

Newsletter



Friday 14th March, 2025

Dear families,

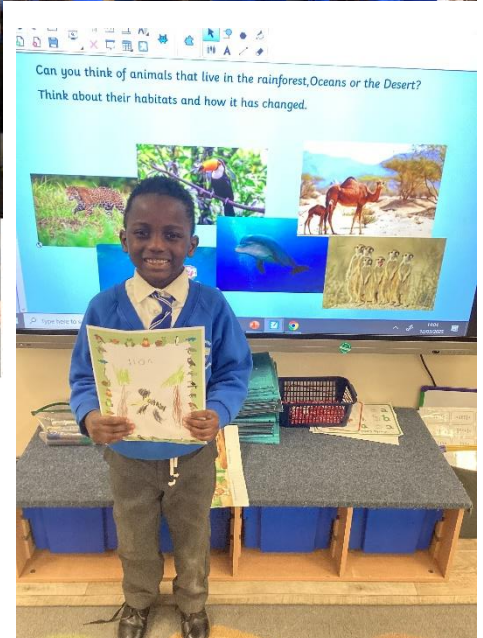
We have had a varied and exciting week at Place Farm this week. The children enjoyed a wonderful visit from J Grange (International Public Speaker, Musician and Neurodiversity Advocate), who shared his childhood experiences and spoke passionately about how neurodiversity is his superpower. The children asked some amazing questions and really engaged well with the assembly and workshops. They demonstrated our PROUD value of “Understanding” beautifully!

Alongside our usual reading cafes and library visits, we also celebrated British Science Week across school, and Year 3 enjoyed a trip to the cinema!

We have our Parents’ evenings coming up on Monday 24th March and Tuesday 25th March - times included in the dates section. All parents have received an email about this via Arbor, which is our new platform for booking appointments. We have had a couple of parents experience some teething problems with this - if you are struggling at all to book, please do contact our office, who would be happy to help.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Mrs McConnell



Upcoming dates:

March

Thur 20th Mar: 6SL Reading Café 9:00-9:30

Fri 21st Mar: Red Nose Day

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

April

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

Y6 Visit to Mosque

1ES & 1ED library visits

Spring term discos (further information to follow)

Friday 4th April: School term ends

Tue 22nd April: New school term begins

Thur 24th April: 2LA Reading Café 9:00-9:30

4RG & 2LP 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

June

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

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

Tues 24th Jun: 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

Tesco Stronger Start Grant

An application that we made to Tesco for funding the development of our outdoor learning provision was successful and from next week there will be the option to vote for our school to receive the funding. If you shop at Tesco, and you get given the blue plastic tokens, could you please put these in the box with our school information on which will say:

Place Farm Primary Academy
Outdoor Learning Enhancement
Haverhill

The grant will be used in an after-school club to create new wildlife habitats around our school site. This will enhance science learning that takes place inside the classroom.

Uniform Reminder

Just a gentle reminder that children should still be attending school in their winter uniform at the moment: white shirts and ties (Years 1-6), grey skirt/trousers and school jumper. The summer uniform can then be worn after Easter – please see our website for further information if you are unsure:

<https://placefarm.org.uk/uniform>

SEND Parent Padlet:

<https://padlet.com/lkidd11/parenting-padlet-hgdrprcnhl3ene5>

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 even had three pen licences to hand out to children who have been working on improving their handwriting.

We also had two 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.



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. 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 3rd place we had 4KM.

In joint 2nd place we had OCS and 4RG.

In 1st place we had OAP.

Whole school attendance was 94.7%





British Science week

This week, in science, we have been celebrating British Science Week.

The theme this year is 'Change and Adapt'.

The children have been focusing on changes in the world around us as well looking at how things adapt in our everyday lives and our world.



Neurodiversity Assembly and Workshop



J Grange, who is an international public speaker, musician and neurodiversity advocate, visited Place Farm on Tuesday morning to lead an assembly to Years 1-6. He then led workshops with Years 4-6. J focused on sharing his experiences of ADHD and other neurodivergent conditions such as autism, dyslexia and dyspraxia. J spoke to the children about how these conditions can provide challenges, however they also provide strengths.



Year 3 + Rainbow at the cinema!

The children loved their visit to Cineworld on Wednesday. They loved eating popcorn and enjoying the film with their friends.



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Friday 21st March is Red Nose Day. This year, the children are welcome to come to school wearing ~~non-uniform~~ please can they wear something red to celebrate this amazing charity. We are asking for a donation of £1 to this charity.

We hope you will take part!



Easter Bonnet Competition



We would love as many children as possible 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.





Place Farm Primary Academy

Breakfast and Afterschool Club

Newsletter



We provide a welcoming environment for children – who attend Place Farm Primary - from EYFS to Year Six. We offer the children a wide range of stimulating activities planned for enjoyment and relaxation with the opportunities to develop new friendship and skills. The activities are planned with the children's ideas and wishes included where possible. Activities are also adapted to suit the needs of the children so that they can all access the activities.

Welcome to Breakfast club,

Children are greeted with a friendly smile and we provide breakfast on arrival. They can then choose from a wide range of activities until they are escorted to their classrooms by a member of staff.



"I like breakfast club because I won't be hungry and I like being a waitress taking the children's orders." Emily

"I give Breakfast club 10 stars; I like chocolate spread on toast." Maria



Bookings for Breakfast Club must be booked and paid for in advance through the School Comms App by 6pm the night before your child's session.

Times and prices

Breakfast Club (Term-time Only)

7:30am to 8:35am	£5.00
8:00am to 8:35am	£4.00

Breakfast is provided for children - if required.

Breakfast includes:

- A variety of cereals
- Toast
- Milk and water

Afterschool Club (Term-time Only)

3:25pm to 4:15pm	£4.00
3:25pm to 5:15pm	£6.00
3:25pm to 6:00pm	£8.00

Parents to provide snack for their child.

Bookings and payments must be made via the SchoolComms app, in advance.

Booking for Afterschool club via the SchoolComms App should be made before 8:30am, after this time if you need to book your child for that day's session, please ring the school office.

Breakfast and Afterschool club is looking for donations of good quality games, toys and board games suitable for children aged 4 to 11.

If you have any of the above that your children no longer play with, and would like to donate, please contact Mrs Polley or the office.

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

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CB9 0BW

APRIL 9TH & 10TH 9-3PM

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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/NPYCiabAtIM?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/>

HAF Qualifying: <https://eequ.org/book/premier-education-clements-academy-with-premier-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/>

HAF Qualifying: <https://eequ.org/book/premier-education-lakenheath-primary-with-premier-education-west-suffolk-op19-5537>

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: <https://eequ.org/book/premier-education-thurston-academy-with-premier-education-west-suffolk-op19-5549>

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/>

HAF Qualifying: <https://eequ.org/book/premier-education-west-row-academy-with-premier-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

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