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YOUR WEEKLY "HELLO" FROM MISS O

Hello and happy Friday to our wonderful Little Paxton families,

How is it possible that I am writing to you at the end of the last full week of this academic year?

As I said in the press last week, we have had another busy week at Little Paxton. Things don't slow down at the end of the year, there is actually normally more to do with handovers, reports, sending work home and transition work. It would really help us if you could send your child to school with a named bag for life (as they are really strong) so that their work and books can be sent home next week. We will try and get this home before the last day of term. I hope that you enjoyed reading your child's end of year report, I would like to thank the staff for their work in writing these, it was so lovely to read them. Thank you to those who attended parents' evenings this week as well, it was very busy on Tuesday evening and we managed to fit in a lot of appointments.

The Year 6 children absolutely smashed their end of year production on Monday and Tuesday night. I could not have been prouder of them. They got a standing ovation on both nights, which they thoroughly deserved. It was so great to see the whole year group working together whether they were acting on stage; doing the lighting; being in charge of the sets and props or ensuring the music was put on at the correct time (and at the correct volume). What a fantastic performance it was! Thanks to all the families who attended (some on both nights), the staff who gave their time to make it happen (and turned up on the night to help) and of course the children!

I would like to say a massive well done to Miss Decker, Miss Henson, Mrs Williams and Miss Milner who have all passed their ECT years with flying colours. We have had some amazing feedback from their final reports which reflect the effort all these ladies have put in. We are so proud of them all and so glad that they are part of teaching team! They really are a credit to the school. It has been wonderful to have Mrs Jeakings back with us full time. She is continuing to work with Miss Peate and has had such a brilliant handover.

It has been lovely to have Abigail with us on work experience this week. Abigail is another expupil returning to visit us. We hope that she has had a wonderful week and that she has enjoyed working with the children. It is really nice to catch up with ex-pupils and find out how well they are doing. We have also welcomed a group of Chinese students and their teachers to our school this week. The Year 5 children have hosted them but I want to especially thank the buddies who put themselves forward to help the students whilst they were in school. So thank

you to: Paige, Poppy, Erin, Elise, Matty, Charlie, Rocco C and Julian. In celebration assembly on Thursday we awarded some of our children with their Silver Junior Duke certificates and also celebrated our praise point champion:

Our praise point champions this week are (drumroll please):

LOWER SCHOOL: Grace D

UPPER SCHOOL: Emily P (also the whole school champion) - we look forward to dancing out of school to the summer holidays on Wednesday to Emily's choice of song!

It's been a good year for our sporting events, lots of children from across the school have managed to take part in various competitions throughout the year. We remain a GOLD SPORTS MARK school which is a great achievement. Our Flag Football team attended their final event this week and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. I am really looking forward to being able to show off our amazing garden tomorrow at VEG FEST, I will be able to share an update with you next week. As I am writing to you I can hear the squeaks from the wheelbarrows as the children are continuing to clear and harvest in the garden ready for the summer break!

Have a wonderful weekend and we look forward to welcoming you back to school for the last 3 days of term on Monday.

Changes to SEND team

Message from our outgoing SENDCo - Miss Peate

As the end of term approaches, I wanted to take a moment to write to you personally.

It has been a true pleasure to work at Little Paxton Primary School over the past three years in my role as SENDCo. During this time, I have had the privilege of working closely with many children, families, and staff members, and I am incredibly grateful for the relationships that have been built.

I have particularly enjoyed developing and implementing support strategies for children with SEND, and it has been incredibly rewarding to see the positive impact this has had on their

learning and wellbeing. Watching the children grow in confidence and thrive with the right support has been a highlight of my role.

I have also valued the opportunity to get to know so many of you and to work collaboratively to improve the provision for all children with SEND at Little Paxton. It has been a truly fulfilling experience to be part of a school community that is so committed to inclusion and support for all learners.

Thank you for your trust, your support, and for allowing me to be a part of your child's journey.

Best wishes,

Miss Peate

Message from our incoming SENDCo - Mrs Jeakings

I am delighted to be stepping into the role of SENDCo at Little Paxton Primary School from September. I'm really looking forward to working with you all and to getting to know the children and families better.

Over the past term, I have had the pleasure of working alongside Miss Peate as I begin this new chapter. Her support, guidance, and knowledge have been invaluable, and I know she will be greatly missed by the whole school community. She has been a fantastic mentor and a truly valued member of the team.

I already have some exciting plans for the new academic year and cannot wait to begin implementing these to support the continued development of our SEND provision. I am passionate about ensuring that every child receives the support they need to thrive, and I am committed to working closely with families and staff to build on the fantastic work already in place.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable summer.

Mrs Jeakings

Multi-Sport report - Miss Henson

This week, I had the absolute privilege of taking a small group of Year 1 and Year 2 children to a Multi- Sports festival. We may have been the smallest group there, but that didn't stop us! The children threw themselves into a variety of activities with such enthusiasm. Their favourite seemed to be the obstacle course - it was a very close race and full of excitement! My personal highlight was watching them play golf. We definitely have some future golfers among us! I am

incredibly proud of them all, not only for representing the school so positively, but also for showing such perseverance and determination. Everyone gave their best, and we had a fantastic time!

Miss Henson

A few technical issues mean we can't add the photographs but we will add the "team" next week.

WORKERS OF THE WEEK

This week our workers of the week are all CONFIDENT

Marvelous Merlin - CHESTER - I have loved watching his confidence grow. I have loved watching him become a confident basketball player! He never gives up even if he doesn't get it in the hoops the first time. Keep being confident and never give up!

Lovely Lark - **TANTHWE** - you are an amazing, confident boy who carries it well. You try new challenges and throw yourself into new learning opportunities with confidence and enthusiasm. Keep it up Tanthwe!

Wonderful Woodpecker - **FREDDIE M** for showing wonderful confidence. Even though he has only recently joined our school, he has taken brave steps to make new friendships in the classroom. Well done, Freddie!

Remarkable Raven - **EZRAH** has grown in confidence so much this year and is contributing to class discussions more and more each week. We are so proud of what he has achieved. Well done Ezrah!

Perfect Pigeon - HALIA has grown in confidence SO much this year and has amazed us with her resilience and hard work. Well done Halia.

Knowledgeable Nightingale -DAISY because she shows great confidence and always puts her best effort into every task- well done!

Outstanding Owl - SULAYMAN for being confident in all situations. He is happy to try new things and is vibrant and energetic. We love having him in our class.

Clever Kite - Our clever kite this week is **SUMMER** whose confidence shines through in maths every day, even when it is tricky.

Ready Wren - AUDREY has always been confident, but this year she truly matched that confidence with a brilliant work ethic. The ideas she keenly shares are top quality, and the work she then produces is detailed, refined, and shows her best. Audrey loves personification, so it feels right to say that her work "stands tall".

Fantastic Fisher - MARLEY - because she shone with confidence in 'Oliver with a Twist'. Her lines were loud and clear and she sang with enthusiasm. Well done Marley!

Dedicated Dove - THOMAS - He showed fantastic confidence in the Year 6 performance this week. He did a great job transforming into his character, Bill Sykes. Well done!

Jubilant Jackdaw - This week's worker of the week for amazing attitude and confidence during the year 6 production is **SOPHIA** Everyone was so impressed with how clear her voice was, the effort she put into her singing and how she really thought about her stage presence and costume.

IMPORTANT! Reminder of dates coming up



July

Monday 21st - 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

Macmillan Breakfast

Housekeeping

Did you win prize 65 at the school raffle? The prize, a box of chocolates donated by Hotel Chocolat is waiting in the school office. Be quick......the office team may have to eat them!!!!

Events for you

Girls Netball





Free tickets up for grabs

A message from Cambridge United

We are writing to make you aware of upcoming fixtures for Cambridge United Women's Team at **Premier Plus Stadium in St Neots** here is a deal for your pupils and staff to enjoy over the summer!

We are offering **2** free tickets to our upcoming match on *Sunday 31st August at 2pm vs* **Dulwich Hamlet** with the code 'CUWFC1' using the link below.

The Women are looking to start their campaign strongly and with upgraded facilities at the Premier Plus Stadium, including hot food, Kids' Zone and entertainment, there's no better opportunity to head down!

https://cufcdirect.com/cambridgeunited/asp/bookTickets.asp?dept=Tickets

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to get in touch direct

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Reminder - Priory Parkside Pumas

We have been advised that there is a wonderful football club on Sundays which is amazing for children with additional needs, but it's not very widely known about.

The club is used by members of our Little Paxton Family so if you would like any further information please speak to the office team and we will pass your details on.





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

For more information

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All Inclusive FC

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

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SUMMER HOLIDAY EVENTS

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

We have been advised that there has not yet been a big take up for this event. It is currently in danger of being cancelled. It would be great if our local events were supported.



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.

Angels Foundation

We have been proud to support the Angels Foundation through school and you may be interested to attend this fundraising event on 23rd August. A kind benefactor has even gifted some paid for tickets to be used by children at Little Paxton who have been through some tough times recently.



St Neots Museum





Stageworks



What's On at St Neots Library



Summer 2025

Storytime: Every Saturday at 10.30

Crazy Cress Workshop: Fri 25th July, 10.30

Rhymetime at Love's Farm House: Mon 28th July, 10:15-10:45

Pressed Flowers Workshop*: Weds 30th July, 10.30-12.00

Learn to Knit Workshop*: Fri 1st August, 10.00-12.00

Nature Trail CrossStitch Bookmark*: Mon 4th Aug, 10.30-12.00

Chip Colquhoun - Storyteller!*: Weds 6th Aug, 10.00 & 11.30

Woven Wool Flowers*: Tues 12th Aug, 10.30-12.00

Hungry Caterpillar Mobile*: Thurs 21st Aug, 10.30-12.00

Rhymetime at Love's Farm House: Fri 22nd Aug, 10.15-10.45

Woodland Pixie House*: Tues 26th Aug, 10.30-12.00

Stories and Craft with Author Chloe Savage*: Fri 29th Aug, 10.30

*Booking required - tickets available from St Neots library.

There is a charge for some events.

For more information about our events, please ask in the library or email:

<u>StNeots.Referral@cambridgeshire.gov.uk</u>



There are some amazing events at The Norris Museum over the Summer Holidays, check out their website for further details.

https://the-norris-museum.arttickets.org.uk/

Gallery Trail Summer Sticker Book!

Discover a different gallery trail each week from Thursday 24th July to Saturday 30th August

Wild Weaving: Family Workshops with Zena Brackenbury

Friday 1st August – 2x workshops: 10:30am to 12pm and 1:30pm to 3pm

Aimed at children aged 8 years and up

Mud and Mammoths: Family Story Time and Crafts

Tuesday 5th August, 10:30am to 11:30am

Fenland Wildlife Sculptures: Family Workshops with Zena Brackenbury

Friday 15th August – 2x workshops: 10:30am to 12pm and 1:30pm to 3pm

Summer on the Ouse!

Family River Fun Day at the Norris Museum, Holt Island and the St Ives Methodist Church

Tuesday 19th August, 11am to 3pm, Free to drop in!

Magic Wishing Sticks: Family Workshops with Ricki Outis

Friday 29th August – 2x Workshops: 9:45am to 12:15pm and 1pm to 3:30pm

Gentle Week



WHAT: Calm and Quiet Summer Provision

WHEN: 28th July - 1th 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 $5.30 \mu m$. 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.

Sports Sessions in Paxton



Any other holiday clubs or events sent out in previous editions of Paxton Press can be found on our website under the Parents section.

Thanks for reading have an amazing weekend.

One last Paxton Press round-up next week for the end of another school year!

