

Newsletter



17th January, 2025

Dear families,

We have enjoyed a wonderful week in school with lots of enrichment activities having taken place. The Year 2 Great Fire of London event this week was fantastic - the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves - getting to grips with the making of medicines, sewing, and writing using quills! Please see some photographs enclosed.

We also had another successful library visit for Year 6, and a Reading Café this week for OAP - thank you to all those family members who were able to make it. The children love these events!

Our Place Farm and Coupals Have Got Talent event is fast approaching on Friday 31st January. The finalists have been hard at work polishing their performances - we are very much looking forward to celebrating them showcasing their talents!



It was fantastic to celebrate such high attendance in our Celebration assembly this week - huge well done to 1ES, 2LA, 3KM and 3SA with 100%.

We have added dates to our upcoming dates list for World Book Day and Read Nose Day - please do take a look.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend,

Mrs McConnell

Upcoming dates:

January

Thur 23rd Jan: OCS Reading Café 9:00-9:30
Rainbow library visit 9:30-10:30
Thur 30th Jan: Rainbow Reading Café 9:00-9:30
4KM library visit 9:30-10:30
5ML library visit 1:30-2:30
Fri 31st Jan: Place Farm and Coupals Got Talent

February

Thur 6th Feb: 3SA Reading Café 9:00-9:30
Thur 13th Feb: 3KM Reading Café 9:00-9:30
Michael Rosen workshop Yrs 5&6

Mon 17th – Fri 21st Feb is half term

Thur 27th Feb: 4KM Reading Café 9:00-9:30

March

Thur 6th Mar: 4RG Reading Café 9:00-9:30
World Book Day
Thur 13th Mar: 5JG Reading Café 9:00-9:30
Fri 14th Mar: Red Nose Day
Thur 20th Mar: 6SL Reading Café 9:00-9:30
Mon 24th Mar: Parents evening (further information to follow)
Tue 25th Mar: Parents evening (further information to follow)
Thur 27th Mar: 6EJ Reading Café 9:00-9:30
Fri 28th Mar: Y4 Trip to West Stow

April

Thur 3rd Apr: 5ML Reading Café 9:00-9:30
Y6 Visit to Mosque

Friday 4th April: School term ends

Tue 22nd April: New school term begins

May

Mon 12th May: Y6 SATS week (Mon-Thurs)
Thur 22nd May: Class photos

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.

Water Bottles

We kindly ask that children bring in plastic water bottles, rather than the metal versions. This is for health and safety reasons to avoid injuries related to any knocks or drops. Thank you for your support with this! 😊

SEND Parent Padlet:

<https://padlet.com/lkidd11/parenting-padlet-hgdprcnhjl3ene5>

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.

Celebration Assembly



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

The AR Word count champions for this week were 5ML, the AR Quiz champions for this week were 5ML and the most improved readers were 4KM.



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. We also celebrated the problem-solvers of the week in Year 1 and Rainbow class.

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 OCS with 98.7%

In 2nd place we had 2LP with 98.8%

In 1st place we had a 4-way tie between 1ES, 2LA, 3KM and 3SA with 100%

Whole school attendance was 97%



Year Great Fire of London Experience

Year 2 Great Fire of London experience.

History off the page



Year 2 had lots of fun during their trip day on Monday. They got to experience what London was like during 1666.

World Book Day – Thursday 6th March 2025

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Thursday 6 March

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This year, children can come to school dressed as a **character from their favourite book**. Please find some easy costume ideas below.

If your child does not want to dress up, please send them to school in their usual school uniform.

We would like every child to bring in their favourite book so they can share it in class.



JOIN THE FAMILY NUMERACY PROGRAMME

-  Starts: February 2025
-  12 engaging classroom & home learning sessions
-  Contribute to an England-wide research trial into adult numeracy

The trial is a family learning numeracy programme for adults and children (Year 2 or Year 3) to build maths confidence and understanding together.

The programme is designed to introduce concepts, build skills and confidence in maths for parents and carers to support children's maths learning.

This approach is a series of structured, in-person group, learning sessions designed for adults and their children to bolster both numeracy learning and family learning.

The sessions align learning outcomes from KS1 children (Yr2) with Level 1 functional skills.



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February Half-Term

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Kind Regards

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FEBRUARY HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUBS!

- Haverhill
- Ickworth Park
- Linton
- Radwinter/Great Easton
- Sudbury
- Stetchworth
- Soham
- Great Yeldham

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