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YOUR WEEKLY "HELLO" FROM MISS O

To our wonderful Little Paxton families,

It was fantastic to gather together on Wednesday evening to share, and celebrate, our successes as a school alongside setting some vision about where we are going next as a school. A massive thank you to all those who came along and to the staff team for staying and supporting the event. I know that not everyone was able to make it so I would like to offer another opportunity to come in and hear the presentation, it was honestly just over 15 minutes. This will be on **Wednesday 15th November at 9.00am** in the school hall.

Today we say goodbye to Miss Wong and Miss Dyson, from the Faculty of Education at Cambridge, who have been on placement with us in Year 2. We have been so impressed with both of them and the way they have become part of the Year 2 team. They will be greatly missed by the children and staff. We would like to thank them both for their dedication to our school and wish them every success in the future.

This week in school:

Our year 2 children had a brilliant time at the Leicester Space Centre on Tuesday. The Year 2 team were so impressed with the children's knowledge linked to their big question and their outstanding behaviour.

To add to our sporting success, our Pantathlon team were amazing at the festival on Tuesday morning. They threw themselves into every event; supported each other brilliantly and came back literally bouncing. Mr Pool will tell you more later in the press but I wanted to say how proud we are of each of them!

We have, once again, had some really positive visits from the Local Authority and our Governors this week. I am very proud showing them round; meeting our amazing children and sharing our improvement journey with them.

Our first iRock session took place on Thursday, we have 4 Little Paxton bands. After the sessions, we got such a lovely email from Julian, who is the band coach, which I wanted to share with you and celebrate:

The children seemed to really enjoy their first session today. They were all really well behaved and very enthusiastic. I'm looking forward to next weeks sessions.

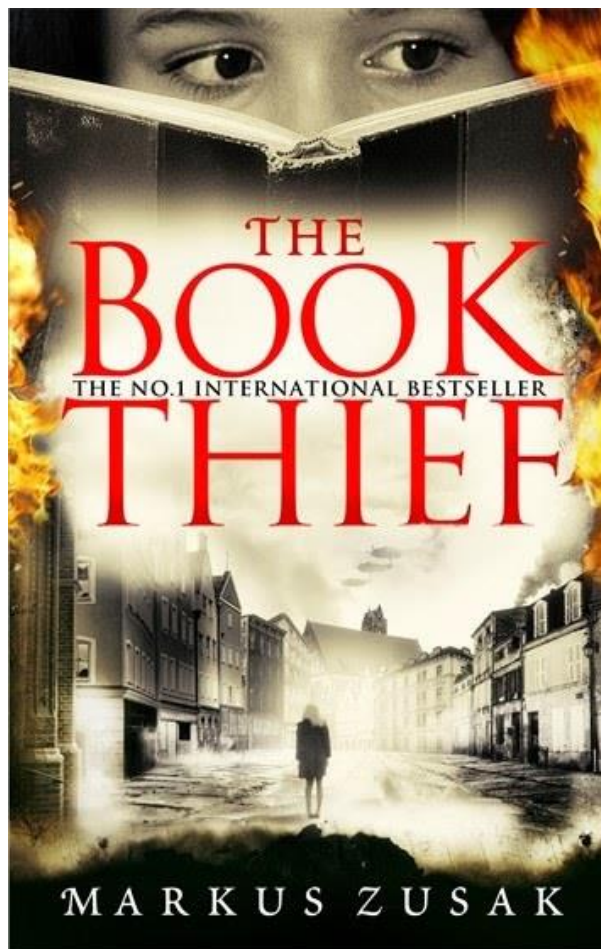
Wishing you a wonderful weekend!

Miss Owen

SOMETHING SMALL ABOUT US ALL

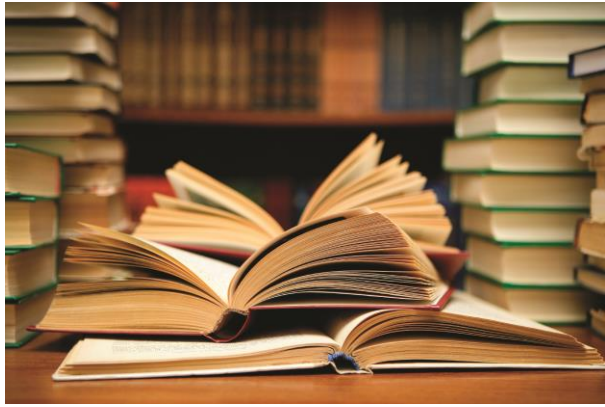
Mr Simkin

I love reading and theatre! I will read any chance I get. My favourite book for adults is "The Book Thief". Any child who's ever been a Wren would tell you that my favourite children's book is "Matilda"! My favourite parts of the day (perhaps unsurprisingly, as English lead!) are our reading and writing lessons and story time. This is my fourth year of teaching now, but working with such fantastic children & colleagues means every day feels like something new.



Miss Peate

I like browsing second-hand bookshops, seeing ballet at the theatre and visiting Devon.



Messages from Team Paxton



Mr Saxby

It has been a brilliant first two weeks of the new half term and we have so much to share already.

We had a lovely whole school assembly on Monday about Remembrance Day and why it is important to have those who have fought for our freedoms at the forefront of our minds this week. Thank you to the fantastic Year 6's who gave up their break or lunch time to assist in selling remembrance items to the rest of the school. We also came together as a school today to observe a two-minute silence and listen to the 'Last Post' – well done to the whole of the school for being so respectful.

It was lovely to hear the KS2 children in singing assembly on Thursday, they are already practising Christmas songs!

Our Sparrow and Lark Class had a special visitor this week as a parent came in to speak about Diwali and how they celebrate it in the Hindu faith. It is lovely to have these opportunities for our children to learn more about different religious celebrations.

We are really looking forward to celebrating children in need together next Friday with our theme of 'Spot-tacular' and it is also our Anti-Bullying week next week as well!

Tag Rugby

A few photos from a recent tag rugby match





Workers of the week



This week for the first time our new foundation children joined assembly so we can now add them to our list.

Congratulations this week to

Splendid Sparrow - HARRISON - he has tried really hard with his phonics learning and letter formation this week! He also enjoyed retelling our story The Three Little Pigs. Well Done!

Lovely Lark - ISAAC - He has tried really hard with all of his learning and has been really responsible and helpful with the adults.

Super Starling - HERMIONE - She has made so much progress in both her reading and English. She can be quiet but we know how quietly confident she really is! Keep being fabulous.

Wonderful Woodpecker - JACOB - He has really impressed us with his English work this week and made excellent choices of working partners who he knows he will work well with.

Remarkable Raven - EVALYN She has shown us what an amazing, strong, kind, brave and caring person she is! She also really impressed us on our school trip to The National Space Centre!

Perfect Pigeon - ETTA because she has been trying so hard with her English this week and was an excellent role model on our trip to the space centre.

Marvelous Merlin - JACK - because he has worked so hard in English - especially his informal letter. You were so proud of it, well done!

Knowledgeable Nightingale - JONAH - This is for his amazing hard work since we have come back from half term.

Clever Kite - ISAAC whose dedication to mastering Times Tables Rock Stars has been outstanding. He has a great attitude to his learning with consistent performance across all his tasks.

Ready Wren - PENNY - because she is AWESOME. Every day, she challenges herself to show us her very best self and her very best work. She's also our reigning champion on TTRS, as a result of her fantastic dedication.

Fantastic Fisher - FRANKIE because of her superbly skillful writing in English and amazing Geography work about life in the rainforest. Frankie's work is always a treat to read!

Dedicated Dove - LOTTIE - She has got a fantastic work ethic and her writing about a rainforest, in English, has been excellent.

Heroic Hawk - AMY - has demonstrated yet again this week that she is a credit to the school and Hawk Class.

Rocking Robin - AMAYA - she has worked hard this week and come into class each day smiling and ready to work. Well Done.

LEST WE FORGET



The children were all impeccably behaved as they came out onto the playground and formed a semicircle in year groups and began 2 minutes silence after the last post was played. Well done everyone.

Remember next Friday is Children in Need Day



Internet Safety

Skips Safety Net Keeping children safe online

Parent Guides to Online Safety

THINK before you send!

You think you're sharing a funny picture with a friend...

- ...but your Mum could see it
- ...but your Gran could see it
- ...but your neighbour could see it
- ...but a stranger could see it
- ...but a burglar could see it
- ...but a cyberbully could see it
- ...but a policeman could see it
- ...but your classmates could see it
- ...but your teacher could see it
- Anyone in the world could see your butt!

scan the QR code with your phone's camera for Parent Guides on how to help keep your children safe online

If you share it, you are involved
If you have, or forward an indecent image of someone under 18, it is a criminal offence. It can affect your future.

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Reminder - Flu Sniff



If you have not yet booked - please follow the link to book your child on.

<https://eastanglia.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/cambridgeshire>

The nursing team will be attending school on 5th December. **They CANNOT administer the sniff to your child without the online consent.**

This is not something we are co-ordinating from the office but if you have any trouble with the actual form we can help.

Please speak to the school office if you have any issues

Reminder LPSA AGM





LPSA AGM

Monday 13th November
6-7pm in the
School Hall

Does your child like using laptops in class?
Did your child enjoy the school disco last summer?
Do you like getting Mother's and Father's Day gifts?

These and more were all provided by LPSA
volunteers.

**Please consider joining the LPSA.
The LPSA must have members taking
on key roles, so they can continue
doing its great fundraising.**

LPSA Member -

a member attends committee meetings, helps
with events and votes on how the money
fundraised supports the children in school.

Chair -

the chair is the glue that
holds the LPSA together.

(this can be a joint role
with a second person
taking on Vice Chair)

Secretary -

the secretary keeps
everyone informed.

Treasurer -

the treasurer keeps
records of the finances.

(this can be a joint role
with 2 people taking on
the responsibility)

Our School Meals this week









Individual appointments with Education Inclusion Adviser Charlotte Dean



Final date for the year -

14th December 2023

To make an appointment, please email charlotte.dean@cambridgeshire.gov.uk - she will contact you to confirm a time.

Education Inclusion Family Advisors offer you an opportunity to ask for information, advice and support on any issue affecting your family life in a relaxed environment. These areas include:

- Challenging behaviour Routines
- Supporting emotions and wellbeing
- School transitions

- Parenting strategies
- Building resilience and confidence
- Any other family challenges you might be facing

Reminder of dates coming up



Monday 13th November - Weights and Measures in school for Foundation and Year 6 children

Monday 13th November - LPSA AGM - 6.00pm - 7.00pm

Friday 17th November - Children in Need - **Spotacular** non uniform day

Burwell residential for Year 4 - Monday 20th - Wednesday 22nd November

Tuesday 5th December - Flu Sniff for all years - **Have you opted in?**

Monday 11th December - KS2 Christmas Concert - St James' Church - evening - times to be confirmed

Tuesday 12th December - Key Stage 1 Christmas Production - 1.30pm

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Wednesday 13th December - Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas Dinner Day

Wednesday 13th December - Christmas Fayre - 3.15pm - 6.00pm - **Whole School Christmas singalong** - 5.00pm -6.00pm

Thursday 14th December - KS1 Christmas Production - 9.30am

Friday 15th December - Early Years Nativity Tea Party for parents - 2pm

LAST DAY OF TERM - Wednesday 20th December

(There may be additions to these dates and possible changes)

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Reminder - Starting School



We know that parents of pre-school aged children are starting to think about joining us next year!

We will be opening our doors to warmly invite them to see our amazing school and to find out a little more about what we have to offer.

Our sessions will be from 9.45am to 10.15am - this is so that you can see the children learning and you can see how well our current foundation have settled in so quickly.

Wednesday 29th November

Wednesday 25th January 2024

Please email office@littlepaxton.cambs.sch.uk to book a slot.

OUT OF SCHOOL

Christmas arrangements for Treetops



Christmas Dance Camp



Irish Dance Classes



IRISH DANCE CLASS IN ST NEOTS
For boys and girls 3yrs+

TUESDAY'S 4:30-5:30PM
The Eatons Community Centre
18 The Maltings, Eaton Socon
Saint Neots, PE19 8ES

REGISTER FOR YOUR FIRST CLASS FREE
Contact Molly on 07927 73 1112

Chitty Chitty Bang Bang

Oliver M, one of our Merlins will be performing in this VAMPS production, a great family trip out.



IAN FLEMING'S
CHITTY CHITTY BANG BANG

MUSIC AND LYRICS BY RICHARD M. SHERMAN AND ROBERT B. SHERMAN
 MUSIC BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH SONY/ATV PUBLISHING. ADAPTED FOR THE STAGE BY JEREMY SAMS.
 BASED ON THE MGM MOTION PICTURE. LICENSED SCRIPT ADAPTED BY RAY ROGERICK.

9TH - 12TH NOVEMBER
PRIORY CENTRE, ST NEOTS
BOX OFFICE THEVAMPS.ORG // 01480 388922

THURSDAY & FRIDAY 7:30PM SATURDAY 11AM, 3:00PM & 7:30PM SUNDAY 3:30PM
 TICKETS £16 ADULT // £14 CONCESSION // £50 FAMILY
 TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE, PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE



VAMPS

OF ST NEOTS

BEACON

Be inspired by amateur theatre

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This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International. All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI
www.mtishows.co.uk

Paxton Fayre

Look out for our very own Mrs Bishop who will be having a stall full of amazing handmade sewn Christmas decorations, presents and stockingfillers.



Team Paxton

Wishing you an amazing half term!

