Newsletter

Friday 19th April 2024



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the start of the summer term! I'm not sure the weather is aware that we have now entered summer, but hopefully some sunshine is around the corner!

It has been lovely seeing children and families return to school this week. Children are now able to wear the summer uniform, should they wish - please do see the checklist enclosed as a reminder of what this looks like. If children do not wish to wear the summer uniform, a shirt and tie continues to be fine.

Kiiwii (our uniform provider) are currently running an early bird offer on school uniform for next year - please do take look at the information enclosed.

As you can see from the upcoming dates list - we are at the start of a very exciting and busy term. We have added some times to key dates listed and look forward to having you join us for these events.

Next week we have some science workshops running in school, which promise to be very exciting. We

look forward to sharing some photos of these in next week's newsletter.

Special well done to the football team, who played this week at New Cangle, who demonstrated the PROUD values beautifully in working well as a team - great to start the term with a win!

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.



Mrs McConnell Head of School

Upcoming dates:

<u>April</u>

22nd April: Science Week

23rd April: Year 2 Local walk trip

STEM Science Workshop – Rocket Launch

25th April: 3SJ Reading Café

> 4RG visit to Haverhill library 4KM visit to Haverhill library

STEM Science Workshop - Kinetic Science

26th April: STEM Science Workshop – Curiosity Cube (Year 4)

May

2nd May: 3KM Reading Café

> 5JG visit to Haverhill library 5CM visit to Haverhill library

3rd May: Year 3 trip to Colchester Castle

Purple Day (further information below)

8th May: EYFS trip to Boydells Farm

9th May: 4RG Reading Café

1ED visit to Haverhill library

13th May: Start of Y6 SATs (Monday to Thursday)

23rd May: Class photos

27th May - 31st May - Half term break

June

3rd June: **PD Dav**

6th June: Year 2 trip to Felixstowe

5CM Reading Café

10th June: Years 1 & 2 Sports Day (9 – 10:30am)

11th June: EYFS Sports Day (9 – 10:30am)

Years 5 & 6 Sports Day (1:30 – 3:00pm)

12th June: Years 3 & 4 Sports Day (9 – 10:30am)

13th June: OAP and OLP Reading Café

3KM visit to Haverhill library 3SJ visit to Haverhill library

20th June: 5JG Reading Café

2LA visit to Haverhill library 2SA visit to Haverhill library

24th June: Year 5 Residential trip – Kip on a Ship (25th – 26th June)

27th June: 6EJ and 6SL Reading Café

1ES visit to Haverhill library

28th June: PD Day

<u>July</u>

3rd July: Y6 trip to Gulliver's Land 4th July: 4KM Reading Café 11th July: Summer Disco 12th July: Y6 Graduation

Reports sent to parents

17th July: Year 6 transition days 17th – 19th July (Castle Manor and Samuel Ward Academy)

19th July: Last day of term

Events and Trips this week

Year 6 Library Visit

On Thursday, Year 6 visited Haverhill library. Please see a selection of photos from the trip.









Place Farm Football Fixture



On Tuesday, Place Farm played against New Cangle.

Mr Jones, who accompanied the team, had this to say: A great way to start the term with a 6-2 win today. Some great goals and the win moves them up into second place in the league! Well done boys!

Easter Reading Challenge

125 children took part in the Easter Read. The class teachers counted up how many times each child read and then sent this information to Miss Jenkins. Miss Jenkins input all of the information, and the winners/runner ups were selected at random.

Two children in the school read 20 times! They also won an Easter Egg.

Well done to everyone who took part, and congratulations to our winners!



2SA Reading Café

On Thursday, we held a very busy Reading Café for 2SA. The children loved sharing books with their families, we even had some younger siblings joining us! We are trying something new this year, and giving the children a question or statement to think about when they are sharing stories. We had some lovely responses to "If you could go into any story for a meal, which would you choose and why?'. I hope you enjoy reading their thoughts.

Thank you to everyone who has supported our Reading Cafes, and we look forward to seeing more of you very soon 😊













Place Farm Sports Captains



Sports Captains are new this year to Place Farm and will have a vital role within sport and PE moving forward. The 8 children (soon to be 10 with Year 2 representatives joining soon) were chosen through an interview process where they were asked why they would like to become a Sports Captain and what they would bring to PE at Place Farm.

Their new roles will include:

- Assisting the coaches in PE with equipment and warm ups.
- Keeping the PE cupboard tidy
- ullet Being trained and running sporting activities on the field at lunch time for the other children.

Celebration Assembly

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





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.

Go Purple Day



Go Purple Day 3rd May in support of Cancer Research

We would like to show our support for Cancer Research by supporting Go Purple Day this year.

Pupils should come to school wearing school uniform, but are able to wear an item that is purple in support of Cancer Research. This could include, for example: a hair band, socks, t-shirt or jumper over the usual school uniform.

Please note that the £1 donation is a voluntary contribution.

<u>Uniform expectations for the summer term</u>

Summer Uniform

Children may continue to wear their shirts and ties, skirts and trousers for the summer months, or alternatively, they may wear the summer uniform:

White polo shirt with school logo

Grey tailored shorts/trousers Blue/white check summer dress or grey skirt

Black school shoes/white or grey socks (Please note that from September 2023 we will also allow pupils to wear <u>plain</u> black trainers).

Pupils may continue to wear their summer uniform up until October half term. After this point, shirts and **ties** should be worn.

PE Kit - All Year Groups

Either a plain white polo shirt/plain white t-shirt or polo shirt with school logo from supplier.

Blue shorts

Blue jogging bottoms (optional)

Trainers

Blue socks (optional)

Purchasing uniform for next year

http://www.cpat.kiiwiiclothing.co.uk/
Please see the email below from Kiiwii clothing:





Dear Parent or Carer,

KiiWii are very proud to support many local schools with the "Online" supply of school uniform. You may have purchased uniform from us previously, so it's important we share with you information about the ordering process to ensure a smooth back to school period whilst giving you a "Stress Free" summer.

The reasons this ordering process will benefit you:

- 1. Reduce & hopefully eliminate the previous delays from manufacturing & supply.
- 2. Eliminate the "last minute" rush of orders which impacts our supply to you as parents.
- 3. Stop children starting the new school year without the full uniform.
- Benefit from a 10% "Early Bird" discount if you place your order between 2nd April & 31st May.
- Giving you the opportunity to collect your uniform order Free of Charge before the end of the Summer Term, avoiding shipping charges during school holidays.
- 6. Giving you time to Pre-Arrange swaps if needed.
- Our collection events will not impact your family time over the holidays, leaving you to enjoy a well-earned rest....
- 8. Saving you money & stress.

How to get your "Early Bird" Discount

- Orders MUST be placed between 2nd April & 31st May to receive the discounted prices.
- On the 2nd April the uniform website will be updated to show the "Early Bird" REDUCED PRICES. The reduced prices will remain live until 31st May.
- 3. On the 1st June the website will revert back to Full Prices.

How to order

- Visit <u>www.cpat.kiiwiiclothing.co.uk</u> to place your order, this is the web address to purchase your "Place Farm Primary Academy" school uniform (Not the KiiWii website)
- If you haven't bought school uniform from us before, then you'll need to register to place your first order. You can find this in the top right-hand corner of the homepage. Future orders can then be placed using your chosen login details.
- Measuring Guides You're able to view a measuring guide for each item of uniform via the home page. To do this, click on the Place Farm logo with uniform measuring guides underneath in red (a copy of the these measuring guides are attached to this letter to help).
 For any assistance with measuring please feel free to call us on 01440 730 330 & we'd be happy to help.
- 4. To Order Click on the "Place Farm" logo to view the uniform we offer.
- Click on the picture of the item you need & add the quantities to the sizes you require, then add them to the cart.
- 6. Once your order is complete, Click "Check Out"

- Enter your "Billing Address" & tick to agree to the "Terms & Conditions" to be able to proceed to the "Shipping Methods" page.
- From the "Shipping Methods" page you can either choose to collect your order from one of our Free Collection Events (All events are held at Castle Manor Academy main entrance) or have your order shipped home/work (CPAT Carriage costing £7.50). All orders for home/work shipping will NOT start being despatched until the 1st week of July onwards.
- You'll receive an email from us to let you know your order has been packed & will be available to collect from your chosen collection event or with details of your home/work delivery.

IMPORTANT - Dates for your diary

2nd April The Uniform Website will go into "Back to School" mode. Any small Top-Up / Replacement orders for lost or outgrown items MUST be placed with us by phone only 01440 730330.

This way we can still offer delivery to the school office for free as we normally would. Any web orders placed will only follow the processes outlined in this letter.

2 nd April – 31 st	May – Prices are reduced on the website
1 st June	Full Prices will apply.
28 th June	5:30pm cut off to place orders to be picked up form the 6 th July First Collection Event.
1 st July	Orders which have paid for Home/Work shipping will start to be dispatched.
5 th July	$5{:}30 pm$ cut off to place orders to be picked up from the $13^{th} July Collection/Swap$ Event.
6 th July	First Collection Event – At "Castle Manor Academy / Eastern Avenue, CB9 9JE" Main entrance 9am – 11am (This is a COLLECTION EVENT ONLY for pre orders)
13 th July	Collection/Swap Event - At "Castle Manor Academy / Eastern Avenue CB9 9JE" Main entrance 9am – 11am (This is a COLLECTION / SWAP EVENT for pre orders & pre-arranged swaps)
19 th July	5:30pm cut off to place orders to be picked up from the 10 th August Collection / Swap Event
24 th July	From this date onwards, ALL ORDERS will be shipped to home/work at a cost of £7.50
10 th August	Collection/Swap Event - At "Castle Manor Academy / Eastern Avenue CB9 9JE" Main entrance 9am – 11am (This is a COLLECTION / SWAP EVENT for pre orders & pre-arranged swaps)
3 rd Sept	Orders placed from the 3 rd September will have the option to choose "Collection from school office" once your confirmation email is received. (Subject to stock availability)

Swaps & Exchanges

We have provided measuring guides to help you size your child which are available on the uniform website & attached to this letter. We understand that some swaps / exchanges will still be needed. The earlier your order is placed, the more time we will have to arrange this with you.

All swaps & exchanges need to be pre-arranged by calling our office on 01440 730 330 or emailing sales@kiiwiiclothing.co.uk we can then check stock & offer you the available dates to make your swap.

We understand that some children can have a last-minute change of school/circumstances & may no longer require the uniform purchased. Rest assured, we will happily refund you at the prices you paid when the order was placed for any unwanted items.

All items being returned or swapped must be in original condition with any labels and tags remaining. We are not authorised to refund or swap any items that have been washed or worn.

Looking forward to helping you in any we can.

The KiiWii Team

2024 Uniform Pricelist

2024 Pricelist		Early Bird Price (- 10%)	
	Full	Between	EARLY BIRD
	Price	2nd April - 31st May	YOU SAVE!
Compulsory Uniform			
Junior V-Neck Jumper - Sizes: 3/4 yrs - 13/14 yrs	£12.25	£11.03	£1.23
Senior V-Neck Jumper - Sizes: XS - Medium	£13.25	£11.93	£1.33
Junior Cardigan - Sizes: 3/4 yrs - 13/14 yrs	£13.75	£12.38	£1.38
Senior Cardigan - Sizes: XS - Medium	£15.45	£13.91	£1.55
Junior Summer Polo - Sizes: 3/4 yrs - 13/14 yrs	£6.75	£6.08	£0.68
Senior Summer Polo - Sizes: XS - Medium	£7.50	£6.75	£0.75
Tie - Classic, Elastic & Clip-On - (From Year 1 onwards)	£5.75	£5.18	£0.58

Optional Items			
Junior Jogging Pants - Sizes: 3/4 yrs - 13/14 yrs	£9.50	£8.55	£0.95
Senior Jogging Pants - Sizes: XS - Medium	£11.25	£10.13	£1.13
Junior P.E Shorts - Sizes: 22" - 28/30"	£5.90	£5.31	£0.59
Senior P.E Shorts - Sizes: 32" or 34"	£6.90	£6.21	£0.69
P.E Socks - Sizes: Small (9-12) - Medium (1-5.5)	£5.25	£4.73	£0.53
Book Bag	£7.20	£6.48	£0.72

V-Neck Sweatshirt and Cardigan's Measuring Guide

How to measure your chest

Measure around the fullest part of the chest, making sure that the tape is level under the arms and across the shoulder blades. Make sure you are relaxed when measuring to get a true measurement.

V-Neck Sweatshirts and Cardigans

Chest size to fit (inches)	24"	26"	28"	30"	32"	34"	XS	Small	Medium
Size to order	24	26	28	30	32	34	35-36	36-38	38-40
Rough conversion to ages	3-4yrs	5-6yrs	7-8ys	9-10yrs	11-12yrs	13-14yrs			





Ordering Junior sizes

Please order the normal size (Age) that you would normally buy for your child If you normally buy a larger size than their actual age from High Street stores, please apply the same process when ordering these garments.



Summer Polo shirt - Can be used in the Summer as an alternative to Shirt & Tie. Can be worn for P.E., but this isn't compulsory.

Chest size to fit (inches)	24"	26"	28"	30"	32"	XS	Small	Medium
Size to order	24	26	28	30	32-34	35-36	36-38	3840
Rough conversion to ages	3-4yrs	5-6yrs	7-Byrs	9-10yrs	11-13 yrs			

Jogging Bottoms & Shorts Measuring Guide

How to measure your waist

Measure around the waist at the natural waistline (smallest part). In younger children this is usually midway between the bottom rib and the hip bone.

Junior & Senior - P.E Shorts

		Junio		Senior Sizes		
Child / Adult	22'	24"/26"	25"/28"	28/30"	32"	34"
Size to order	12	26.25	2628	2810	32	76





Junior Jogging Bottoms

Waist size to fit (inches)	3-4yrs	5-6 yrs	7-8yrs	9-10yıs	11-12yrs	13-14yrs
Size to order	24	26	28	30	32	34

Senior Jogging Bottoms

Waist size to fit (inches)	XS	Small	Medium			
Size to order	XS	Small	Medium			

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<u>Parent Workshops</u>

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Virtual Triple P - Family Transitions

From 12.30 pm to 2.30 pm via Microsoft Teams

Family Transitions Triple P is a programme aimed at parents who have been or are going through separation and divorce where there are unresolved conflicts causing difficulties communicating effectively with former partners. Parents may be concerned that the separation or divorce is upsetting their children, or they may want to learn ways to talk to their children about it and teach them ways to cope. Parents who do this course may have ongoing concerns about their child's behaviour. Parents learn to recognise the parent traps during separation and divorce, to how talk to their children about separation and divorce and to help children manage their emotions. Note: These 5 sessions can be followed by Group Triple P, Group Teen Triple P, or Group Stepping Stones Triple P. We would recommend parents continue after completing Triple P Family Transitions with these programme(s).

COURSE DATES

Session 1 Tuesday 16 April 2024 Session 2 Tuesday 23 April 2024 Session 3 Tuesday 30 April 2024 Session 4 Tuesday 7 May 2024 Session 5 Tuesday 14 May 2024



Important information and how to book onto a course

- For further information call the Area Parenting Co-ordinator, Emma Remblance 07514 721 874 or Dominique Scanlan 07707295176
- Bookings to the County Parenting Team can be made through Suffolk's online Portal: https://earlyhelpportal.suffolk.gov.uk/web/portal/pages/home. Or use your mobile phone to scan the QR code to book your place.
- If you experience difficulties with the Portal or have any questions, please email parenting@suffolk.gov.uk
- For all our parenting groups, programmes and seminars, visit Parenting programmes overview Suffolk County



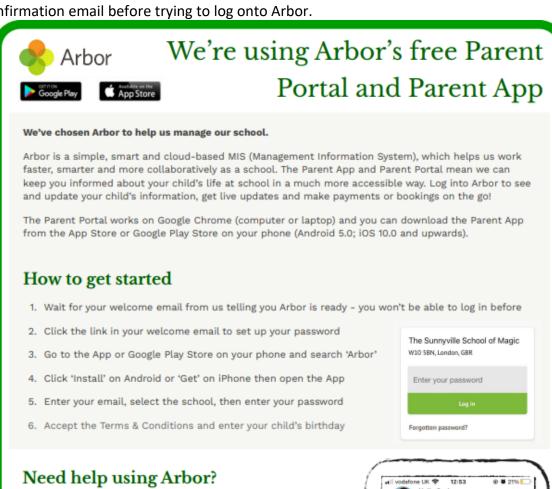
Parent Communication

As you may be aware we are currently updating our systems.

Please complete the form below, as soon as possible, to ensure that we hold the most up to date information.

https://forms.office.com/e/q4W9Dbwi9a

Please also see the poster below regarding the upcoming changes - further information will follow. Please await a confirmation email before trying to log onto Arbor.



Contact the school office if you have questions about Arbor, the App or Parent Portal. Tell us the type and model of your phone, e.g. an iPhone SE, and include screenshots or screen recordings.

To safeguard student data in line with General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR), Arbor only works directly with schools.

Some tips to try:

- Ensure your username is the email address you use for Arbor.
 Ask us to check the email address linked to your account.
- 2. Reset your password from the login page, or ask us to do this.
- If the login email was sent to you more than 96 hours ago, the password link will have expired. Ask us to send it again.
- Ask the school office to check that your email address has not been used twice - e.g. on another guardian or child's profile.
- 5. Enter the birthday of one of your children to log in.
- Only relatives who are Primary Guardians of a child can access the Arbor App. Ask us to check you can access Arbor.



What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

ENERGY DRINKS



Energy drinks are highly caffeinated beverages often consumed for a quick energy boost. However, excessive intake can load to health risks like increased heart rate and sleep disturbances. Statistics underline these products' popularity among young people – many of whom consume them regularly. Here's our expert's advice on addressing the concerns surrounding energy drink consumption in adolescents.

HIGH CAFFEINE CONTENT



INCREASED RISK OF HEART PROBLEMS

The combination of high coffeine levels and the other stimulants found in energy drinks can put extra strain in the conditivascular system. Potentially, this could lead to irregular heart shythms, polystations and increased future risk of heart attact — especially in individuals who have an underlying heart condition.

IMPACT ON MENTAL HEALTH



DISRUPTED SLEEP PATTERNS

Consuming energy drinks, especially during the afternoon or evening, can disrupt normal sleep patterns. The attinuisting effects of caffeins can make it difficult for children and young adults to fail callesp = leading to insufficient rest and its associated health risks, including imposed cognitive function, mood disturbances and

LINKS TO SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Some research has suggested a correlation between energy drink consumption and higher rates of alcohol and drug use among young adults. Young people may mix energy drinks with alcohol, mistakenny believing that the energy drinks stimulant effects will counteract the sedstive nature of alcohol. This combination, however, can be dangeress and increase the risk of accidents, injuries and alcohol peisonicia.

POTENTIAL FOR DEPENDENCY



Frequent consumption of energy drinks can lead to tolerance — meaning that individuals may need to consume increasing amounts to continue achieving the desired effects. This can potentially lead to dependency and addiction, aspecially in younger individuals who may be

Advice for Parents & Educators

LIMIT CONSUMPTION

It's wise to educate young people about the potential risks related to energy drinks, emphasising the consequences of excessive coffeine consumption. Encourage healthier afternatives like water, herbal teas or natural finit juices. You can model healthy behaviours by restricting your own consumption of energy drinks and creating a supportive environment for informed choices.

PROMOTE HEALTHIER HABITS

Schools can help with this issue by including discussions about the possible dangers of energy drink consumption into their health education cyrriculum.
Encourage children and young adults to critically evaluate the marketing messages they see and make informed choices about their health. Teachers sould also provide recourage and support for children to identify healthire alternatives.

ADVOCATE FOR REGULATION

If this is something you're particularly passionate about, you could work with local health organisations and policymakers to advocate for requiotions on energy drink sales to children and young people. Raise ownreness among parents, educators and community members about the patential health risks associated with energy drinks and support initiatives promoting healthier options in schools and communities.

SET A POSITIVE EXAMPLE

Adults can model healthy behaviours by visibly choosing alternative beverages instead of energy drinks. Maintain open communication with children and young adults about the reasons for imitting energy drink consumption – underlining the importance all balanced nutrition, adequate hydralian and sufficient sleep for everall wellbeing and academic success.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Jason O'Rourke, Headteacher of Washingborough Academy, champions food education and sustainability – and his school holds the Soil Association's prestigious Gold Catering Mark. Jason has speken about food education at Westminster briefings and overseas. A member of the All-Party Parliamentary fearuring School Soid has a food of Tartifa or seneral parliamentary. WakeUp Wednesday

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