

Friday 20th October 2023



Dear Parents/Carers,

I can't quite believe we are at the half term point already. The children have had a great week in school with DT lessons involving lots of cooking, school trips in Year 4, reading cafes and library visits.

The school discos were a huge success and it was lovely to see the children demonstrating their moves on the dance floor! We will let you know next half term how much money was raised.

This half term we have also enjoyed a wide range of sporting activities - our sports clubs are well attended and we have started our regular sporting fixtures with other local schools - please see the photos to the right.

We have parents' evenings coming up next half term for Years 1-6 (EYFS parents will meet individually with teachers through their 'focus child' meetings). This will be an opportunity for you to hear about how your child has settled into class and how they are progressing this half term. Please look out for this communication early in the first week back, outlining how to book your appointments.

Next half term we will also be reviewing how we use the school newsletter and Class dojo; Class Dojo has recently updated this half term, introducing new features which have added complications. Please be assured that we will look at streamlining this after half term.

Thank you to you all for your continued support for our school -

we really do want the very best for every child and working in partnership with families is key to making this a success.

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 <u>admin@placefarm.org.uk</u>.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

Mrs McConnell Head of School





<u>October</u>

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

Half term: 23rd October-3rd November

<u>November</u>

6 th November:	Return to school
8 th November:	Class photographs
9 th 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
16 th 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
20 th November:	Parents' Evening (3.45-7.30) – more information to follow
21 st November:	Parents' Evening (3.45-5.30)
23 rd 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
30 th 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

<u>December</u>

7 th December:	Reading Café for 4RG - 9:00-9:30 in school hall	
	1ES Haverhill library visit	
14 th December:	Reading Café for 4KM - 9:00-9:30 in school hall	
	Rainbow Haverhill library visit	
15 th December:	Carols on the playground and Christmas in Day – more information to follow	
19 th December:	EYFS and Year 1 Christmas Nativity	
20 th December:	EYFS and Year 1 Christmas Nativity	
School term ends 21 st December		

<u>January</u>

3rd January: PD Day – school closed 4th January: Spring terms starts – (Thursday)

Half term: 19th-23rd February

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



History

We have had a great start to our Histby learning at Place Farm this academic year. Children are taking pride in their learning and are already starting to make connections between what they are learning in History with what they have learnt in previous year groups as well as their learning in other subjects. Please see the images below for an overview of what each year group is learning, an image of the knowledge organiser for the current History unit they are learning about (which contains all of the core knowledge that children will learn about during the unit) and a snapshot image from a pupil's book.

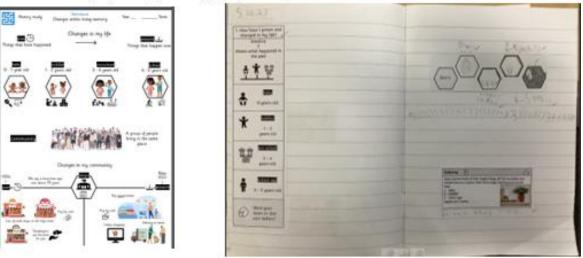


EYFS have used the book 'Each Peach Pear Plum' to compare the modern day to the past. They looked at the illustrations and had a discussion about the differences from then and now. For example; using a fire to heat the kettle whereas, now we use electricity. Using a mangle to squeeze water from wet clothes whereas now their parents either use a tumble dryer or a washing line.

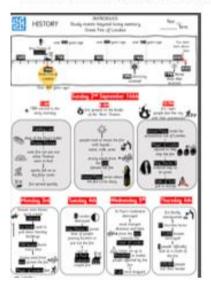
The children have also been recalling and sharing previous past

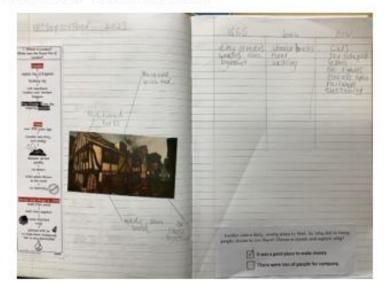
experiences as part of their Focus Child Week. They have been encouraged to answer questions about each experience.

Year 1 are studying 'Changes withing living memory'

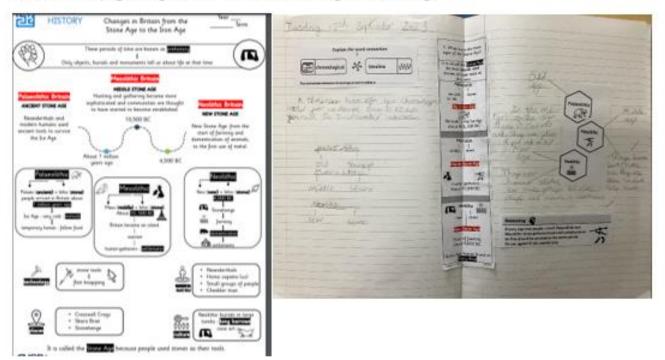


Year 2 are studying 'Events beyond living memory - Great Fire of London'

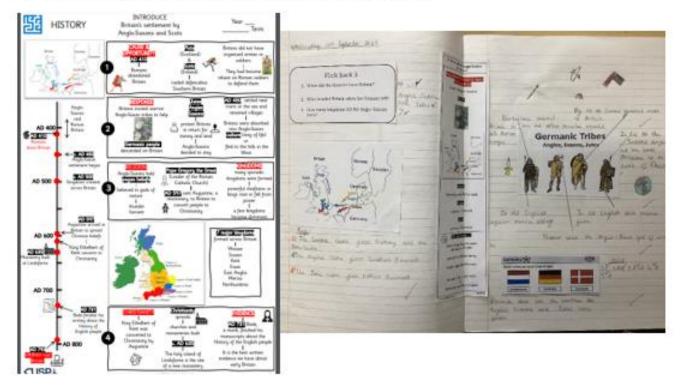




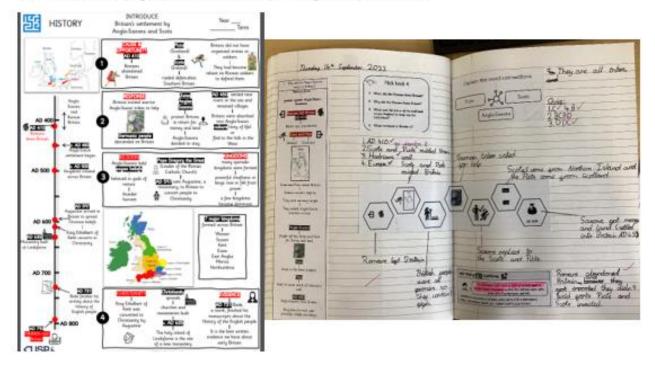
Year 3 are studying 'Changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age'



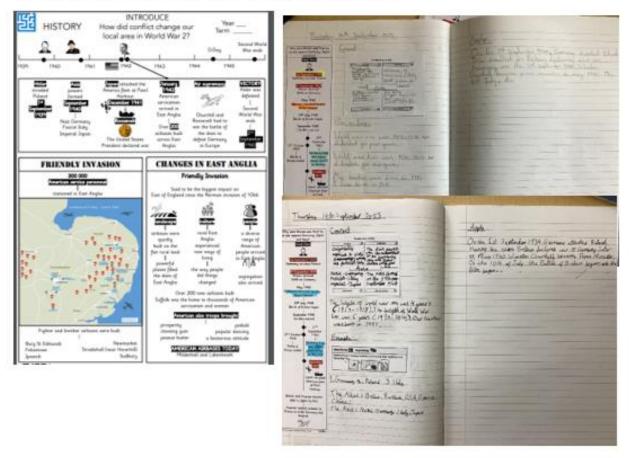
Year 4 are studying 'Britain's settlement by the Anglo-Saxons and Scots'



Year 5 are also studying 'Britain's settlement by the Anglo-Saxons and Scots'



Year 6 are studying 'How conflict changed our local area in World War 2'



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



Geography

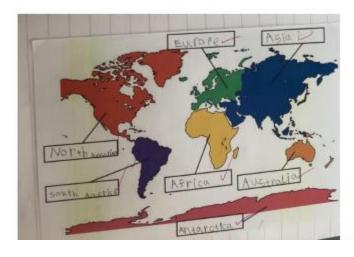


Geography continues to be an important part of the school's curriculum offer all the way from EYFS through to Year 6. Geography allows the children to not only explore their local area but the wider world and how our planet works. Here's what we have been up to so far this term...



<u>EYFS</u>

EYFS have been exploring the outdoors and how to respect their environment.



Year 1

In Year One the children have been exploring the worlds continents and oceans and where they are on a map.

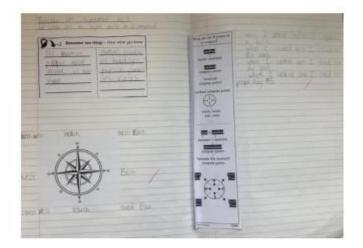
Year 2 & Rainbow

In Year Two, they have been exploring hot and cold places, comparing the climates and environments and looking at what can survive in these habitats.



Year 3

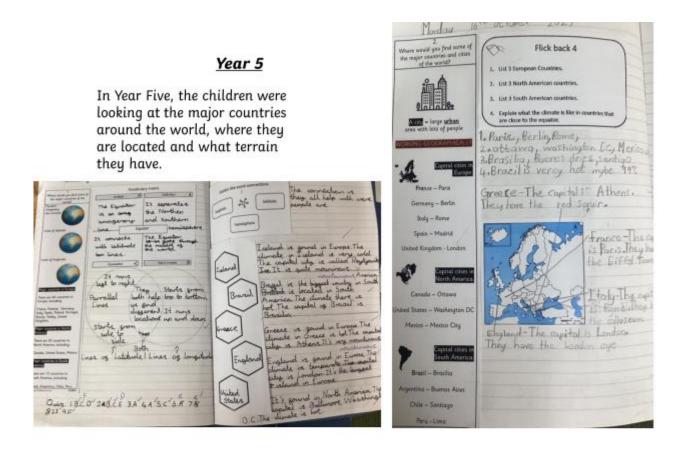
In Year Three, the children have challenged themselves with their compass reading skills, looking into cardinal points.





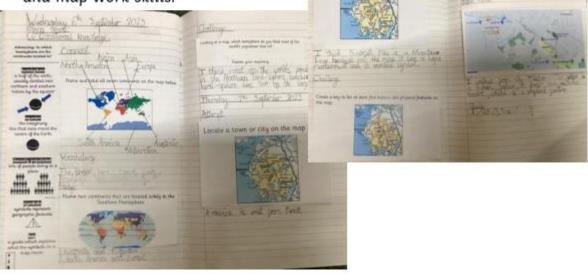
Year 4

In Year Four, they have dived deeper into the features of a river and what different rivers can look like.



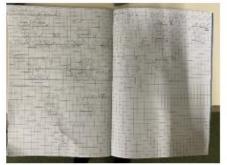
Year 6

In Year Six, they have been exploring and recapping locational knowledge and map work skills.



Locate Scafell Pike on the map below

Please see below for what Year 6 have been learning about this half term:



Year 6 Newsletter

We have had a fun filled week 🎯

In maths, we have learnt long division. We have also been continuing to work hard on our arithmetic skills and short division.

In reading, we have started our new book called Pig Heart Boy. We have been practicing retrieval and comparing texts.



In writing, we have been looking at stories with a moral, focusing on understanding adverbs, prepositions and conjunctions, explicit and implicit information and the use of precise vocabulary to create an atmosphere.

In DT we made samosas. The children practiced grating, chopping and frying. They then folded filo pastry to make the samosas into its classic triangular shape.

In computing, we have been learning all about how to use the iPad – practicing editing on Showbie, taking a screenshot and uploading a piece of work.



Tuesday 19th October 2023











Dear Parents/Carers,

After half term, children will have the opportunity to purchase a poppy keepsake, ranging from paper poppies (any donation is welcome) to specifically priced keepsakes from 50p-£1.50.

Please send your child in with loose change if you would like them to have the opportunity to purchase something.





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 <u>noresponse@vouchers.sodexoengage.com</u>, 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







October 2023 Holiday Camps – New MEGA ACTIVITY CAMPS

Samuel Ward Sports Barn in Haverhill

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are excited to bring our <u>Mega Activity Camps</u> 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 <u>Multi Activity Camps</u>.

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 30^{th} October to the 3^{rd} 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 <u>www.prestigesportsdevelopment.com</u> 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





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 欧 suffolk@v-uk.co.uk ۲ 01603 394 103 WORKING ON BEHALF OF NHS England USEFUL INFO We endeavour to come to your child's school twice. If they are at school, you will need to attend one of our community clinics for the vaccine. Details of these can can contact the team above PLEASE NOTE the flu vaccine will

Vaccination UK



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.

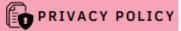


Your consent will remain in place for the entire flu season. If your child misses a first visit, you do no need to complete a second form.

USEFUL LINKS



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



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

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