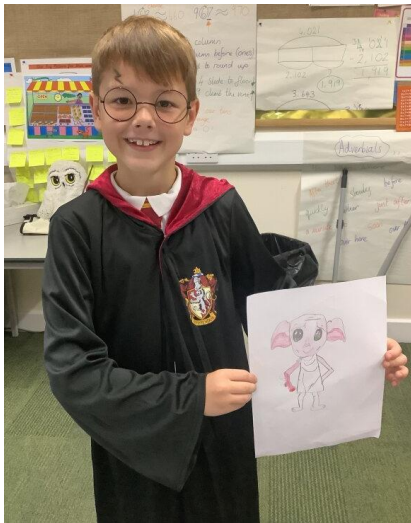
In Maths, the children have been exploring 3-D shapes. They sorted 3-D shapes into categories depending on number of edges, vertices and faces. The final challenge was to see who could build the tallest 3-D shape tower!



Harry Potter Day!

Harry Potter Day was a huge success. There were some amazing and creative costumes on display – here are just a sample!





OM NURSE LED PARENTAL WORKSHOP (PUBERTY)

On **Tuesday 17th October 2023 at 4pm** in the school hall, we have a visit from the OM Nurse, who will be leading a parental information session on Puberty. If you are interested in attending this session please complete the forms link below.

<https://forms.office.com/e/NNseND6USp>

Autumn Disco



Autumn Disco! **Thursday 19th October '23**

EYFS disco will run during the school day from 2:30pm until 3:00pm. EYFS pupils can wear non-uniform for this day. Tickets cost £1 and will include a snack.

Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 disco will run from 3:40pm-4:45pm. Pupils can bring party clothes to school to change into before the disco. Tickets will cost £3.00 and will include a snack.

Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 disco will run from 5:00pm- 6:15pm. Tickets cost £3.00 and will include a snack.

Children can also bring **up to £3** with them to purchase small items (detailed below). Pupils will need to look after any change during the disco so please try to give them the correct amount of money.

Glow sticks= 50p each

Finger lights = £1 each

Please pay for your ticket on ParentPay.



Reading Volunteers:



We are reaching out and looking for volunteers to come into school and listen to children read from different year groups .

This can be for an hour an afternoon or the whole afternoon – whatever availability you have will be a huge help to our readers.

There is a recruitment process to follow and therefore if you are interested please email admin@placefarm.org.uk with the subject: Reading Volunteer.

If you have any questions please do message Miss Jenkins on Class Dojo.

Thank you so much for your support with developing children who love to read! 😊

A weekend story/ poem from Miss Jenkins

Take a moment this weekend to sit and read the story/poem below. Discuss with your child/children the meaning behind the text. What have they learnt? Can they write something similar following the same structure/ story line? If they do come up with something amazing, please send it my way so I can display it in the library ☺

Song of the Kite

I'm a
space-hopping,
flip-and-flopping,
dipping, diving kite!

Up-and-over,
looming, zooming . . .
Race me through the night!

Blow me,
throw me,
on my windy way!
Dipping, diving,
looming, zooming . . .
Chase me through the day!

Judith Nicholls



Reception 2023 Open Events

Join us for a warm Place Farm welcome, a tour of the Early Years Unit and an opportunity to meet the EYFS teachers

Thursday 19th October at 9.15am

Thursday 9th November at 9.15am

Thursday 16th November at 9.15am

Thursday 30th November at 9.15am

To book a slot please contact the School Office 01440 702836 or email admin@placefarm.org.uk

October Half-Term Information



September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Suffolk County Council (SCC) is pleased to confirm a further discretionary grant is available to support low-income families over the October half term. The grant will be issued as a £15 supermarket voucher for each eligible child and is designed to help families with their essential living costs during the school holiday.

We have been informed that our supermarket voucher provider company 'Sodexo Motivation Solutions UK Limited' will be changing their company name to '**Pluxee UK LTD**'. The process of issuing the discretionary grant vouchers will remain the same and this is purely a name change for the provider. We anticipate this change will be in place for the October half-term issue of vouchers.

As with the summer school holiday issue of vouchers, the SCC Free School Meals (FSM) team will place the voucher order using the information provided by your child's school.

Could we please also ask that you ensure that your child's school holds the most up to date contact information for you, to ensure that the voucher is sent to the correct recipient.

We aim to have all vouchers sent to recipients by **Friday 20 October 2023**. If you have **not received the vouchers by this date** or in the event of any queries regarding the vouchers, then please contact our team at freeschoolmeals@suffolk.gov.uk rather than speaking to the school directly.

Please note, that if you have children who attend different Suffolk schools, you may receive your vouchers at separate times before the start of the school holiday.

Please look out for an email from noreponse@vouchers.sodexoengage.com, and please also check junk and spam folders before contacting us directly.

The voucher must be redeemed before the expiry date as failure to redeem by that date will mean you cannot be reissued, and you will lose access the grant.

We hope that this discretionary grant goes some way to help in supporting your family during the school holiday, whether buying food or freeing up some income to go towards energy and water bills or other essential living costs.

If you are financial struggling and require additional support, further information can be found at: www.suffolk.gov.uk/community-and-safety/communities/healthier/cost-of-living-support/.

Yours faithfully

Suffolk County Council

BURTON END PRIMARY ACADEMY



HALF TERM CAMPS

**25TH OCTOBER &
3RD NOVEMBER**

SCHOOL YEAR 1-6 CHILDREN | BOYS AND GIRLS |
9AM-3PM | £20 PER DAY OR £36 FOR 2 DAYS

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Mon 23rd Oct - Thurs 26th Oct

4-8yrs - 9:00am - 11:00am

9-14yrs - 11:00am - 1:00pm

• Per Day:

• £12 members

• £14 non-members

• Per Week:

• £40 members

• £48 non-members

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OCTOBER 2023

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CREATIVE
ACTIVITIES FOR
BOYS & GIRLS 4.5-12
YEARS OLD
8.15AM-3.30PM



Haverhill

Linton

Newmarket

Sudbury

Energy Squad

- ✓ Inflatable Fun
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- ✓ Multi Sports
- ✓ Mario Kart
- ✓ Nerf & Laser tag

Chill Out Squad

- ✓ Rock Painting
- ✓ Loom Bands
- ✓ Jewellery Making
- ✓ Colouring
- ✓ Den making
- ✓ & Lots more!

Children are able to
take part in
activities with the
chill out squad and
the energy squad!

BOOK NOW: www.prestigesportsdevelopment.com



October 2023 Holiday Camps – New MEGA ACTIVITY CAMPS

Samuel Ward Sports Barn in Haverhill

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are excited to bring our [Mega Activity Camps](#) to **Haverhill** again this October. We will be at The Samuel Ward Sports Barn, **Monday 23rd October to Friday 27th October** between 9am and 3.30pm. Early drop off is available from 8.15am too. For the extra Unity half term week from the **30th October – 3rd November** we will be at Samuel Ward again offering [Multi Activity Camps](#).

Our **Mega Activity Camps** are for **4.5–12-year-olds, boys and girls**, and are designed to be inclusive with activities for everyone. On our Mega Activity Camps, we have an **Energy Zone** and a **Chill Out Zone**. The high energy zone included activities such as inflatable fun, Nerf & Laser Tag, Multi-Sports, Ezy Roller Karts and much more. The Chill Out Zone includes activities such as Arts & Crafts, Rock Painting, Jewellery making, Board Games, Twister, Mario Kart/Crash Racing, Colouring, Lego & Fort Building. *Please note any 4-year-old attending must be attending primary school.*

We have 50 spaces per day available and the price is **£22.50** per day with an Extra cost of £2.50 for early drop off. Our Camp leaders and staff all work Full Time or Part Time within Primary School settings too. All staff have an Enhanced DBS check and are trained in safeguarding children. The days are built to be fun, safe and inclusive.

Each camp we do will have a minimum of two **fun inflatables** from our range of: Bouncy castles, Obstacle Course, Jumbo Slide, Sports Cage, Nerf Shooter, Traversing Climbing Wall, Hungry Hippo Game and Giant dartboards! We aim to rotate our inflatables between the venues we use each day too.

The [Multi Activity](#) week from the 30th October to the 3rd November is part subsidised by the Unity Schools Partnership and therefore has a cost of £18 per day.

Booking is all done online. If you visit www.prestigesportsdevelopment.com and click on the find your camp tab, it should be easy to book from there! If you have any problems, please email us on:

info@prestigesportsdevelopment.co.uk

Kind regards, The Prestige Sports Team

Abbeycroft Leisure Half term activities

ADVENTURE Days

For children aged 8-12

EXPLORE OUTDOOR

23rd - 26th October
10am-4pm

Archery
Pumpkin Carving
Axe Throwing
Fire Lighting
Shelter Building
Bottle Rockets
Team Games
AND MANY MORE !

FREE
For those who are eligible for free school meals or meet eligibility criteria

Lunch and snacks included
www.acleisure.com/HAF

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ADVENTURE Days

For children aged 8-12

EXPLORE OUTDOOR

23rd - 26th October
10am-4pm

ACTIVITIES UNLIMITED

Newmarket - 21st October
Haverhill - 24th October

FREE
For those who are eligible for free school meals or meet eligibility criteria

On these days we provide an extra instructor increasing our ratio from 1:10 to 1:5 to provide a little extra support to those that need it. Children will still be expected to be independent and manage their own behaviour and interactions with other children as set out in our behavioural policy.

Lunch and snacks included
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EXTREME ADVENTURE DAYS

For children aged 8-16

EXPLORE OUTDOOR

10am - 2pm

Haverhill 25th October
Bury St Edmunds 26th October
Stowmarket 27th October

£10
Per child for Activities Unlimited members / Young Carers / Children registered with SEND (EHCP/BSP)

FREE
For those who are eligible for free school meals or meet eligibility criteria

Climbing
Archery
Axe Throwing

A fantastic day out for the family

- Light your own campfire
- Take part in an outdoor cooking masterclass
- Cook your own lunch
- Experience the great outdoors
- Take home a weeks worth of ingredients

These sessions are subsidised by Activities Unlimited and aimed at young people with disabilities who can access activities independently.

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FAMILY Park COOKING

23rd - 26th October 2023

EXPLORE OUTDOOR

FREE
For those who are eligible for free school meals or meet eligibility criteria

A fantastic day out for the family

- Light your own campfire
- Take part in an outdoor cooking masterclass
- Cook your own lunch
- Experience the great outdoors
- Take home a weeks worth of ingredients

These sessions include outdoor activities, outdoor cooking class with a lunch provided, a recipe book and videos, and a food box for every family containing 20 portions of food

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Flu Immunisation information

This is the link for giving consent for your child to have the flu vaccine (mentioned in the poster below):
<https://eastanglia.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/suffolk>

Flu immunisation for pupils in school years Reception - Year 11

DEAR PARENT/CARER,

The flu vaccine is being offered at your child's school again this autumn/winter.

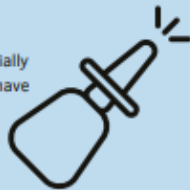
To give consent for your child to have the flu vaccine, please click here:

<https://eastanglia.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/suffolk>

Even if you do not wish for your child to have the vaccine, please complete the online form so that we can record your wishes.

THE NASAL FLU VACCINE

- ✓ Protects your child from the flu.
- ✓ Protects your family and friends from the flu (especially those who are elderly, young babies, or those who have serious health conditions).
- ✓ Is painless, quick and effective.
- ✓ Is free



THE IM FLU VACCINE



We also offer the flu vaccine as an injection, which is **gelatine-free**. This *may* also be the vaccine of choice for vegans. Please go to our website where you can find out more about the manufacturing of the flu injection, and then decide if the injection is more suited to your child.

You only need to complete one consent form for each child. If you later change your mind, please call your local team. If your child has this immunisation elsewhere after you have submitted the consent form, you **MUST** inform Vaccination UK rather than the school.

We understand that you may have questions about the vaccine. For more information, please go to our website, where you can find a list of FAQ's, as well as details of our community catch up clinics. We also have some FAQ's enclosed below.

You can also find informational videos on our YouTube channel, including subtitled versions for other languages.


Yours Faithfully,

Your Local Immunisation Team
Vaccination UK



SUFFOLK Immunisation Team Contact Details


suffolk@v-uk.co.uk


01603 394 103

WORKING ON BEHALF OF





USEFUL INFO

✓ We endeavour to come to your child's school twice. If they are absent or unable to be vaccinated at school, you will need to attend one of our community clinics for the vaccine. Details of these can be found on our website or you can contact the team above.

✗ **PLEASE NOTE** the flu vaccine will **NOT** be available to otherwise healthy children after **December 15th** at all, and so we urge you to return the consent form as soon as possible in case we are not able to visit your child's schools for a second visit this year.

✓ Your consent will remain in place for the entire flu season. If your child misses a first visit, you do not need to complete a second form.

USEFUL LINKS

 www.schoolvaccination.uk/nasal-flu
 www.youtube.com/@vaccinationuk



PRIVACY POLICY

Our 2023/24 policy can be viewed here:
www.schoolvaccination.uk/privacy-policy
For data protection queries, please contact:
dpo@vaccinationuk.co.uk