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YOUR WEEKLY "HELLO" FROM MISS O



Hello and happy Friday to you all!

Another hot, busy and fun week at Little Paxton Primary School. The children have all been working really hard in their own classes and during Transition Morning as they visited their new classes. I am really proud of the children as transition is a difficult time for all and they have handled it extremely well. Allocating classes takes a lot of thought and organisation and I would like to thank the teaching team for their work in making this happen. Please do take the opportunity to book an appointment with your child's new teacher on the 16th July through the office or pop into the 'Drop In' on Wednesday 9th July after school (no appointment necessary). We also have a lot of new children joining our school in September which is wonderful news. The children and families were impressed by the warm welcome they received. I wanted to give a special shout out to Tommie in Year 3 who was mentioned by one of the new boys by name as he left and said how friendly and kind Tommie was to him, well done Tommie! Miss Peate took a potential new family on a tour of our school on Thursday morning and as they signed out they said: 'Amazing school, amazing staff, amazing children, I wish I was starting school myself!' Our Year 6 children were very excited to share with us their experience at Longsands and Ernulf as they had their 2 transition days as well this week. It was lovely to hear them talk so positively about their next adventure.

Canon Reed visited us again on Monday morning to see the Year 1 and Year 2 children. We are so thankful to have worked alongside Canon Annette, I know she will be greatly missed after her 19 years at St James' Church. I will always remember being asked to dress up as a Christmas pudding or wear a turkey hat at our carol concerts or being asked to get into a giant cardboard box as part of her harvest talks every year to do with Jimmy's Night Shelter. The school and our

community will miss Annette's enthusiasm, guitar playing and love for our village very much. She wrote a lovely message on social media which I thought you would all like to read:

A huge thank you to all the staff and children at Little Paxton Primary School for their surprise thank yous this morning (Friday 20th) when I was invited to arrive at school at 9am. I had no idea that each class had prepared a special song or drawn some pictures of Little Paxton Church for me to keep and enjoy. I managed to miss one class by mistake so will go back on Monday for one more visit. Not least, we have had some wonderful Harvest Festival Celebrations in the church over the years and Christmas Concerts. Here I am with a board of just some of the pictures the children drew. Thank you so much!



We said another goodbye this week to Miss Spencer. Miss Spencer has been working with us this year as part of the Year 3 teaching team as she completed her SCITT (School Centered Initial Teacher Training) with us at Little Paxton. We are proud to be able to train and release the next generation of teachers for our schools, this is something we are incredibly passionate about. Miss Spencer is a wonderful teacher and demonstrated a real dedication to the teaching profession; care for the children in her class; excellence in her planning and was a lovely person as well. She always looked for opportunities to go above and beyond. We will miss her very

much as she really was part of our staff team. We are delighted that she has secured a teaching position for September and know that school, and their children, are very fortunate to have her teaching them. Congratulations Miss Spencer on completing your course with flying colours and getting a job, we wish you every success in the future! Enjoy your next adventure!

Our Year 1 / 2 children have been very busy this week with a Geography trip around the village on Tuesday and a visit to the library on Thursday morning. These experiences are so memorable and important in bringing the curriculum to life. I am so grateful to the staff for making these happen and to the school team for lending adults so that these off site experiences are possible. It's also that time of year when the school is full of songs from the year 6 production. From what I have heard and seen so far, it's going to be a good one. All children will have the chance to watch the production during the school day as both casts need a dress rehearsal (we will ensure that the siblings of the cast performing watch the right one).

In a last-minute substitution, I was asked to attend the Year 5/6 Girl's Cricket Competition with our school team on Tuesday afternoon. I had a brilliant afternoon and was so incredibly proud of all the girls who represented our school so brilliantly! Not only were they excellent players but also their behaviour and attitude was outstanding. They all supported each other brilliantly and took turns to be the subs. Lottie from Year 6 was even scouted by the Chance to Shine Foundation with her impressive skills. Every match was so exciting and the girls won their first 2 matches scoring over 100 runs. One of the spectators even turned off the England Cricket game to watch the girls play as the matches were so exciting! The girls were placed third in the tournament, coming down to wickets taken. A massive well done to Lottie, Shannon, Elise, Amelia, Samar, Paige, Poppy, Hannah, Phoebe and Harmony. I think we should aim for a victory next year, it was such a pleasure to take you and to cheer you on. What a credit to the school you all are! In other sporting news we had a coach from Hunts FA come to school on Tuesday afternoon to run a session for some of our Year 5 girls. The afternoon was a great success and all the girls were a credit to the school.

Let's have a drumroll for our Praise Point Champions this week:

LOWER SCHOOL: Megan W (Megan is also our whole school champion this week - woo hoo)

UPPER SCHOOL: Shannon L

I am very much looking forward to my next Praise Point Celebration next Friday for those children who have reached their 50 point reward over the last month!

We have a packed training day for the Teaching Team on Monday so remember that we are closed to our children on **Monday 30th June.** Have a wonderful extended weekend, I look forward to seeing you on **TUESDAY** morning at 8.40am when the gates open!





Message from Year 1/2 Team

On Thursday we took the year 1 and 2 children to visit the library. We walked all the way to St Neots and the children impressed us so much with how they coped with the distance and the heat! When we got there, the librarians explained about how the library works and the different types of books on offer. They also read the children a story which we all enjoyed. Finally the children were able to choose 1 or 2 books to bring home if they had a library card and have a go at using the check out system on the computers. We were incredibly proud of how the children

listened and behaved while we were there. They were a real credit to the school and themselves!

We have also had some fantastic help from the year 10 Longsands work experience students this week. They have been so helpful, showing initiative and supporting the children in so many different ways. They were especially helpful on the library trip!





LP FEST Tuesday 8th July 3.30pm to 5.30pm

A huge thank you for all the magnificent donations we have received. Raffle tickets are still on sale.

We have some amazing prizes and we will have a list of all of those next week.

A few extra pairs of hands would be very useful during the afternoon of the 8th July to help set up, even an hour or so would be very welcome, it won't mean you can't enjoy the event with your children. Please speak to the office team.

As well as the bouncy slide, there will be a tin can alley, bottle tombola, mini animals pick and mix, general tombola, face glitter, soak the teacher stocks, football shoot out and human fruit machine, as well as the BBQ and other refreshments.

Let's hope the sun continues to shine!!







Housekeeping

Parents Evening - Current teacher (If required) Bookings open at 6.00pm tonight

We have two mini parents evenings coming up on the 15th and 16th July. If you wish catch up with your child's **current** teacher on the 15th July from 3.40pm to 5.30pm, bookings will be open on the arbor app from 27th June at 6.00pm.

If you would like to meet with your child's teacher **for next year**, please book an appointment via the school office.

Parent Information Sessions - Responding to Behaviour



SEN Lego Club

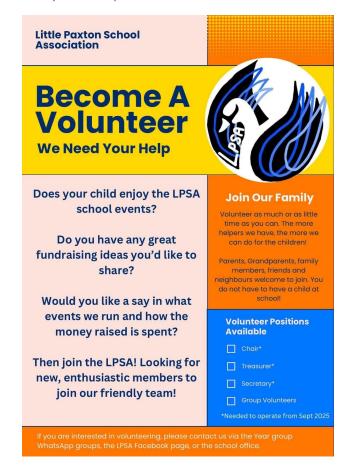


Family First Magazine

https://familyfirst.co.uk/issue3-25

This free magazine for parents might be of interest to you, take a look.

LPSA Shout Out - can you help?



Workers of the Week

This week our workers of the week are all CARING

Marvelous Merlin - WILLOW - She is kind and caring to other members of the class. I noticed that this week she asked if someone wanted to be in front of her in the line and went out of her to find a pen for someone to use. Well done Willow, keep being kind!

Lovely Lark - **BELLA**, you are an amazing, caring friend and you play and share well with everybody. You ensure that everyone has a part in your games and play and you use kind words to make people feel better.

Wonderful Woodpecker - **JOHN** has shown fantastic effort this week, taking great pride in his work and presenting it beautifully. He's also made thoughtful choices and impressed us with his responsible attitude

Remarkable Raven - **EDWARD** - He is always so caring and supportive to all the children in every class. He is kind and helpful to those that are struggling! Well done Edward and thank you for being you!

Perfect Pigeon - AVA - She is a very caring friend, especially if they are sad and she also takes care with her work. You are a star Ava

Knowledgeable Nightingale - ELIN - because she is an incredibly caring friend to everyone in the class. We are very lucky to have you in Nightingales- keep up the great work!

Outstanding Owl - FREDDIE - for being compassionate. He is kind to his friends, and his whole class team. He listens to others and is also compassionate to his teacher in the way he listens and respects our classroom.

Clever Kite - LOLA is our clever Kite this week because she consistently demonstrates kindness and empathy, always offering support and encouragement to her class friends.

Ready Wren - there are two this week as it was too close to call!

JESSICA is a very caring member of Wren class! In particular, she helps out her table partner whenever she doesn't have her glasses, reading out questions to help her continue learning.

ARIELLA is caring through her fantastic partner feedback in writing lessons, and her brilliant leadership & support of her group in dance lessons.

Fantastic Fisher - PAIGE - because she is a caring friend who always looks out for those around her. She is a good example of what it means to be kind.

Dedicated Dove - LOTTIE - for showing exceptional kindness and care at the recent cricket tournament. She supported the Year 5 children brilliantly, making sure they knew what to do and encouraging them every step of the way—well done, Lottie!

Jubilant Jackdaw - SHANNON - for her caring nature. She showed this especially when she represented the school at cricket. Not only was she supporting and cheering on her teammates but also the opponents (who just so happened to be her old school!)

IMPORTANT! Reminder of dates coming up



June

Monday 30th - Staff Training Day - SCHOOL CLOSED

July

Tuesday 1st - Year 1-2- Hertfordshire Zoo (formerly known as Paradise Wildlife Park)

Tuesday 8th - Grand Raffle, Fantastic stalls 3.30pm to 5.30pm on the school field

Wednesday 9th - Parent Drop In - All Years - 3.20pm-5.00pm

Thursday 10th - Teddy Bears Picnic for new September foundation starters 2.00pm - 3.00pm

Monday 14th - Reports delivered to parents

Monday 14th - Year 6 Production - evening - details to follow

Tuesday 15th - Year 6 Production - evening - details to follow

Tuesday 15th - Parents evening mini catch up (if required) with current teacher - bookings on Arbor will be op

Wednesday 16th - Meet your new teacher if required - appointments booked via the office

Friday 18th - Headteacher's Awards for Summer Term and Rotary Star

Monday 21st - Irock concert to parents - 2.30pm

Tuesday 22nd - Leavers Assembly 1.30pm

Wednesday 23rd Last Day of School

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

September

Monday 1st Staff Training Day - SCHOOL CLOSED

Tuesday 2nd Staff Training Day - SCHOOL CLOSED

Wednesday 3rd - School opens at 8.50am

Things to do

Huntingdon Wild Club - Sunday 29th June





YOUR LOCAL COMETS CENTRES!

Ramsey Colts FC

Sundays @ Tom Jones Memorial Fields, Mill Lane, Ramsey, PE26 1EF Contact: j4sonv@hotmail.com

Hampton United

Fridays @ Beaumont Way, Peterborough, PE7 8DN Contact: rsturbo500@icloud.com

All Inclusive FC

Mondays @ Huntingdon One Leisure St
Peters Road, Huntingdon,
PE29 7DA
Contact: matt@allinclusivefc.org.uk

Buckden FC

Sundays @ Buckden Rec Ground, Burberry Road, Buckden, PE19 5UY

Contact: m attbjfc@gmail.com

Priory Parkside Youth FC

Sundays @ Priory Park, Priory Hill, PE19 1LN Contact: salisbury.john@btconnect.com

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All Inclusive FC

Tuesdays @ Power League
Peterborough Rd, Farcet,
Peterborough, PE7 3BW
Contact: matt@allinclusivefc.org.uk

gary.marheineke@huntsfa.com



External Tuition



Swimming lessons - Kimbolton



SUMMER HOLIDAY EVENTS

Primary Sports Stars Holiday Club - 11th to 22nd August at **Little Paxton School**



Discovery Club lead by Grafham Water Events Team - 4th to 8th August at Little Paxton School

Please take a look at the link below for exciting details of Discovery Club happening right here!! There is a discount code for parents giving you 10% off.

Here is the link - Discovery Club at Little Paxton School and the discount code is LPSUM10.

Gentle Week



WHAT: Calm and Quiet Summer Provision

WHEN: 28th July - 1st August

WHERE: Brook Farm, Ellington PE28 0AE

Does your child need a quiet start to summer?

We know that sometimes summer provision is a bit much, especially for your quiet and sensitive bookworm or crafter. So we have created The Gentle Week, designed for your quiet one to slide gently into the summer holidays.

WHO ARE WE?

We are Sally and Sue Michaels. We are experienced teachers who know how important emotional health is to your children. Our term-time education business is all about raising confidence and self-esteem above everything and once children trust and feel safe, they are ready to learn. The Gentle Week is an extension of our strong beliefs in creating the right environment for children to thrive.

TIMINGS

So you can all benefit from the summer provision, the times of the provision are 8.15am to 5.30pm. This allows for a fully immersive day for your child as well as fitting around your work schedule.

COST

The cost per day is £50.

Sailing Club



Dance Club



Tennis Sessions



Vaccination Clinics



Sports Sessions in Paxton



Holiday Club at Buckden School



Barracudas - accepting HAF Vouchers



Cambridge United Soccer School



Dreams Come True



Sports Camp



Thanks for reading have a restful weekend.

