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

Hello and happy Friday to our wonderful Little Paxton families,

Welcome back everyone! Spring 2 is here and it looks like the Spring weather is trying its best to stay with us, we have had a few really nice days (along with the usual rain). As the weather is improving we are getting back on the field to ensure our full OPAL provision is in place for the children. Please do send your child to school with a spare pair of shoes or wellies for them to use if they want to go on the field. Brighter days are coming!

Spring 2 has started with lots going on and plenty of opportunities for the children to get out of school; make some amazing memories and have some fantastic experiences. On Tuesday afternoon 2 teams of Year 6 children went to play in a Quicksticks Hockey Tournament in St Ives. The children were brilliant and a real credit to the school whilst they were there. They hadn't had much time to work on their hockey skills but they threw themselves into it finishing a very respectable 4th in the B team tournament and 7th in the A team tournament out of 12 teams (many of whom have hockey coaches and after school hockey clubs). I need to say a big thank you to 'Coach Claire' Bywater, who enabled us to enter a second team as so many children wanted to take part, and to Mrs Stafferton and Mrs Clinton for being the best cheerleaders & first aiders. It was a wonderful afternoon in the sunshine and I came back to school really proud of the children!



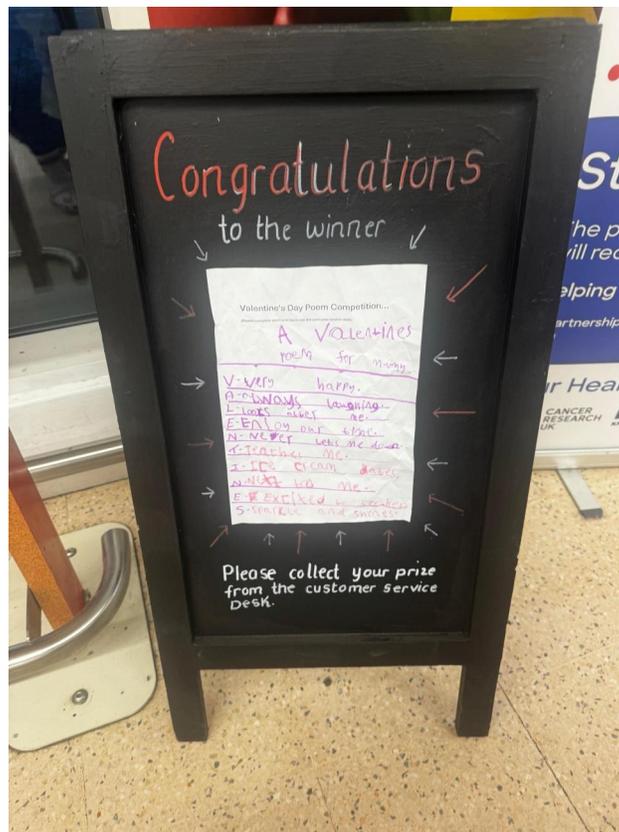
On Wednesday our choir travelled all the way to London to join **8,000** other children in the Young Voices Choir. This event is truly magical and one of my favourite days of the year. The children were a credit to the school and the team of staff (and volunteers) who helped at the event really threw themselves into the spirit of the day with lots of enthusiasm, especially when dancing and singing to the 1990's medley! We walked 7.3 miles and did over 18,000 steps. Not surprisingly, the coach home was a lot quieter than the coach going to London. This event would not have been possible without Ms Hazell running our choir for us with the support of

Miss Baggot, so thank you ladies for the time you give every week to enable the Young Voices trip to happen, you are much appreciated. Also a special thanks to Mrs Webb, Mrs Turner and Mrs Stafferton for giving up your day (and your evening and some of your sleep) to give the children such a memorable day!



Yesterday after school we also hosted the English Challenge at Little Paxton. This is for children in Year 5 and Year 6. Our team of 4 did very well but did not make it to the next round. Mr Saxby was really proud of our team: Casey, Calan, Erin and Poppy and the families who came along to support the children.

I love hearing about what children have been getting up to outside of school and had a wonderful message this week from a rightly proud parent! Willow, from Woodpecker Class, entered a poem she wrote for her mum into a competition at Tesco and WON! Willow's winning poem was also on display in Tesco and she received a lovely hamper as her prize. I think you will agree it's a fantastic poem with beautiful handwriting as well! Well done Willow, we are all very proud of you!





A **VALENTINE** Poem for Mummy

Very Happy

Always Laughing

Looks after me

Enjoy our time

Never lets me down

Teaches Me

Ice Cream Dates

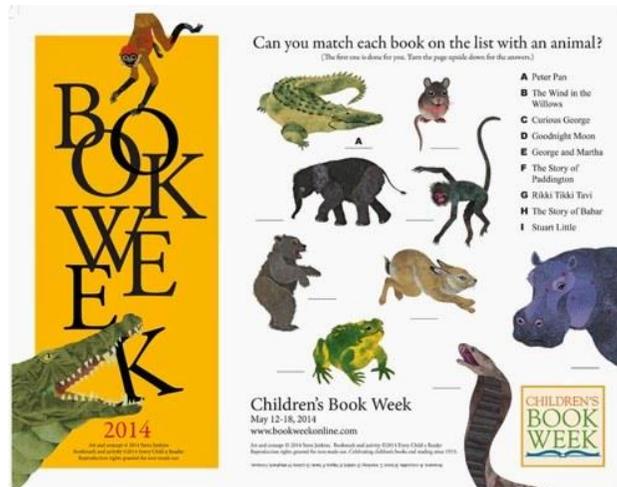
Next to Me

Excited to see her

Sparkles and Shines

We are really looking forward to our 'Book Week' next week. Here is a reminder of the fantastic things Mr Simkin has planned for us:

### Dressing up:



This year, children can choose to dress up as any book character they would like. The dressing up will take place on World Book Day itself, Thursday 5th March. If they would like to bring in the relevant book to share with their peers, we absolutely welcome that. Please do not feel any pressure to spend money on an outfit. Simple, homemade costumes or even small accessories linked to a character are more than enough, and children are very welcome to take part without dressing up at all.

### In school:

In school, we will be sharing lots of stories and even writing a story together as a whole school. Early Years will write the beginning and Year 6 will see us through to the end! I'm looking forward to stitching it together and showing off Little Paxton's talents as readers and writers.

### At home:

World Book Day is also a good reminder of how important reading at home is. Research in the UK shows that fewer children are read to regularly as they get older, even though reading together has a massive impact on vocabulary, confidence and enjoyment. Even a short amount of time spent reading or talking about a book together really does make a difference.

I had the absolute privilege of attending our, newly formed, Eco-Council's meeting on Thursday afternoon. This is being chaired by Toby (Wren) and the secretary is Harriet (Pigeon). All the

children, 12 in total, are all clearly passionate about the environment and it was a really special time. To see children from Year 1 to Year 5 working together and supporting each other was amazing. They have fantastic ideas to make our school more environmentally friendly, watch this space.

Our praise point champions this week earning an extra 5 praise points to add to their total are ...

Upper School - **Jonah** (Pigeon Class)

Lower School - **Isla** (Lark Class)

Well done to you both!

As some of you may be aware, Miss H Smith has not been in school this week. I am sure you will join me in wishing her well and we look forward to her return.

I am really looking forward to seeing some fantastic costumes on Thursday, that reminds me, I need to think about what I am going to do, there are so many books I love (Harry Potter is too obvious).

I wanted to also say that we have had an incredibly generous donation of £300 to add to our Thrive in 2025 total! It is from one of our grandparents as a thank you on behalf of Ben in Raven Class and her other two grandchildren who have gone through Little Paxton I am blown away by this and also the amazing total we have. This takes us over £3000!

That's all from me for this week! I look forward to seeing you all on Monday morning at 8.40am when the gates open (hopefully in the sunshine).

## Eco Council Up-date

Miss Owen and I were so impressed with the commitment and enthusiasm of all of the applicants for a position on our Eco Council; with almost 40 applying it was a bit overwhelming

and extremely difficult to choose only 10. In the end we came down to 12 and couldn't face any more angst!



## **ECO COUNCIL**

Dylan - Woodpecker

Olivia - Lark

Rae Lark

Melodie - Kite

Maisie - Kite

Callie - Kite

Tabitha - Raven

Harriet - Pigeon - **Secretary**

Euan - Pigeon

Emily - Pigeon

Clara - Pigeon

Toby - Wren - **Chairman**

After a short catch-up on Monday, our Council had their first meeting on Thursday. The daunting task was to complete a 24 page questionnaire about our school and grounds. We were delighted to welcome Miss Owen to our inaugural meeting, which I hope she didn't regret as she was put on the spot with several questions! Although we over-ran, (apologies to class teachers!) it was an extremely productive and informative meeting which highlighted not only areas that we need to improve on (Energy, Global Citizenship), but also some that we excel at (School Grounds). We will await Harriet's minutes, but I can report that we have already assigned two groups to arrange meetings with Mrs Gatward, Mr Rogers and Mrs Bridgewater and that wheels will be put into motion to improve our score and achieve a Green Flag.

**REQUEST FOR HELP/ADVICE:** One of the items that the Council discussed was making our pond more environmentally friendly. We have no outdoor electricity so we can only use a solar powered pump. Thanks to Mr White we have a big solar booster on the roof. Do you know of anyone who can advise us on the best way forward?

### Message from Miss Henson - Woodpecker Class Teacher

We hope you all had a lovely half term. It has been wonderful to hear about all the exciting and busy activities the children enjoyed during the break. I was thrilled to hear Willow (from Woodpeckers class) won a hamper for a poem she wrote for her mum. It's even up on display in Tesco's St Neots! Well done Willow! It was also just as exciting to hear Oscar (another Woodpecker) visited Bolsover Castle, and Oscar proudly shared his knowledge of castles from last term's history unit. It's lovely to see their enthusiasm for learning continuing beyond the classroom. Thank you for sharing with us!





## Workers of the Week



1 - This half term we are celebrating being creative!

**FOUNDATION**

**Marvelous Merlin** - Our worker of the week this week is **SANKUNG**. He has been really courageous this week because he pushed himself out of his comfort zone during our PE Dance lessons. Keep being courageous Sankung!

**Splendid Sparrow** -

## YEARS 1 AND 2

**Lovely Lark** - **MYLES** for coming into school so well this week and trying really hard to be independent with his organisation of the day.

**Super Starling** - **FREDDIE** for being courageous in our dance session this week. He made lots of effort in our first session wowing Miss Charlotte.

**Wonderful Woodpecker** - My worker of the week this week is **SELASI**. Despite Selasi saying he felt Dance was hard, he pushed himself and tried his very best. He did a great job!

## YEARS 3 AND 4

**Remarkable Raven** - **CORALINE** she has been courageous and determined with her writing but also to manage her resilience and has taken positive steps each day to keep improving! Well done Coraline!

**Clever Kite** - **ELLIOT** is our *Clever Kite* this week for being courageous and challenging himself in his reading test. He showed great resilience. Well done, Elliot!

**Fantastic Fisher** - **MILLIA** has been very courageous this week, joining in with class discussions and confidently sharing her ideas.

## YEAR 5

**Ready Wren** - **EDITH** was courageous in our first Year 5 swimming lesson, rapidly gaining confidence and moving up a group! She's also been persistent in improving her handwriting and tackling tricky Maths topics.

**Perfect Pigeon** - Our perfect pigeon this week is **OLIVER** because he has a courageous attitude in school. He will step out of his comfort zone; being part of the choir singing at young voices and is always eager to take on new challenges. Well done!

## YEAR 6

***Dedicated Dove - PAIGE*** - She has been really courageous with her learning in English and Maths this week and I have been super impressed with the work she has produced.

***Jubilant Jackdaw - MUHAMMED*** - *for being courageous with his Maths and English this week. His attitude to learning has been exceptional, he has shown great perseverance even when something is challenging. Well done! We are all astounded at the progress you have made overall since joining Little Paxton Muhammed!*

## Housekeeping

### URGENT URGENT URGENT IT Acceptable Use Agreement

**Please just take one minute to click the link - you only need to add your child's details, consent and submit.**

**We apologise that the link before half term did not work for some people. This has now been rectified.**

**UNFORTUNATELY WE STILL HAVE CHILDREN WITHOUT CONSENT TO OUR UPDATED ACCEPTABLE USE AGREEMENT.**

**It may be that you have previously consented in some way but as updates have been made, we NEED to have consent, THE EASIEST WAY IS via this Microsoft form. PAPER COPIES WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE.**

**We would really appreciate your co-operation with this.**

We have included a further copy of each of the agreements, one for Lower School, EYFS, Years 1 and 2 and the other for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. Please find below, a link to the consent form.

[Link for acceptable use agreement](#)

If you have any queries or concerns over the agreements, please do not hesitate to contact us with those concerns so that they can be addressed.

We are unable to assume consent, it is imperative that you complete the form as quickly as possible for our records.



## EYFS and Key Stage 1 Acceptable Use Agreement

Little Paxton Primary School

Agreed and Signed by Headteacher	<i>E. Owen</i>
Agreed and Signed by Chair of Governors	<i>C. Cunniff</i>

### My Online Safety Rules

- I only use the internet at school when an adult is with me.
- I only click on links and buttons online when I know what they do.
- I keep my personal information safe.
- I will not share my passwords with anyone.
- I only send messages online which are polite and friendly.
- I know the school/setting can see what I am doing online\*
  - *\*children only use their own individual log in to access the Chromebooks, all online activity in school is filtered and monitored by Netsweeper*
- I always tell an adult/teacher/member of staff if something online makes me feel unhappy or worried.
- I know what might happen to me at school if I do not follow the rules\*
  - *\*if children do not follow the rules a decision would be made, depending on how serious the incident is, on the appropriate consequence (it would be from step 5 – Loss of Privilege – the privilege being accessing the internet independently)*
- I have read and talked about these rules with my parents/carer

### Agreement

I am signing below to show that I have discussed this with my child and they understand that they must try to abide by these rules.

Pupils Name	
Parent/Carer Signature	
Date	



## Upper School

### Acceptable Use Agreement

Little Paxton Primary School

Agreed and Signed by Headteacher	<i>R. Owen</i>
Agreed and Signed by Chair of Governors	<i>C. Cannon</i>

#### My Online Safety Rules

- I will only use school IT equipment for activities agreed by school staff.
- I will only delete my own files unless my teacher gives me permission to delete someone else's.
- I will not look at other people's files.
- I will not use my personal email address or other personal accounts in school when doing school work.
- I will not sign up for any online service on school devices unless this is an agreed part of a school project approved by my teacher and agreed by my parent/carer.
- I will only open email attachments if it has been approved by a member of school staff in school or a parent/carer out of school. If I am unsure about an attachment, I will ask an adult for help.
- I will not tell anyone other than my parents/carers my passwords. I will not use other people's usernames or passwords to pretend to be them online.
- I will make sure that all online contact I make is responsible, polite and sensible.
- I will be kind and respectful at all times.
- I will not deliberately look for, save or send anything that someone could find unpleasant or upsetting. If I come across anything upsetting, unpleasant or nasty, or anything that makes me feel unsafe, I will tell my teacher or my parent/carer immediately.
- If someone says, asks or posts anything upsetting, unpleasant or nasty, about me or anything that makes me feel unsafe, I will not reply. I will tell my teacher, my parent/carer or another trusted adult immediately.
- I will not give out my own or other people's personal information such as name, phone number, home address, interests, schools or clubs. If I have to use a name online, I will use an anonymous nickname. I will tell my teacher or parent/carer if anyone asks me online for personal information.
- Uploading or sending my image (photographs, videos, live streaming) online puts me at risk. I will always seek permission from my teacher or parent/carer if I wish

to do this. I will not take, share or upload any image of anyone else without their permission and also, if they are a child, without their parent's/carer's permission.

- Even if I have permission, I will not upload any images, videos, sounds or words that **could** upset, now or in the future, any member of the school community, as this is cyberbullying.
- I understand that some people on the internet are not who they say they are, and some people are not safe to be in contact with. I will not arrange to meet someone I only know on the internet. If someone asks to meet me, I will not reply to them and I will tell a teacher or a parent/carer immediately.
- I understand that everything I do or receive online can be traced now and in the future. I know it is important to build a good online reputation.
- I understand that some personal devices are allowed in school and some are not, and I will follow the rules. I will not assume that new devices can be brought into school without getting permission.
- I will not lie about my age in order to access games, apps or social networks that are for older people as this will put me at risk.
- I understand that these rules are designed to keep me safe now and in the future. If I break the rules my teachers will look into it and may:
  - *Speak to me about my behaviour*
  - *Speak to my parents/carers about my use of technology*
  - *Remove me from online communities or groups*
  - *Not allow me to use laptops/computers or other mobile devices to access the internet, school computer network or particular programmes and apps.*
  - *Take any other action necessary to keep me and others safe.*

### Agreement

I am signing below to show that I have discussed this with my child and they understand that they must try to abide by these rules.

Pupils Name	
Parent/Carer Signature	
Date	

## LPSA Family Chocolate Bingo



Our much-loved Easter Bingo is just around the corner, and we're so excited to bring a fun-filled celebration to our children and families!

However, in order for the event to go ahead, we need to sell a minimum number of tickets.

We truly want to make this event happen, but we can only do so with your support. If you're planning to attend, please purchase your tickets as soon as possible and help us spread the word to your family and friends. Please click the link below to grab your tickets. <https://little-paxton-school-association.sumupstore.com/product/chocolate-bingo-night-27th-march-2026-5pm> Let's work together to make Easter Bingo a success! Thank you for your continued support.

Rebecca Darlow

# Chocolate Bingo



**27<sup>th</sup> March  
2026, 5pm**

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Primary  
School**

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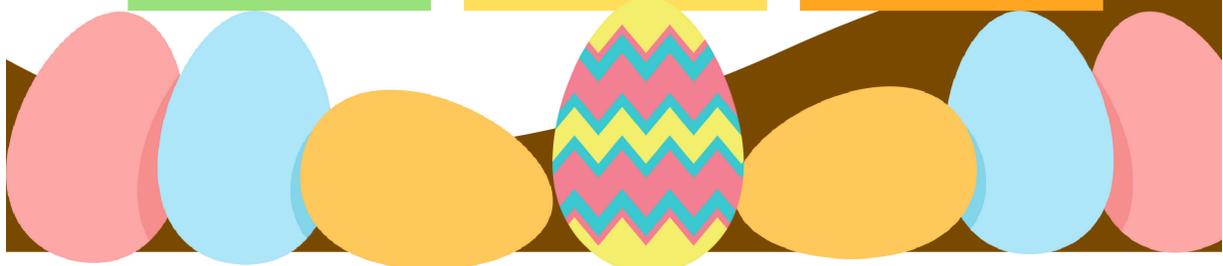
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Lunar New Year





## IMPORTANT! Dates to remember



### **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 - Non Uniform Day - Bring in a book and dress as a character from the book.

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 - Chocolate Bingo for children and adults - See details above

### **April**

Monday 13th - Summer Term Opens

Friday 17th - LPSA Lower School Movie Night (details to follow)

Wednesday 22nd - Class Photo Day

Friday 24th - LPSA Upper School movie night (details to follow)

Tesco Tokens - There is still time to vote for us!



**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

Talent Dance Academy Workshop



The poster features a vibrant design with the word 'TALENT' in large, multi-colored letters (red, orange, yellow) at the top, each containing a black silhouette of a dancer. Below it, 'DANCE ACADEMY' is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The word 'DANCE' is in a large, blue, italicized font, and 'WORKSHOP' is in a smaller, blue, italicized font below it. To the left, there are illustrations of two children dancing, a blue brushstroke, and white concentric circles. At the bottom right, there is an illustration of a child in a green jacket and black pants dancing on a blue brushstroke. The text 'At Hemingford Grey Primary School' is centered below the main title. The date 'SUNDAY 08TH MARCH' is accompanied by a calendar icon. The time '11:00- 13.30' and price '£18.00pp' are listed. The activities 'Dance', 'Craft', 'Mini Photoshoot', and 'Games.' are listed on the right. The website 'WWW.TALENTDANCEACADEMY.CO.UK' is at the bottom, with a QR code to the left.

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## CIRCUS

- 1 Join the flips and tricks in the circus:** Get introduced to the circus activities of the day
- 2 Teamwork:** Bond with your fellow performers through fun ice-breakers and team challenges
- 3 Get active:** Structured gymnastics and ninja-style sessions on the gym floor – just like a real circus
- 4 Picnic time:** Snack breaks and lunch break – don't forget your packed lunch!
- 5 Fun & Games:** Our energetic coaches will lead thrilling circus games guaranteed to bring laughter and big smiles.
- 6 Arts & crafts:** Get creative and make spectacular circus-themed crafts and colourful masterpieces!
- 7 Cool down time:** Wind down the camp day with a chilled out game and reflection of the day before pick-up.

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## 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 and March**.

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 Sleep	Tuesday, 24 February 2026, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams</a> or 
Managing Challenging Behaviour	Thursday, 26 February 2026, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams</a> or 
Supporting Your Child with Angry Feelings	Tuesday, 3 March 2026, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams</a> or 
Sibling Rivalry	Thursday, 12 March 2026, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams</a> or 
Digital Safety	Tuesday, 17 March 2026, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams</a> or 
Supporting Your Child with Feelings of Worry	Tuesday 24 March 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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Thanks for reading



3 - Spring has arrived