



PAXTON PRESS - 23rd January 2026



**YOUR WEEKLY "HELLO" FROM MISS O**

Hello and happy Friday to our wonderful Little Paxton families,

I have the privilege of writing to you from Hilltop Outdoor Centre in Sheringham where I am with many of our Year 6 children on their residential. The children have had a brilliant week and I know they have made so many memories. During the week the children have been on the Big Zipper, Biking, doing Team Tasks, climbing trees and conquering the Treetop Trail. They have also been playing massive games of 'Traitors' together, Mrs Darlow makes an excellent Claudia Winkleman. For me, one of the best parts of a residential is seeing the children gel together and work with children they wouldn't normally.

I also love seeing them do something they have never done before or thought they could not do. As a school, our vision is that every child will flourish and achieve and we all know that some of our children are not able to flourish in the classroom. Residentials are a key part of the children all having opportunities to excel and show what they can do. One of the reasons we have been developing our Personal Development Curriculum is so that all children have the chance to shine at something. Trips to Paxton Pits; our Grafham Water Adventure Days, going to the Pantomime, our amazing garden provision and Junior Duke are such an important part of what we provide at Little Paxton.

The Year 6 children who are at school have had a fantastic time and have been so helpful. Opportunities like these would not be possible without the fantastic staff team organising and going along to these trips. Thank you so much to the staff at school for keeping the school running so smoothly this week and to Mr Saxby, Mr Pool, Mr Cooke, Mrs Ince, Mrs de Souza and Mrs Darlow for taking the children to Hilltop. You are all so appreciated!

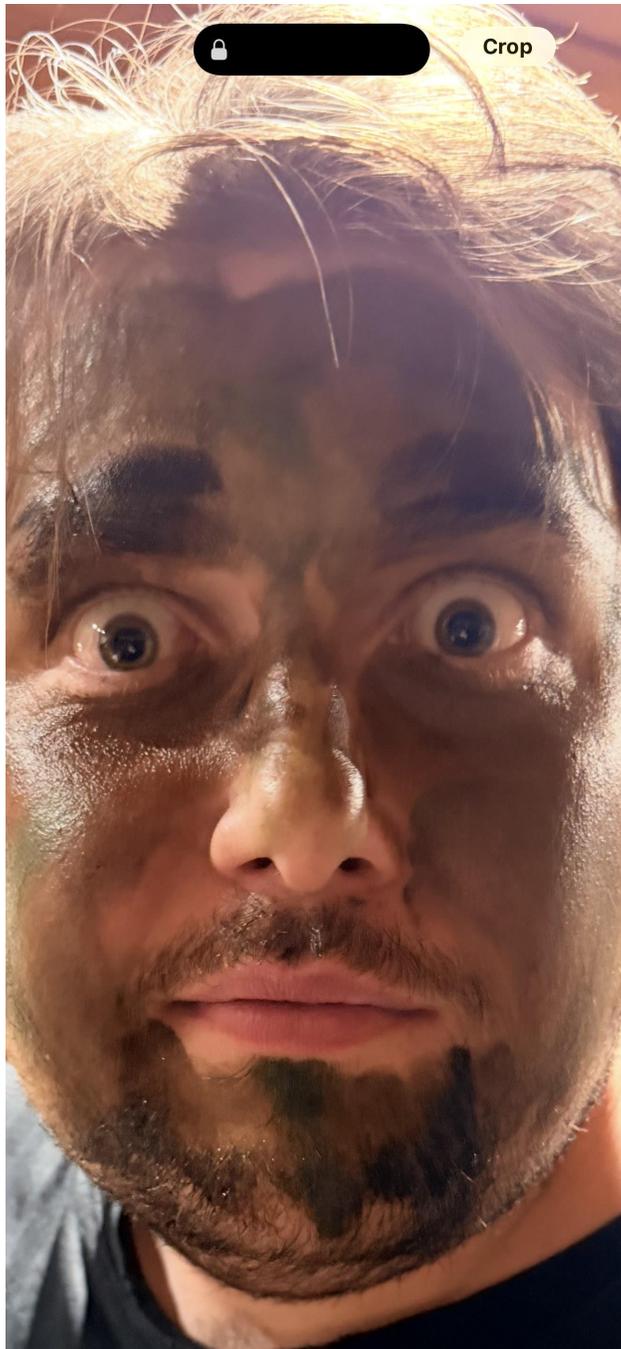
I have been keeping in touch and I know they have had a great week in school. This week's Praise Point Champions are **Toby** in Upper School and **Phoebe** in the Lower School.

I will sign off now as it's lunchtime here!

Have a wonderful weekend and we look forward to welcoming you to school on Monday at 8.40am when the gates open!















## Message from Miss Dellar - Lower School Lead



Hello and happy Friday!

What a busy start to the Spring term we have had so far! I can't believe how fast time is going and we have already been at school for three weeks!

All of the children have had an a great start to this term, even though it has been really busy with trips to the pantomime and getting back into learning after an exciting Christmas break!

In Early years we have started the Spring term off with a theme of space and the children have really enjoyed learning all about the moon and having a space station and rocket in the classroom! We will keep the focus on space until the half term and will even be learning about some famous astronauts.

The children in EYFS have also been learning our phase 3 sounds which are digraphs and trigraphs. They have been doing a super job in remembering all of these as there has been lots to learn! Well done EYFS children!

In year 1 and 2 they have also had a great start to the New Year! Especially after their amazing Christmas production last term! This half term for history they have been looking at castles and learning about castles and battles! I know the children have enjoyed this! They also have had their computing day this week and lots of the children have been excited to learn new skills on the computers!

The next few weeks are very busy with more trips, exciting learning and parents evenings before half term, but the children are doing an amazing job! We are so proud of how well all of the children are doing and they should be really proud of themselves!

Have a lovely weekend!

Miss Dellar

Lower School Lead

## Workers of the Week



1 - This half term we are celebrating being creative!

### FOUNDATION

**Marvelous Merlin** - This week it is **PENNY** - She has had some creative ideas in drawing club this week. She drew a ship that had a monster trap that used rope that would never break. Well done Penny, keep being creative!

**Splendid Sparrow** - **ISABELLE**, because she has been really creative this week by creating an amazing telescope to look at the moon! She always does her best listening and is a fantastic member of Sparrow class! Keep being amazing Isabelle!

### YEARS 1 AND 2

**Lovely Lark** - **JESSICA** for doing lovely drawings and she has great moves when we have been doing our dancing.

**Super Starling** - **ERIN** for her outstanding creativity in her drawing. She used her imagination wonderfully and took great pride in her work.

**Wonderful Woodpecker** - **PRIMROSE** for using her imagination and having some lovely ideas in her writing this week.

## YEARS 3 AND 4

**Remarkable Raven - TABITHA** - She has worked so hard this week in English and has been improving her writing all the time. She has been so creative and imaginative, coming up with some brilliant ideas and sharing them with the class! Well done Tabitha!

**Clever Kite - ELLA** is our clever kite this week, impressing us with her creative thinking, particularly in her independent writing. She has been trying different strategies, explaining her ideas clearly, and isn't put off when something feels challenging.

**Fantastic Fisher - RORY** - has shown great creativity in English this week. His willingness to help others during peer review has had a positive impact across the class.

## YEAR 5

**Ready Wren - TOBY** - creative is a very good word to describe Toby! His writing from this week featured a "wailing wind", a racing heart and an excellent deep dive into the main character's thoughts, as he wrote about 'The Giant and the Sea'.

**Perfect Pigeon** - Our perfect pigeon this week is **EMILY** because she has blown us away with her super creative writing in English, using powerful vocabulary and sentence structures for dramatic effect. Great work Emily, we are so proud of you!

## YEAR 6

**Dedicated Dove and Jubilant Jackdaw** - None awarded for this unusual week but lots of fun both at Hilltop and in school.

## Housekeeping

### IT Acceptable Use Agreement - IMPORTANT

Earlier this week you were sent an IT Acceptable Use Agreement Document. We are unable to assume consent, it is imperative that you complete the Microsoft form as quickly as possible for our records. If you have not received this, have any queries or do not wish to consent for any reason, please contact the office team.

## Headlice



We have headlice in school - Please check your child and treat accordingly and ensure children with long hair have it tied back.

## Parents Evening

You will have received information about our parents evening bookings yesterday. Bookings open at **6.00pm, Friday 23rd January** and are available on Arbor. If you have any difficulty making an appointment, please do not hesitate to contact the office team and we can assist.

## Grafham Water Experiences

If you have not yet paid the remaining balance for your child, the deadline is 30th January. If you have any issues with payment, please speak to a member of the office team or send an email to [office@littlepaxton.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:office@littlepaxton.cambs.sch.uk).

The deadlines for ordering a school packed lunch for pupils on the Grafham trips are:

Years R, 1 and 2 - Lower school - Wednesday 28th January

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 - Upper school - Wednesday 4th February

Please choose the sandwich/roll option on school grid and note that it will be cheese in the packed lunch. If there are any dietary needs preventing you choosing an option, please speak to the office team.

All school ordered packed lunches will be transported to Grafham for the children.

## Book Sale

We have lots of books, for both children and adults that have been donated to us and we would like to raise some money and turn those books into new "Little Wandle" books that can support

our phonics learning. There will be a book sale from 3.00pm on Thursday 29th January, continuing after school.

Maybe you could pick a book for your child in advance of parents' evening as a "well done" or simply take advantage of finding a well known title for a bargain price. Please pop along.

#THRIVEin2025 Current total **£2628.65**



Arbor is still able to accept payments into the Thrivein2025 account until the end of January 2026. Thank you all for your support.

## IMPORTANT! Dates to remember



### January

Wednesday 28th - SEND Parents Evening (Virtual) - Year 6

Wednesday 28th - **Kite Class** Parents Evening - 3.40pm to 5.30pm

### February

Monday 2nd Lower school trip to Grafham

Monday 2nd - **Kite Class** Parents Evening - 3.40pm - 7.00pm

Monday 9th - Friday 13th - Mental Health Week

Monday 9th - Parents Evening - 3.40pm to 7.30pm

Tuesday 10th - Upper school trip to Grafham

Wednesday 11th - Parents evening - 3.40pm - 5.30pm

Monday 16th - Friday 20th - **HALF TERM WEEK - SCHOOL CLOSED**

Tuesday 24th - Year 6 SAT information evening (Virtual) 6pm

Wednesday 25th - Young Voices

Wednesday 25th - Year 6 English Challenge - school hall

## March

Monday 2nd - Friday 6th World Book Week

Monday 2nd to Thursday 5th - Year 6 Bikeability

Wednesday 4th - Parent Drop in - all year groups

Thursday 5th - World Book Day

Wednesday 18th - Come See and Celebrate - during the school day - more details to follow

Friday 20th - Headteacher Spring Term Awards - 9.05am Lower School, 1.45pm Upper School

Friday 27th - LPSA Easter Event - Watch this space!

## Tesco Tokens - Exciting news

We have attached a personalised video from Jessica Ennis-Hill to support our collection, please right click on the link and open in a new window to watch!!

[Watch our promotion video](#)

GREAT NEWS FOR US AT LITTLE PAXTON PRIMARY SCHOOL!



### **We are calling out for your votes/tokens to get a share of Tesco's Stronger Starts fund**

Stronger Starts provides grant awards of up to £1,500 to local community projects, with a particular focus on children and young people. Three groups in every community have been shortlisted to receive grant awards and Tesco customers can vote for the group they think should take away the top award in their local Tesco store and.....

**Our school is one of the groups on the list!**

**Our project will be titled:**

**'Sensory and Woodland Walk'**

We hope to develop a sensory pathway providing another wonderful place for the children to enjoy during break times.

**Make sure that you put your token in our box and please encourage friends, neighbours and anyone else that you can think of to do the same!**

**Stores involved will be:**

**St. Neots Extra**

**Eaton Socon Express**

**St. Neots Loves Farm Express**

Events for you

Meet and Greet

**Meet and Greet**  
Drop in

*Do you just want some company  
or need some information?*

*If you have any disability,  
or support anyone with a disability,  
or struggle with your mental health.*

**Everyone welcome.**

**Last Wednesday of every month starting 25th  
February 2026 10:30 am**

**The Anchor Pub  
Little Paxton, St. Neots**

Sturdy Studio

# Beezee Families - Free Support



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Our in-person and online group programmes are for children above their ideal weight, see our website for more information.

## St Neots Ladies football games coming up



## Half Term Ideas

## Treetops

**February Half Term 26**

Our holiday clubs are free-flow, self-led, play environments. Children can play, create and explore lots of play spaces. Our play workers are there to facilitate their play. As well as all of the indoor and outdoor activities set up each day, we have specific activities run by the staff each day as seen on this programme. We try to incorporate different types of activities for all personalities and to keep the children busy. Key:

- Active play
- Creative play
- Themed activity
- Kitchen creations

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February**

- Paper plate bees
- Pitta pizzas
- Outdoor challenges

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February**

- Pom-pom flower sticks
- Straw marble run
- Balloon games

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February**

- Raincloud craft
- Hot potato game
- Football fun

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February**

- Sponge painting ice creams
- Parachute games
- Sandwich kebabs

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February**

- Handprint ladybirds
- Bucket ball
- Bread making

To book go to:  
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 For more information email us at:  
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## Talent Dance Academy - Dance Workshop



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## Primary Sports Start



**PRIMARY SPORTS STARS**  
February half term sports camp @  
Buckden Primary

After six successful camps, we're excited to announce the launch of our seventh at Buckden. Open to all ages and abilities, our camp is the perfect way to learn sports from scratch or level up your existing skills.

We have daily sports such as Archery, Football, Tennis, Tag Rugby, Hockey, Athletics, Dodgeball and many more!

Join us for exciting daily competitions and prizes!

- Schools: Buckden Primary
- Year group: All ages welcome!
- Camp time: 08:30 - 15:30
- Camp dates: Monday 16<sup>th</sup> - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February
- Price: £22 per day with extra discounts for multiple days + sibling bookings

Book here:  
[www.primarysportsstarscambridge.co.uk/clubs-camps](http://www.primarysportsstarscambridge.co.uk/clubs-camps) Email: [psscambsnorth@gmail.com](mailto:psscambsnorth@gmail.com)

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



## Cambridge United Soccer Schools

### Boys Football

February Soccer Schools are here, and we are inviting you to join us during this Half Term!!!

Join Cambridge United for their **February Soccer Schools** from Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February and have an unforgettable Half Term of footballing fun!

**Cost:** 1 day - £22.50, 2 days - £45, 3 days - £65, 4 days - £85, 5 days - £100

**Ages:** 5-12      **Times:** 9:00-4:00

**Venues:** Chesterton Community College, Coleridge Community College, Comberton Village College, Swavesey Village College

Be in with a chance to win amazing Cambridge United prizes and enjoy our daily themes where every child can express themselves in any way they want! Also, meet our very own Cambridge United players who get involved with games and activities!

There's still plenty of spaces, so make sure to register soon and secure your spot via our website:

Soccer Schools - [Soccer Schools | Cambridge United F.C.](#)

If you have any questions or need any more information the please send us an email.

For Soccer Schools, please email Elliot at [elliottj@cambridgeunited.com](mailto:elliottj@cambridgeunited.com)

We can't wait to see you there!

Best wishes,

Cambridge United FC



## Girls Football

Not sure what to do this February Half Term, well we have the best Girls Only Football Camps for you!

For the first time we are hosting a full day of Girls Only Football Camps and we would love to see you there.

Join the camps on **Wednesday 18th February** and have an unforgettable half term of holiday spirit and festive footballing fun!

### Event Details:

#### Full Day Girls Football Camp Details:

- **Date:** Wednesday 18th February 2026
- **Times:** 9 AM - 4 PM
- **Ages:** 7 – 16 years old

- **Venues:** Swavesey Village College
- **Cost:** £35 for the day

You'll get the chance to **make new friends, learn footballing skills,** and potentially **meet Cambridge United FC Womens First Team Players!**

So grab your boots and join us for an awesome half-term experience!

There's still plenty of spaces, so make sure to register soon and secure your spot via our website – [Cambridge United Football Club The Cledara Abbey Stadium Ticket Ordering](#)

Or email Kristi on [ydgirls@cambridgeunited.com](mailto:ydgirls@cambridgeunited.com) for any questions!

We can't wait to see you there!

Best wishes,

Cambridge United FC



# AMS Sports Camp

**THE AMS HALF TERM SPORTS CAMPS**

DAY	SCHOOL VENUE (CB23 7RE)	TIME	AGES	SPORTS CAMP TYPE	COST	TICK TO SELECT
Monday 16th Feb	HARDWICK	9am - 3pm	4-12	MULTI-SPORTS	£21	
Tuesday 17th Feb	HARDWICK	9am - 3pm	4-12	MULTI-SPORTS	£21	
Wednesday 18th Feb	HARDWICK	9am - 3pm	4-12	MULTI-SPORTS	£21	
Thursday 19th Feb	HARDWICK	9am - 3pm	4-12	MULTI-SPORTS	£21	

Any 2 days = £40      Any 3 days = £55.50  
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  - Discounts for 3 family members or more
- Need 8.30 - 9am or 3pm - 3.30pm? Just add £2 for each 30 mins per family

Please note: Hardwick and Cambourne Community Primary School is located on Limes Road, Hardwick, CB23 7RE.

Questions? Get in touch!  
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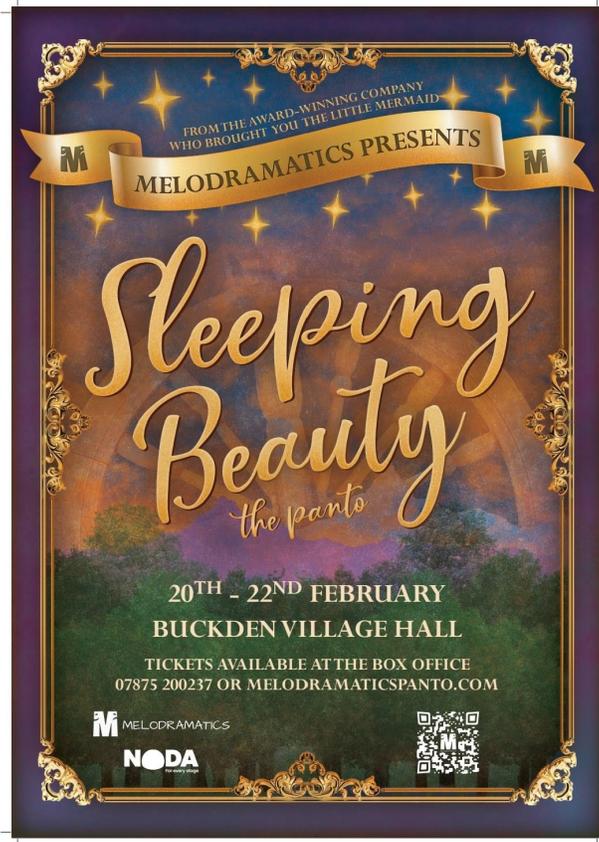


**TO BOOK PLEASE EMAIL THE ENTIRE FORM OR THE FULL DETAILS ON THE FORM INCLUDING DATES TO: alex\_minei@yahoo.co.uk or text 07538273420.**

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Local pantomime



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Tech Camp

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HENLOW,  
SG16 6AN**

**TIMES:**

9:00 - 3:30pm

8:00 - 5:30pm

**AGES:**

Reception - Year 7

**LABURNUM PRIMARY,  
SANDY,  
SG19 9HQ**

**TIMES:**

9:00 - 3:30pm

8:30 - 5:30pm

**AGES:**

Reception - Year 7

**LAWNSIDE ACADEMY,  
BIGGLESWADE,  
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**TIMES:**

9:00 - 3:30pm

**AGES:**

Reception - Year 7

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Early Intervention Family Advisor - Some dates have been revised

EFIA Workshops February 2026

# Education Inclusion Family Advisor Team Countywide Online Workshop Offer

The EIFA team would like to present our newly updated workshops on a variety of parenting and family issues for **February**.

Please ensure you book onto each workshop individually by clicking on the link or scanning the QR code and completing the registration form.

Supporting Your Child with Angry Feelings – Evening session	Monday, 2 February 2026, 18:00-19:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams</a> or 
Supporting Your Child with Feelings of Worry – Evening session	Thursday, 5 February 2026, 18:00-19:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams</a> or 
An Introduction to Family Wellbeing	Tuesday, 10 February 2026, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams</a> or 

If you have any questions about our workshops, or the EIFA service in general, please contact [earlyintervention@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:earlyintervention@cambridgeshire.gov.uk)

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### Get in touch

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Thanks for reading

