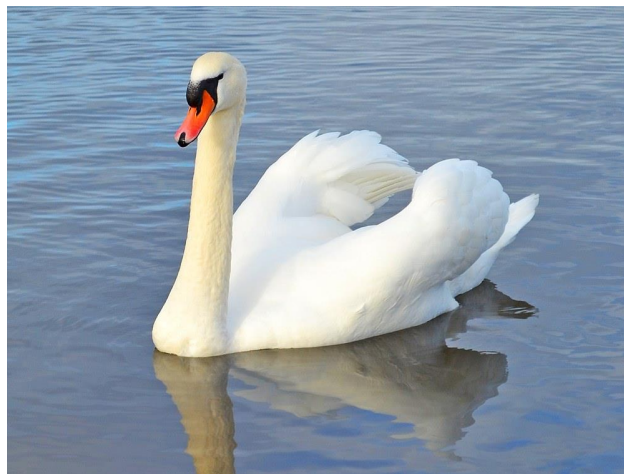




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## YOUR WEEKLY "HELLO" FROM MISS O



Hello and happy Friday to our Little Paxton families!

Even though the children have only been in school for 4 days we have certainly managed to pack a lot in. There has been lots of brilliant learning going on in our classes so there are lots of things to share and celebrate with you all.

We had another fantastic training day on Monday for our teaching team. There was training on assessing writing accurately, supporting children who have experienced trauma, training from the Occupational Therapist Team and then time in the afternoon to complete end of year assessments. It was great to have the chance to be together as a team and to get some fantastic training. Lots of the staff have already begun to use some of the strategies from the training with our children. We managed to all stay cool with an ice pop and by working in the hall. I can't believe that we planned a training day for one of the hottest days of the year, I hope that you managed to enjoy the extra time with your family in the lovely weather.

Our Larks and Merlins have been looking at the story 'Handa's Surprise' as part of their learning this week. This is a fantastic book if you haven't read it, it is one of my favourites. The children have been writing sentences about the fruit that falls into Handa's basket and the animals that she meets. I had a very proud **Tanthwe** come to visit and share his writing with me. **Maxwell**, who had come with Tanthwe, asked if I would like to see his writing as well so went and got it. Both children had written fantastic sentences using great adjectives, they both had a dip in my Headteacher's Stash Bag and chose a tiny rubber duck each (there is a photo of the proud boys in the press). Oliver H from Year 4 brought some marvellous Maths to share with me where he had to find as many ways as possible to make 42. His mini whiteboard was full of ideas, he really had thought outside the box (there is a photo of a very proud **Oliver** in the press as well). I have

a list of children to visit today who want to share their learning with me and I am really looking forward to having the chance to do this.

On Tuesday, we had the police visit to deliver an assembly. I have never seen the children in Years 4 to 6 walk into assembly so quietly and standing so tall. We invited PC Croft, who brought a team with him, to speak to the children about Racism. We wanted the children to understand what Racist Language is and that they shouldn't be using discriminatory words they hear in songs or in films. They also spoke about all protected characteristics. The children listened really well and it is fantastic to be able to partner with the police. Mr Saxby and I were pleased to hear that they offer a session on mobile phones and cyber bullying as this is something we feel the children really need to understand. Both of these really important lessons are part of our PSHE curriculum, and also our assembly programme, but sometimes the message needs to be said in a different way by a different person for it really to sink in.

This week we had a really positive meeting with a local school's work charity who actually came in to ask for some help from school for an older child who needs some work experience and in exchange asked what they could offer us. I asked if they delivered any coaching/mentoring sessions for children to support with behaviour, emotional regulation and those children facing significant challenges in their lives (especially those who have experienced trauma). They said they could offer something for 4 children initially and may have capacity to give us more support. For some of our children this support is much needed and I am delighted that 4 children could access free sessions (which started yesterday) and will continue at least until the end of term.

It is our second Praise Point Celebration this afternoon for those children who have achieved 50 praise points by this point in the year, I am really glad to be celebrating with these children, they should be very proud of their achievement. Congratulations to **Eveline, Lola, Amber, Addison, Harriet and Juliette** who have all reached 50 praise points! Fantastic job!

Speaking of Praise Points, our praise point champions this week are (drumroll please):

LOWER SCHOOL: **Megan W** (for the second week in a row - well done Megan)

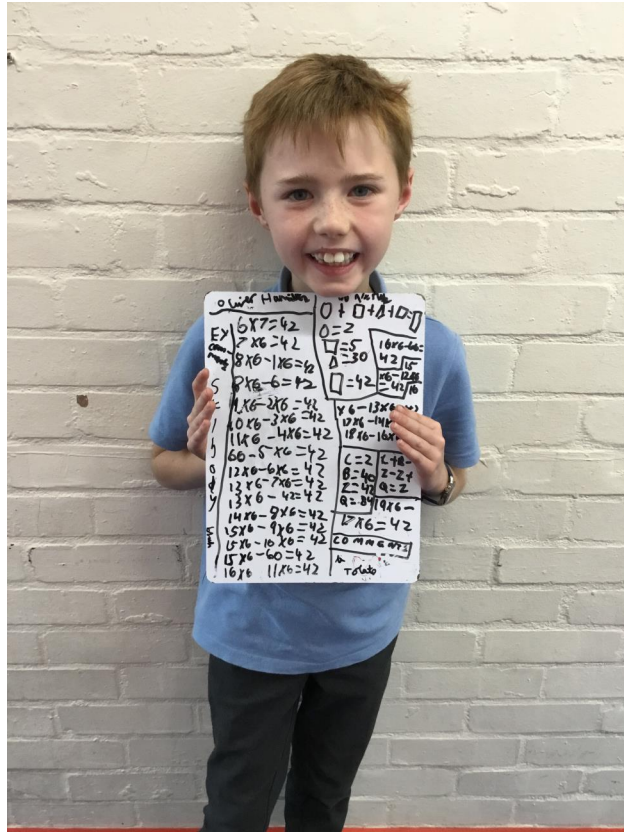
UPPER SCHOOL: **Ava H**

At the moment we are having our Friday Celebration Assemblies in the morning instead of at the end of the day so we can ensure the children are out on time, it is cooler in the hall and the children (and adults) are more focused at the start of the day. We have a 'Friday Feeling' song at the end of assembly so we can dance into the weekend but we have not been able to do this in the morning. As a school we really enjoy this (the children choose the song) so we are trying something different and hope that our families will join in with us as well. At the end of the day we are going to be playing Shivers by Ed Sheeran through the speaker. Please feel free to dance

out of school into the weekend with your families. The song has been chosen by Megan, our school praise point champion from last week. Next week you will hear Ava's choice of music playing you into the weekend. We do hope that you will get involved with our 'Friday Feeling'.

All that's left for me to say is have a wonderful weekend





## Message from Mrs Rider

Hello to all our families! The weather has been warming up A LOT this week and one of the first things our children want to do is to get outside and play in the paddling pools or water trays. As the weather warms up, outdoor learning becomes even more exciting—and at our school, we love making the most of it! Two key aspects of summer activities are **water play** and **sun safety**.

Both contribute to children's development, enjoyment, and wellbeing, and we're proud to promote safe, purposeful outdoor experiences for our children.

Water play isn't just fun—it's an important part of early learning. Whether children are pouring, measuring, or exploring textures, they are developing critical skills across many areas of the curriculum:

- **Maths:** Water play naturally introduces concepts such as volume, capacity, comparison, and estimation.
- **Science:** Children learn about cause and effect, properties of water, and basic physics through hands-on exploration.
- **Communication and Language:** Working together at the water tray encourages conversation, collaboration, and storytelling.
- **Fine Motor Skills:** Scooping, pouring, squeezing and manipulating water tools support hand-eye coordination and muscle development.

Water play is also soothing and sensory, supporting emotional regulation and imaginative play. We encourage children across Early Years and Key Stage 1 to explore water play safely and with enthusiasm.

With longer days and stronger sun, it's vital that children are protected while enjoying time outdoors. At school, we take sun safety seriously by encouraging a few simple habits: hats, sun cream, hydration, shade. Teaching children about sun safety from a young age helps them build lifelong habits that keep them safe and healthy while enjoying the sunshine.

By combining engaging outdoor activities like water play with clear sun safety guidance, we give our pupils the best of both worlds—fun, learning, and wellbeing.

We hope you have fun in the sun this weekend and getting outside as safely and as much as you can!

Mrs Rider

## Cricket report from Mr Booth

### Step aside Bazball – Paxball is here!

On Tuesday, I had the pleasure of taking a group of Year 4s to a cricket festival in Ramsey. In keeping with Little Paxton tradition, we had one player too few! However, this turned out not to be an issue as we (and I'm not going to sugarcoat this) absolutely destroyed the competition!



Our batting was too powerful and explosive. It was a complete feast of boundaries throughout each game. Oliver H was hitting sixes for fun, and he had plenty of support. Dylan, Oliver M, and Seb all chipped in with maximums, while Clara and Ellie hit plenty of lovely fours.

In the field, we were equally dominant. Dylan caught everything that came near him, including a spectacular diving catch. Our bowling was superb - particularly from Emily, who was accurate throughout.

The captaincy and camaraderie were also a pleasure to watch from behind the ropes. I was able to enjoy the games with the parent spectators as the Year 4s went about their business.

It was a fantastic afternoon of cricket in the sun. Everyone had a great time and was, as expected, an absolute delight to be with - and a credit to the school. Great job, Year 4!

## News from the Garden

Reminder to come along and visit us on Tuesday at the LP Fest.

Hopefully you will have already bought your hamper raffle tickets from me in the playground, but there will be an opportunity to

Back due to popular demand will be Mrs. Warren's jams and chutneys – this year we have strawberry, summer fruits and hot chili jam plus mango chutney. Also available will be an assortment of house plants.

Are you brave enough to try our Box Challenge? Guess the contents for a chance to win a fabulous sweet hamper. DO SO AT YOUR PERIL!

We will be located by the container in the playground and of course the garden will also be open.

All proceeds go directly to the garden for equipment, activities and plants.

Mrs Castle







## **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**

Apex Home Improvements £30.00

All4one Voucher

Long Yuen Court £40.00 Voucher x 2

Moore's Walk Café Breakfast for 2

The Kitchen Magician £25.00 M&S Voucher

Beauty By Lisa Hot Stone Back Massage

EH Football Education Voucher x 3

Gainz 1 month pass

Rumble Voucher for 2

Clickity Clack Parties £10.00 off voucher

Buttercup Bakes 6 Cupcakes

All Inclusive Football Coaching 10 Sessions

Southlake Water Park Voucher for 3 people

Grafham Water Crazy Golf for 2 adults and 2 kids

Spud Grooming£10.00 off voucher

Gymfinity1 month membership

Codswallop Fish & Chips for 2

Dumbletons Photography Family photo session x 10

Hairology Little Paxton Gift bag of products

Mellow Full Body Massage

Stageworks A half term of free classes

Bad News HQ £10.00 voucher

Danielle Hawkes Hairdressing Wash, cut and finish

Over Power£100 voucher

Safire Candles Waxmelts

Bad News HQ3D printed Model

Loads of goodies from Tesco:-

Flamingo Cup, Rucksack, Cushions, Storage Bags, Scentos gift set, Bathma, Frying pan, Colouring books, and a grey rug.

Hotel Chocolat - 3 HUGE boxes of chocolates.

**There are even more gifts promised**

A few extra pairs of hands would be very useful during the afternoon of the 8th July to help set up, even an hour 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.

Hoping we keep the sunshine for a few more days



## Parents Evenings - 15th and 16th July

We have two mini parents evenings coming up on the 15th and 16th July. If you wish to catch up with your child's **current** teacher on the 15th July from 3.40pm to 5.30pm, bookings are still open until Monday.

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

YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR INFORMATION SESSION ON...

**UNDERSTANDING AND RESPONDING TO BEHAVIOUR**

Monday 7<sup>th</sup>  
July at 2pm-  
Little Paxton  
Primary School

with..  
The Mental Health  
Support Team

FREE

Babies and pre-school age children are welcome to join

This session will provide you with **information** to increase your understanding of your child.

We will talk about how to **recognise** when your child may be feeling overwhelmed and **identify** some of the possible reasons they may be struggling.

We will then introduce some **strategies** to help your child manage these big feelings!

### Well done Phoebe!

We just wanted to share with you some fund raising that Phoebe from Pigeon Class and her sister completed over June to raise money for a charity called **Contact**. It was a Dino challenge, not only have they got a love of dinosaurs but also wanted to support a disabled charity as their aunty is profoundly disabled.



## Workers of the Week

This week our workers of the week are all **CARING**

**Marvelous Merlin - JACOB** - because he is a caring and kind member of Merlin class. He always looks out for his friends and shares well with other. He is friendly and always gets on well with all the other children. Well done Jacob, keep being kind!



**Lovely Lark - GRACE**, you are a caring and kind friend and you are great at ensuring that everyone is included in your play. You also look after our school and you are a super helper at tidy up time!

**Wonderful Woodpecker - There are two this week!**

**DARCY** because she is always polite and caring to others. She is super helpful to her friends, well done Darcy!

**KAI** - because he was a super star on our school trip! He joined in on all the activities, walked around the whole zoo and listened carefully all day. Well done

**Remarkable Raven - BEN** - He always checks on others, helps them when they are struggling and just cares for all the children and adults!

**Perfect Pigeon - We have two Pigeons too!**

**MARKO** - he is such an incredibly caring boy who is always ready to help someone who is struggling. You are a star Marko

**KARUNYA** - She engaged so well on our trip to the zoo and listened brilliantly to adults. We are so proud of her!

**Knowledgeable Nightingale - TROI** - because she takes great care with her work, shows care by helping to keep the classroom tidy and is an all round superstar! We are lucky to have Troi in our class! 😊

**Outstanding Owl - SCARLET** because she is caring. In maths she is quick to help others and always readily offers help with a smile on her face

**Clever Kite - IVY** - for always showing kindness. She's the first to include others when they're feeling sad or left out, and her warm smile brightens the classroom. I often turn to her first because of her caring nature and positive attitude

**Ready Wren - ELIJAH** is such a caring member of Wren class. He looks out for others, always makes the right choices himself, and helps make Wren class a better place!

**Fantastic Fisher - GEORGE** - because he can be a caring friend and look out for those around him.

**Dedicated Dove - SIENNA** - She is a kind and caring individual and shows empathy to others. Sienna is also super supportive in the classroom and a great role model. Well done!

**Jubilant Jackdaw - HARRY H** for being such an outstanding kind, caring and loyal friend. He particularly impressed us last Friday when year 5 visited Longsands for the day. He volunteered

himself to buddy up and support another boy who was feeling very anxious about it. Harry supported him all day, checking in and making sure he was ok.

## **IMPORTANT!** Reminder of dates coming up



### **July**

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 to Friday 18th - Chinese students in school

Monday 14th - Reports delivered to parents

Monday 14th - Year 6 Production - evening - ticket details have been sent.

Tuesday 15th - Year 6 Production - evening - ticket details have been sent.

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

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 - I-rock 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**

## Events for you

### SEN Lego Club



## Girls Football



# 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

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**All Inclusive FC**

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

**Priory Parkside Youth FC**

**Sundays** @ Priory Park, Priory Hill,  
PE19 1LN  
Contact: salisburyjohn@btconnect.com

**All Inclusive FC**

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

**For more information  
contact  
gary.marheineke@huntsfa.com**

**Buckden FC**

**Sundays** @ Buckden Rec Ground,  
Burberry Road, Buckden,  
PE19 5UY  
Contact: m attbjfc@gmail.com

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# YOUR LOCAL WILDCATS CENTRES!



**All Inclusive FC**  
Monday 5:30-6:30pm (Year 1-3)  
Buckden Recreational Ground, Burberry Road, Buckden, PE19 5UY  
Contact: matt@allinclusivefc.org.uk

**Hampton United**  
Tuesday 5-6pm  
Hampton Hargate Playing Field Beaumont Way, PE7 8DP  
Contact: hamptonenquiries@gmail.com

**Priory Parkside Youth FC**  
Saturday 9:15-10:15am  
Priory Park, Priory Hill, PE19 1LN  
Contact: priorysecretary@gmail.com

**Buckden FC**  
Monday 6:30-7:30pm (Year 4-6)  
Buckden Recreational Ground, Burberry Road, Buckden, PE19 5UY  
Contact: mattbjfc@gmail.com

**Sawtry Colts FC**  
Sunday 11am-12pm  
Sawtry Junior Academy, Middlefield Road, Sawtry, PE28 5SH  
Cost: £3  
Contact: jadecox2306@gmail.com

**Ramsey Colts FC**  
Wednesday 6-6:45pm  
Tom Jones Memorial Fields, Mill Lane, Ramsey, PE26 1EF  
Contact: mmuirrcf4@gmail.com

**Brampton Spartans FC**  
Sunday 10-11am (Year 1-3)  
11am-12pm (Year 4-6)  
Brampton Memorial Playing Field, Thrapston Road, Brampton, PE28 4TD  
Contact: bsfsecretary@gmail.com

**Godmanchester Rovers**  
Sunday 10-11am  
Godmanchester Rovers FC, Bearscroft Lane, PE29 2NF  
Contact: secretary@godmanchesterroversfc.co.uk

**St Neots Town Youth FC**  
Sunday 10-11am  
The Common, New Street, St Neots, PE19 1AE  
Contact: enquiries@stneotstowntownyouth.com

**St Ives Town FC**  
Monday 4-5pm  
St Ives Town Football Club, Westwood Road, PE27 6DT  
Contact: annie.posnett@huntsfa.com



## Paxfest - Help support our village and Pre-school





## SUMMER HOLIDAY EVENTS

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



**PRIMARY SPORTS STARS**  
**Football + Multisport camp**

After successful camps at Buckden Primary, we're excited to announce the launch of a Little Paxton camp! Open to all ages and abilities, our camp is the perfect way to learn football from scratch or level up your existing skills.

If football isn't your thing, you can choose the sport on offer for that day. Sports such as Archery, Tennis, Tag Rugby, Hockey, Athletics, Dodgeball and many more!

Join us for exciting daily competitions and prizes!

📍 School: Little Paxton Primary  
👥 Year group: All ages welcome!  
🕒 Camp time: 08:30 – 15:30  
📅 Camp dates: 11<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> August  
💰 Price: £25 per day, with discounts for multiple days booked!  
✉ Email: [psscampsnorth@gmail.com](mailto:psscampsnorth@gmail.com)

Scan the QR code to find out more & Book...

**Book here: [www.primarysportsstars.co.uk](http://www.primarysportsstars.co.uk)**

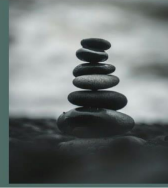
### Discovery Club lead by Grafham Water Events Team - 4th to 8th August at **Little Paxton School**

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

# THE GENTLE WEEK



WHAT: Calm and Quiet Summer Provision

WHEN: 28<sup>th</sup> July - 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

## Sports Sessions in Paxton

A flyer for 'Little Paxton Summer Sports Sessions'. The flyer has a blue background with a light blue border on the right side featuring illustrations of a volleyball, a soccer ball, a basketball, and a baseball. At the top left, there is a logo for 'Oneleisure ACTIVE LIFESTYLES' and a small 'LITTLE PAXTON' logo. The main title 'LITTLE PAXTON SUMMER SPORTS SESSIONS' is in large, bold, white letters. Below the title, a location pin icon is followed by the address 'QE11 Playing Field, Little Paxton, PE19 6EY'. A calendar icon is followed by the dates and times: 'Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> July 10am -12pm' and 'Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2pm-4pm'. A paragraph of text says 'Join us for some FREE fun & active sessions for 5-11 year olds, with a range of sports on offer.' Below this, it says 'Pre-booking is essential' and 'To book please email: clerk@littlepaxtonparishcouncil.gov.uk'. At the bottom, there are two bullet points: '• 2 qualified coaches' and '• A chance to try new sports'.

**Oneleisure**  
ACTIVE LIFESTYLES

**LITTLE PAXTON**

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Paxton, PE19 6EY

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Any 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 a restful weekend.

