Newsletter



Friday 21st March, 2025

Dear families,

We've had a great week at Place Farm this week. We started the week with a CUSP lead school visit, whereby schools from elsewhere in the country came to visit and see our curriculum in

action. Our visitors dropped into lessons to see children at work, looked at books and also listened to a group of children talking about our curriculum - they were so impressed by what they saw. The children spoke so confidently about their learning - it was lovely to see.

We had another great celebration assembly today, including lots of outside achievements! Please do continue to bring these in so that we may celebrate our PROUD values beyond what is happening in school.

Next week we have parents' evenings on Monday and Tuesday. Please do book an appointment via Arbor, if you haven't already done so. If you are having problems booking on - please do contact our school office, who would be happy to help. As you arrive, we ask that you please make your way to the allocated classroom within 5 minutes of your appointment (signposting will be available). Staff will be available to ask if needed. We look forward to welcoming you into school!





Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Mrs McConnell

Upcoming dates:

March

Mon 24th Mar: Parents evening (3.45pm-7.30pm) Tues 25th Mar: Parents evening (3.45pm-5.00pm) Wed 26th Mar: Y5 Trip to Cambridge Museums Thur 27th Mar: 6EJ Reading Café 9:00-9:30

3SA library visit

Fri 28th Mar: Y4 Trip to West Stow

<u>April</u>

Thur 3rd Apr: 5ML Reading Café 9:00-9:30

Y6 Visit to Mosque 1ES & 2LP library visits

Spring term discos (further information below)

Friday 4th April: School term ends

Tue 22nd April: New school term begins

Thur 24th April: 2LA Reading Café 9:00-9:30 4RG & 1ED library visits

May

Thur 1st May: 2LP and Rainbow Reading Café 9:00-9:30

3KM library visit

Thur 8th May: 1ED and 1ES Reading Café 9:00-9:30

5JG & 5ML library visits

Mon 12th May: Y6 SATS week (Mon-Thurs)

Thur 22nd May: Class photos

Mon 26th - Fri 30th May is half term

<u>June</u>

Tue 3rd Jun: EYFS Trip to Boydells Farm

Thur 5th Jun: OAP and OCS Reading Café 9:00-9:30 Thur 12th Jun: 3SA and 6EJ Reading Café 9:00-9:30

Thur 19th Jun: Y5 Kip on a ship residential trip (until Fri 20th June)

3KM and 6SL Reading Café 9:00-9:30

Mon 23rd Jun: Year 1 and 2 Sports Day – 9:00-10:30

Tue 24th Jun: EYFS Sports Day – 9:00-10:30

Year 5 and 6 Sports Day – 1:30-3:00 Wed 25th Jun: Year 3 and 4 Sports Day – 9:00-10:30

Fri 27th Jun: PD day (school closed to all)

July

Thur 3rd Jul: 4RG and 4KM Reading Café 9:00-9:30

Wed 9th Jul: Y6 residential trip (Wed – Fri)

Thur 10th Jul:5JG and 5ML Reading Café 9:00-9:30

Fri 11th Jul: Reports sent home Tue 15th Jul: Y6 Graduation

Wed 16th Jul: Transition days (Wed-Fri)
Mon 21st Jul: Start of summer holidays

Uniform

Uniform and warm weather: The weather this week has been warm over the last couple of days, and the forecast is for this to be changeable over the next couple of weeks.

With this in mind, we are happy on this occasion for children to wear appropriate grey school shorts over the final two weeks of term (before our summer uniform starts after Easter), alongside the usual shirts and ties in Years 1-6.

Summer uniform will then formally begin after Easter – please see our website for further details: https://placefarm.org.uk/uniform

SEND Parent Padlet:

https://padlet.com/lkidd11/parenting-padlet-hgdrprcnhjl3ene5

Please use this link to have an explore of our new SEND Parent Padlet, which contains lots of information resources and links to provide you with support and advice. There are links to local groups, SEND resources and parenting tips.

NHS courses to support emotional health and wellbeing

The NHS have a website called 'inourplace' which provides online learning courses for parents and families to support with emotional health and wellbeing. Please see below for the link to this:

https://inourplace.co.uk/





Welcome to your place for emotional health and wellbeing

Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to everyone who received a certificate in celebration assembly this week. We had lots of children receiving their coloured certificates today as well as some PROUD certificates.

We also had several children who were celebrated for their achievements from outside of school.





The AR Word count champions for this week were 6EJ, the AR Quiz champions for this week were 3SA and the most improved readers were 6EJ.





Thank you for your ongoing support with this.

Attendance

In celebration assembly each week, we also celebrate the classes with the best attendance of the previous week. Attendance is vitally important to a child's success both in school and in later life.

In 3^{rd} place we had 4KM with 97.4% In 2^{nd} place we had 4RG with 98.1% In 1^{st} place we had 0AP with 99.2%

Whole school attendance was 94.9%

We are also continuing to celebrate maths achievements on tt rockstars. This term, we are presenting certificates to the child in Years 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 who achieved the most coins in their year

group, as well as certificates for the three children who had the biggest increase in their times table recall speed. Times table knowledge and fluency are so important in many areas of maths. Please continue to encourage your children to use tt rockstars at home.



Reading Café 6SL

We had a wonderful Reading Café for 6SL on Thursday, it was super! The children and their siblings enjoyed reading some lovely books with their families in our cosy setting.

Our children love inviting you in to share stories with them.

Thank you to everyone that has joined us so far, and we look
forward to seeing more of you each week.















Trust Council Day

On Frdiay 7th March, A group of four Year 5 children from Place Farm and Coupals attended the Trust Council Day on personal safety and the importance of belonging. The children enjoyed working and spending time together and with others from different schools. As one child summed up 'it's been fun and I feel I belong in a community of schools'.

They created and presented their own vision

boards about their life stories and their future, participated in sessions on Neurodiversity and Drug and Knife crime awareness from guest speakers. Coupals and Place Farm sat together at lunch over pizza!

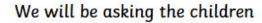








Easter Bonnet Competition



to take part in our Easter Bonnet competition.

If your child is interested in making a bonnet, please make them at home and bring them into school finished on Friday 4th April.











Easter Egg Raffle Competition

This year we will be asking for Easter Egg donations.

Children are encouraged to bring an Easter Egg into school on the morning of Wednesday 26th March.

The class who collects the most Easter Eggs wins a prize!

The Easter eggs collected will then be divided into hampers and we will have an Easter Hamper raffle.

The tickets will be available to buy via Arbor (school shop).

The price of the tickets will be £1.00 per ticket.

The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 2nd April – this will allow the winners time to collect their prize before the Easter holiday.





Spring Disco



Thursday 3rd April '25'



Payments to be made via Arbor

<u>EYFS</u> disco will run during the school day from 2:30pm until 3:00pm. EYFS pupils can wear non-uniform for this day. Tickets cost £2 and will include a glow stick and ring light.

Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 disco will run from 3:30pm-4:45pm. Pupils can bring party clothes to school to change into before the disco. Tickets will cost £3.50 and will include a snack. Please collect your child from the playground at 4:45pm. They will exit from their usual classrooms.

Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 disco will run from 5:00pm- 6:15pm. Tickets cost £3.50 and will include a snack. Pupils will enter the disco via the front gate near the office and exit from their classrooms onto the playground on Crowland Road. Pupils in Year 5 and Year 6 who can walk home alone will need to let the class teacher know in advance that they have permission.

Children can also bring up to £3 with them to purchase small items. 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

Ring lights = £1 each

20 is plenty!

Children who read for 20 minutes a day will...

Improve focus and concentration

Have a world of imagination and creativity opened to them

Have stronger writing skills

Improve and strengthen memory

Be exposed to 1.8 million words a year

Have a broad vocabulary

Have better general knowledge Improve test results

Improve communication skills Encourage a love for learning

Learn how to develop empathy

Improve critical thinking skills

Have reduced stress levels

Easter Holiday Activities

Prestige Sports

Prestige Sports will be running their Football Camps and Mega Sports & Activity Camps at Samuel Ward Academy this Easter! They will be on Monday 7th to Friday 11th April & Monday 14th to Thursday 17th April. They are open 9am-3.30pm with early drop off from 8.15am and late pick up until 5.30pm as optional extras. Payments can be made using the tax free childcare system too.

You can book online using this link: www.prestigesportsdevelopment.com

Use discount code: EASTER25 for early bird discount until 21st March.

Limitless Activities

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have **FREE places** for your children taking place at Westfield Primary Academy, Chalkstone Way Haverhill, CB9 0BW 9-3PM a meal is also included at **No Cost.** This Easter Holidays.

Click here to book and secure your no cost place- https://eequ.org/book/limitless-westfield-haverhill-with-limitless-sports-and-activities-11102

We offer an unrivalled range of limitless activities which may include Arts and crafts, Animal experiences, Dancing, Music Therapy, Sports and Games, Cooking and Baking, Giant inflatables, Magicians, Axe throwing, Laser Tag, Circus workshops plus many more!

No Cost places

We are the leading provider in the HAF programme meaning we can offer lots of **FREE** places for children who are in receipt of income related free school meals, Refugees, or a sibling who is starting school in September from the first two categories.

If you need any help or support please message or call our helpline on 07752810389

Click here to book
Click Here to Friend us on Facebook
www.limitlessactivities.co.uk



Premier Education

Easter Holidays - Multi Sports Courses

Fully funded HAF placements available for Free school meal qualifying families

Dear Parent / Guardian



We are really excited to be running holiday courses this Easter Holidays and wanted to inform you about the courses available to you locally.

As the UK's number one provider of primary school sport and physical activities, we know how important staying active is to the health, well-being, and development of your children. Our Holiday Camps are designed to keep your children active throughout the school holidays, introduce them to new and exciting activities, and create a fun-filled experience with seasonal themes that will stick with them for years to come.

Take a look at our Holiday camp video to get a feel of what to expect:- https://youtu.be/NPYCiabAtlM?si=4FpakED

Below is a list of available venues, dates and booking links for this forthcoming Easter Holidays:

HAF Placements - HAF booking options for free school meal qualifying families are available on the links highlighted below - fully funded by the department of education through Suffolk County Council.

Barrow Primary

Age range: 5-12 yrs Camp type: Multi Activity

Time: 9am-3:30pm Price: £24.99 per day

Dates: Mon 7th April - Thu 10th April

Booking links:

Parent funded: https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/5867-924547/

HAF Qualifying: https://eequ.org/book/premier-education-barrow-primary-with-premier-education-

west-suffolk-op19-5546

Clements Academy

Age range: 5-12 yrs Camp type: Multi Activity Time: 9am-3:30pm

Price: £24.99 per day

Dates: Mon 7th April - Thu 10th April

Booking links:

Parent funded: https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/5856-924548/
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education-west-suffolk-op19-8895

Howard Academy

Age range: 5-12 yrs Camp type: Multi Activity

Time: 9am-3:30pm Price: £24.99 per day

Dates: Mon 14th April - Thu 17th April

Booking links:

Parent funded: https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/5845-924549/

HAF Qualifying: https://eequ.org/book/premier-education-howard-academy-with-premier-education-

west-suffolk-op19-7261

Lakenheath Primary

Age range: 5-12 yrs

Camp type: Multi Activity

Time: 9am-3:30pm Price: £24.99 per day

Dates: Mon 7th April - Thu 10th April

Booking links:

Parent funded: https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/5845-924549/
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Thurston Academy

Age range: 5-12 yrs

Camp type: Multi Activity

Time: 9am-3:30pm Price: £24.99 per day

Dates: Mon 14th April - Thu 17th April

Booking links:

Parent funded: https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15834-924742/ **HAF Qualifying:** <a href="https://eequ.org/book/premier-education-thurston-academy-with-premier-education-academy-with-premier-educati

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West Row Academy

Age range: 5-12 yrs

Camp type: Multi Activity

Time: 9am-3:30pm Price: £24.99 per day

Dates: Mon 7th April - Thu 10th April

Booking links:

Parent funded: https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/5864-924660/
<a href="https://eequ.org/book/premier-education-west-row-academy-with-premie

education-west-suffolk-op19-11664

Please do not hesitate to contact Premier West Suffolk & Essex at opaynter@premier-education.com if you have any questions.

We look forward to seeing you.

Kind regards
Premier West Suffolk & Essex

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At 1st Kedington Cub Pack we; sleep in tents, light fires, hike for chips, make new friends, gaze at the stars, sew on buttons, help our community, sing silly songs, earn badges, giggle, eat marshmallows.... the list goes on! For #SkillsForLife and lots of fun, contact us

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