Newsletter



Friday 5th July 2024

Dear parents and carers,

It was fantastic to welcome parents to school today to see the music performance of those children who have been involved in music clubs this term. The children (and staff) worked incredibly hard - they should be incredibly proud!



We continue with lots of events next week: On Tuesday, 9th July we have our Open Classroom event between 3.30 and 5pm. Please do come along if you can, and see the work your child has produced this year - it's a great opportunity to find out more about what they have been learning and to celebrate their hard work!



We also have our school discos on Thursday - tickets can be purchased on ParentPay until 10am on the 11th July. On the note of ParentPay, please check your emails regarding our change over to Arbor (from ParentPay) as this is imminent: as of Friday 5th July school dinner payments will not longer be processed through ParentPay. We have emailed communication about logging onto Arbor moving forward. Please do contact our office team if you have any queries.



Wishing you a wonderful weekend - fingers crossed for sunshine!

Kind regards,

Mrs McConnell Head of School

Upcoming dates:

Tue 9th July: Open classroom for parents/carers (3:30 – 5:00pm)

Children's University Graduation (for eligible pupils in Year 5) at Samuel Ward (5:30pm)

Thur 11th July: Summer Disco – see information below

Fri 12th July: Y6 Graduation (2:00pm)

Reports sent to parents

Mon 15th July: Transition week for all year groups (children spending time in their new classes)

Tues 16th July: No school crossing patrol all day

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

Fri 19th July: Last day of term

Events this week

Y6 Enterprise Project

A HUGE thank you to everyone who came along to support the Year 6s with their Enterprise Project! It was brilliant to see so many of you there. In total we raised £653.00! Which is an incredible amount to be raised for the school. The money will now be spent on a legacy present that the children of Year 6 want to leave for the rest of the school to enjoy!











Y6 Gulliver's Land Trip





Year 6 had the best time at Gullivers World! They enjoyed lots of the rides and didn't let the rain spoil their fun!

























4KM Reading Café

On Thursday, we held our Reading Café for 4KM. The weather was against us for our last event of the year, so we were back in the hall. The children loved sharing books with their families, we even had some younger siblings joining us!

Thank you to everyone who has supported our Reading Cafes and Booknics this year. We look forward to seeing lots more of you in the new school year ©



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

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.



Date: Wednesday 10th July 2024

Location: School playground

When: at the end of the day

All cakes will be 50p

Any cake donations will be gratefully received. Please give them to the class teacher on the morning of the 10th July.

Wildlife Club

The Wildlife Club is now up and running on a Thursday after school, thanks to Mr Beeton. We have started to clear and clean the courtyard area in school for this with a new bench and parasol and are planning to extend the garden to create a bee and butterfly habitat. The children have enjoyed helping with the lavender and wild seed planting, joined in 'shaking a tree' to discover what lives in that habitat, as well as a bug and fungus hunt. EYFS and 2SA, with the club, have also grown and released 10 Painted Ladies to add to the butterfly population!









Summer Disco Thursday 11th July '24

<u>EYFS</u> disco will run during the school day from 2:30pm until 3:00pm. EYFS pupils can wear non-uniform for this day. Tickets cost £1 and will include a snack.

Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 disco will run from 3:40pm-4:45pm. Pupils can bring party clothes to school to change into before the disco. Tickets will cost £3.00 and will include a snack. Please collect your child from the playground at 4:45pm. They will exit from their usual classrooms.

Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 disco will run from 5:00pm- 6:15pm. Tickets cost £3.00 and will include a snack. Pupils will enter the disco via the front gate near the office and exit from their classrooms onto the playground on Crowland Road. Pupils in Year 5 and Year 6 who can walk home alone will need to let the class teacher know in advance that they have permission.

Children can also bring up to 63 with them to purchase small items. Pupils will need to look after any change during the disco so please try to give them the correct amount of money.

Glow sticks= 50p each

bubbles = £1 each

Payment for the disco can be made on Parentpay



Bookings for Breakfast and Afterschool Club will continue to be made via the Schoolcomms App until Summer 2025 Breakfast and Afterschool Club Bookings





Place Farm Primary Academy

Register your child for FREE at:

https://readaloudchallenge.co.uk/join/SVHO-6YRO-OW2Y



Free for children over the 3 months of summer – June until August



Safe and easy for your child to use without supervision



Independent Read-Aloud App with instant feedback



Helps **maintain and improve** reading skills – and helps beat the 'summer slump'



Uses **games, competition, leaderboards** and **prizes** as a proven method to **engage children in a fun competitive way**



Encourages a love for reading, fires up their imagination and improves their reading age



Winning schools get 4 places to a fully funded day trip to London for an awards ceremony hosted by **Clare Balding CBE** at Amazon HQ



Reading is fuel for our imaginations and reading well out loud is all about confidence so let's get going.

Clare Balding CBE Fonetti Brand Ambassador



Register Now





Building on the success of last year's inaugural National Read-Aloud Challenge, we are thrilled to announce our further commitment to combat summer reading regression by making this an annual event. The positive feedback from children, parents and teachers, along with the impact data, shows us that when a child is intrinsically motivated to read during a period not typically associated with reading improvement, something truly effective is at play.

Kim Antoniou Founder/CEO, Auris Tech/Fonetti



Children choose from a library of engaging books and simply read them aloud. Progress and stars achieved are shown to inform and encourage.



When read correctly, the words turn green. If skipped or misread, they turn grey. For children, an audible clue can be accessed by simply double-tapping the word.



Children can effortlessly monitor their progress on a daily, weekly, monthly or overall basis! Parents and carers are kept informed with weekly progress updates.

Introducing the **award-winning** Read-Aloud App for children, the perfect tool to improve literacy, fluency and language skills.

Fonetti is proven to boost fluency, reading, and English language skills.

74%

Improvement in 1 or more reading metric

16%

Average accuracy improvement

25

Additional correct words per minute

Measured from a dataset of over 200,000 reading sessions on Fonetti in 2023.

Drum Kit Lessons with Martin Everett

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I am pleased to be able to offer extra curricular drum kit lessons to all year groups at Place Farm. Lessons are £18 per 30 minute lesson and are booked on a termly basis. Lessons will be given on an electronic drum kit and will be held during the school day. A 20 minute trial lesson can be arranged for your child, to help decide if this is something that they would enjoy. To register your interest please complete the form below and further information will follow:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=flzQy2QFTEapyFTpF1Os7pTle-9KdYVOsDBCBoniyE9UNVM0SVIKT0pJTUZFOFJXMFJZVINWMVE2Qy4u

Kind regards, Mr Everett

Arbor Reminder

As you should now be aware we have now rolled out the release of Arbor. All parents/carers should have received an email detailing your specific login details. Please do ensure that you are signed up to the Portal. If you do experience any difficulties with your login, please contact the office on 01440 702836 or at admin@placefarm.org.uk

<u>Caterlink Survey - regarding school lunches</u>

This term, Caterlink are conducting a parent/guardian survey on the meal provision that they provide. The survey closes on 31st of July. Please use the link below or the QR code to take part in the survey. Thank you.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CN9XYWJ



Clubs outside of school





Please use the link below to register a free two-week trial:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdthetAvVNrjkKDAsvzj4wbjnwxLcPcRZn eVXkNeqjqcH-p1w/viewform

Summer Holiday Activities

Prestige Sports

Prestige Sports will be running their Mega Sports & Activity & Football Camps at Samuel Ward Sports Dome, Haverhill this summer! They will be on Monday 22nd July to Friday 30th August. We are open 9am-3.30pm with early drop off from 8.15am and late pick up until 5.30pm as optional extras. You can book online using the link below:

Mega Sports & Activity Camps - https://prestige-sports-camps.classforkids.io/camp/148
Football Camps - https://prestige-sports-camps.classforkids.io/camp/148



SUMMER MEGA ACTIVITY CAMPS

SUFFOLK VENUES

venues	DATES	Times	PRICING
SAMUEL WARD SPORTS DOME, HAVERHILL MEGA ACTIVITY CAMP	22ND JULY - 26TH JULY 29TH JULY - 2ND AUG 5TH AUG - 9TH AUG 12TH AUG - 16TH AUG 19TH AUG - 23RD AUG 27TH AUG - 30TH AUG	EARLY DROP 8:15AM 9:00AM - 3:30PM LATE PICK UP - 5:30PM	£2.50 £22.50 £7.00
SAMUEL WARD SPORTS DOME, HAVERHILL FOOTBALL CAMP	22ND JULY - 23RD JULY 29TH JULY - 30TH JUL 5TH AUG - 6TH AUG 12TH AUG - 13TH AUG 19TH AUG - 20TH AUG 27TH AUG	EARLY DROP 8:15AM 9:00AM - 3:30PM LATE PICK UP - 5:30PM	£2.50 £22.50 £7.00
ELLESMERE CENTRE, STETCHWORTH MEGA ACTIVITY CAMP	22ND JULY - 26TH JULY 29TH JULY - 2ND AUG 5TH AUG - 9TH AUG 12TH AUG - 16TH AUG 19TH AUG - 23RD AUG 27TH AUG - 30TH AUG	9:00AM - 3:30PM EARLY DROP OFF - 8:15AM LATE PICK UP - 5:30PM	£2.50 £22.50 £7.00
ICKWORTH PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL MEGA ACTIVITY CAMP	22ND JULY- 25TH JULY	EARLY DROP OFF - 8:15AM 9:00AM - 3:30PM	£2.50 £22.50



Abbeycroft Leisure

Please find attached a poster for Abbeycroft's summer holidays 'Holiday Activity and Food (HAF)' offer – Free Swim and Lunch.

This is for those eligible for free school meals or experiencing other hardships (eligibility is decided by Suffolk County Council).

Haverhill Leisure Centre's sessions will be running every Tuesday from 23rd July – Tuesday 27th August and can be booked through the Eequ website.

Any enquiries directly to us can email HAF@acleisure.com



Premier Holiday Camps

https://eequ.org/experience/8895 - Based at Clements Primary Academy in Haverhill.



PREMIER HOLIDAY CAMPS





INSPIRING

ACTIVITY







Sports available......
Basketball, Football, Dodgeball,
Rounders, Cricket, Athletics,
Gymnastics, Lacrosse, Soft Archery
and many more



Come & join the fun.
A variety of sports on offer and something for everyone to enjoy.
Children are encouraged to try new skills everyday and develop social skills.