

Newsletter



Friday 22nd November 2024

Dear families,

It has been another busy week at Place Farm this week: we have enjoyed some well-attended Early Years tours for prospective parents and received some wonderful feedback from those who visited; our Reading cafes and library visits are in full swing, and we are busy with preparations towards Place Farm and Coupals have got Talent, and our Christmas in a Day! Further details to follow on these events.

Thank you to everyone who contributed towards our Children in Need fundraising last week - thanks to your donations, we managed to raise £412 for this worthwhile cause!

Unity Schools Partnership are currently accepting donations towards their Happy Hamper appeal - running until 12th December. Please find enclosed further information on how families can help.

Today we enjoyed a bumper-packed Celebration Assembly, celebrating a wide range of achievements amongst our pupils; it is especially wonderful to see so many pupils taking part in outside events in the wider community, demonstrating our PROUD values in all that they do!



Thank you for your continued support of our school. If you have any concerns or queries, please contact us directly by email: admin@placefarm.org.uk, or via our school office on: 01440 702836.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!

Kind regards,

Mrs McConnell
Head of School

Upcoming dates:

November

Wed 27th Nov: EYFS Prospective parent tours, 9.00-10.00

Thur 28th Nov: 3SA library visit 9:30-10:30
2LP Reading Café 9:00-9:30

December

Tue 3rd Dec: Y2 Great Fire of London Workshop

Wed 4th Dec: EYFS Prospective parent tours, 9.00-10.00

Thur 5th Dec: 3KM library visit 9:30-10:30
6SL library visit 1:30-2:30
1ED Reading Café 9:00-9:30

Fri 6th Dec: Flu vaccinations (more information to follow)

Mon 9th Dec: Carol Concert at St Marys Church (more information to follow)

Tue 10th Dec: Y3 Stone Age Experience Day

Thur 12th Dec: 2LP library visit 9:30-10:30
2LA library visit 1:30-2:30
1ES Reading Café 9:00-9:30

Fri 13th Dec: Christmas in a day (more information to follow)

Tue 17th Dec: EYFS and Yr1 Nativity (more information to follow)

Wed 18th Dec: EYFS and Yr1 Nativity (more information to follow)

Fri 20th Dec: School term ends

January

Mon 6th Jan: **School closed PD Day**

Tues 7th Jan: First day of Spring Term – all children back in school

Thur 16th Jan: OAP Reading Café 9:00-9:30
6EJ library visit 1:30-2:30

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

Celebration Assembly



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



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

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 Rainbow.



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 2LA with 98.2%
In 2nd place we had 1ES with 98.6%
In 1st place we had 2LP with 99.3%
Whole school attendance was 95.3%



Rainbow trip to Haverhill Arts Centre

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We had a great trip to the HAC and learnt all about the **Great Fire of Haverhill**.



We also learnt about Haverhill town and the buildings that survived the fire, before looking around the HAC and learning about its founders and architectural features, like arches, oak panelling and dragons!



On the journey home we spotted human and physical features in our local area. The pigeons were a great physical feature spot!

Anti-bullying week

This week we learnt all about Anti-Bullying week. Anti-Bullying Week is a special week to encourage everyone - children, teachers and parents - to take a stand against bullying all year round. The children have explored what bullying is and is not and how they can be an upstander (a person who speaks or acts in support of an individual or cause, particularly someone who intervenes on behalf of a person being attacked or bullied). They have also decided if a scenario is classed as bullying or not.

Learn about it...

Who can remind us of a **definition of bullying?**

The Anti-Bullying Alliance defines bullying as:

- The repetitive, intentional hurting of one person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an imbalance of power.
- Bullying can be physical, verbal or psychological.
- It can happen face-to-face or online.

How would you define it?



Learn about it...

Falling out is:

- Accidental
- Occasional
- Has a balance of power
- Apologies and remorse
- Try to make amends

Bullying is:

- Deliberate
- Repeated
- Has an imbalance of power
- No apology or remorse



4RG and 5JG Library Visits

On Thursday, 4RG and 5JG visited Haverhill Library. The children all walked sensibly and modelled our PROUD values while we were there. They read and shared books with each other. At the end of the visit, they were read a story by the librarian. The children all had a wonderful time.



School Nursing Survey

Please see below some information from West Suffolk School Nursing Team. They are seeking feedback to help shape the services that they offer.

The Survey is online from Tuesday 1st October to Friday 29th November 2024. Please see the link below which will take you to the survey. Thank you for your time.

[School Nursing Service \(5 - 19 years\) User Survey](#)

If you would like to know more about the School Nursing service, then please click on the link below.

[School Nursing Service - Suffolk County Council](#)

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.

Christmas Dinner Day

Please see the menu below for the Christmas Dinner Day.

Please complete the below forms link stating whether your child would like a Christmas Dinner on Friday 13th December 2024.

<https://forms.office.com/e/PbfANujnqL>

Please complete the forms link by midday on the 20th November 2024, as the kitchen will need to know the final numbers by this date.

If your child is not entitled to Free School Meals, please do ensure that you have sufficient funds on your Arbor Account, prior to this date.

If you have any questions about this, please contact the school office.





Christmas Dinner 2024

13th December 2024

Roast Turkey
Vegan Parsnip & Sweet Potato Loaf
Roast Potatoes
Pigs In Blankets
Sage & Onion Stuffing
Brussel Sprouts
Carrots, Peas & Gravy

Christmas Krispie Cakes

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feeding the imagination

Early Years Tours



We would be delighted to welcome you to our school and take you on a tour of our Early Years setting and school! You will also have a chance to meet the EYFS teachers. We are holding tours for prospective parents with children starting school in September 2025.

These will be held on...

Wednesday 13th November 2024 at 5.00pm

Wednesday 20th November 2024 at 5:00pm

Wednesday 27th November 2024 at 9:00am

Wednesday 4th December 2024 at 9.00am

If you wish to know more about our school, please visit our school website.

www.placefarm.org.uk



**To attend and
book your spot
please contact us!**

01440 702836

admin@placefarm.org.uk

**If your child was born between
1 September 2020 and
31 August 2021,
you must apply for a full-time
Reception Year school place by
15 January 2025**



You **must** make an application even if your child already has a place in a nursery class, pre-school or family hub

To apply for a place or for more information you can visit:

www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions

Information is also available from:

- The Admissions Team on **0345 600 0981**
- Your local school

Instructions for parents/carers for Holiday, Activities and Food programme bookings.

The Winter activities for Suffolk Holiday, Activities and Food programme (HAF) will be live for booking on Eequ on the 20th of November 2024



Please register children and book activities for the Winter School holidays at: WWW.eequ.org

- Parents/carers can use the link provided to log into Eequ and register their child(ren) and book them on to the activities of their choice.
- Eligibility checks will be completed at this stage and if the child meets the criteria, they will receive an email confirming the booking, please provide information on the child's eligibility and receipt of benefit related Free - School Meals in the booking so that eligible bookings are not rejected.
- - If they are accepted an email will be sent to the email address confirming the booking. Bookings without an email confirming the eligibility and place are not confirmed. Please ensure that you receive the email to confirm bookings.
- If the booking is rejected due to not meeting the criteria or not providing required evidence, an email will go to the booking email address explaining why. This can be appealed if further information or evidence can be provided. (This will require re booking of the activity.) You can email Suffolk HAF at HAFenquiries@suffolk.gov.uk

Bookings are subject to availability and eligibility and cannot be guaranteed, we recommend booking early to avoid disappointment.

HAF eligibility is based on the child(ren) being in receipt of Benefit Related Free School Meals.

As per the Easter and Summer School Holidays, Suffolk HAF programme will no longer be issuing codes to families in receipt of benefit related Free School Meals and will be continuing to use the Eequ Booking system for parents/carers to book children onto the activities.

For more information visit: www.Suffolk.Infolink.gov.uk, Or by scanning the QR code on the poster below:



Want more for the kids to do in the Easter, summer and Christmas school holidays?

Children aged 5 to 16 who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals can access the Holiday Activities Fund (HAF) activities programme!

Access sports sessions, arts, crafts, dance and cooking classes for FREE!

Not eligible? Many providers also provide paid for spaces, so check out what is available.



Visit: www.suffolk.infolink.gov.uk to find out more - search 'Holiday Activities Fund'



HAF is funded by The Department of Education



**BRAND
NEW**



CHRISTMAS

FOUNDATION FUN CAMP

The Football & Multisport Extravaganza

BOOK NOW



The New Croft Foundation
23rd December | 9am - 3pm

Ages 5 - 13
£25 per child

www.thenewcroftfoundation.com



HAPPY HAMPER DONATIONS

OPEN FOR DONATIONS FROM
11TH NOVEMBER - 12TH DECEMBER
AT UNITY SCHOOLS
AND HOMEFIELD ROAD OFFICE



What do we need?

- ★ UNOPENED
- ★ IN DATE
- ★ NO NEED FOR REFRIGERATION

- ★ CAKES
- ★ CRACKERS
- ★ TABLEWARE
- ★ SELECTION BOXES
- ★ MINCE PIES
- ★ NIBBLES
- ★ CRISPS
- ★ LONG LIFE DRINKS (NO ALCOHOL)





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December 2024 Timetable

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm unless otherwise stated

Saturday 30th Nov	Haverhill High Street	10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Monday 2nd	Recreation Road, Hamlet Road Estates	
Tuesday 3rd	Chimswell Car Parks, Park Road, Hawthorn Crescent	
Wednesday 4th	Chivers Rd & Cleves Road	
Thursday 5th	Clements, Parkway Estate	
Friday 6th	Kedington Community Centre	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Monday 9th	Cambridge Way, Eastern Avenue, Castle Lane, Downs Crescent	
Tuesday 10th	Hanchett Village	
Wednesday 11th	Arboretum, Meadowlands, Chapelwent Road	
Thursday 12th	Dovehouse Road, Chapple Drive	
Monday 16th	James Dunn Way, Howe Road, Forest Glade, Arrendene Road	
Tuesday 17th	New Croft (Chalkstone Way), Green Road, Shetland Road & Roman Way	
Wednesday 18th	Millfields Way, Strasbourg Square	
Thursday 19th	Boyton Hall, Persimmon Estate, Redrow Estate	
Saturday 21st	Haverhill High Street	10 :00 am - 3:00 pm



Haverhill Santa is raising money for REACH Community Projects & Joshua Tarrant Trust. Please make a donation when you see the Sleigh.

Merry Christmas



Please Note: The Haverhill Santa is organised by the Haverhill Show Committee (License Holders) and the Disco Kitchen and manned by volunteers. Licence restrictions, volunteer numbers, ease of access and weather conditions may mean all streets or meeting points cannot be visited within the hours approved by the Local Authority. To avoid disappointment, visit us on the High Street or find us en-route.



CHILDRENS

STAY & PLAY



Where?

Chalkstone Community
Centre, Haverhill

When?

Mondays
10am - 11am

£7
per
session

What We Offer?

- ✓ Castle Blocks
- ✓ Soft Step & Slide
- ✓ Ball pit
- ✓ Animal Hoppers
- ✓ Tents & Tunnels
- ✓ Baby Sensory Area



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