



PAXTON PRESS - 15th May 2026



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

Hello and happy Friday to our wonderful Little Paxton families,

I am so incredibly proud of the whole school this week and this seems a good place to say so! Our Year 6 children have completed their SAT tests (6 in total) during the week. Each day they have had breakfast in school together (special thanks to Mrs Bridgewater for cooking bacon so we could have bacon rolls on Thursday) and then have completed their tests. Every Year 6 has demonstrated such a positive attitude to their SATs and we could not have asked them to try any harder. Whatever the outcome is, each one of them can be proud of themselves and know they have given it their all. The rest of the school have supported the Year 6 children so well by either lending an adult to support one of the children; moving classrooms to keep the top of school as quiet as possible or just making sure the Year 6 children were not disturbed. So thank you to our whole school community and a MASSIVE well done to our Year 6 children!

For those of you who have been part of our school community for a few years you may remember us creating 'Mini Moo' our cow for the 'Cows about Cambridge' trail. Even if you weren't around then, you may have seen 'Mini Moo' at the front of school. It was fantastic to be part of this project and the children loved designing it and going to find 'Mini Moo' on the trail. Next year it's the year of the 'Panda Meander'. Little Paxton are going to become the owners of our very own panda (which we have to design and paint to go on the meander trail). Last Friday a team from the ACTS charity (linked to Addenbrooke's new children's hospital) came to school with one of their pandas to take some photos of our children to use in their advertising of the event. It was perfect that it was David Attenborough day as we even found a few pandas to be in the photos. I can't wait for us to be a part of this community event!

Alongside the amazing work the Year 6 children have been doing with their SATs, I have managed to get out and about to see some other brilliant learning. Phoebe (Woodpecker Class) proudly shared a lovely poem she has written at home about 'The Night Sky'; Jessica (Raven Class) showed me her brilliant Science revision cards about cells - that were inspired by her sister who is doing exams at the moment and Lily (Pigeon Class) brought me some Maths she was very proud of as she got onto the Dive Deeper challenge. I have some other children to visit that will make it into the press next week.

Other children who have been working hard and demonstrating our school values consistently this week are our praise point champions. Drum roll please ... this week our praise point champions, who will each be earning an extra 5 praise points to add to their total are :

Upper School - Coraline (Raven Class) Tabitha (Raven Class)

Lower School - Chester (Lark Class) Louie (Starling Class)

Well done to you all and thank you for working so hard!

I read something this week that said in May you can experience all weathers before the end of the day. This has definitely been the case this week with sun, rain, hail, wind during the day. We want to be able to get the children outside at break and lunch as much as we can on these days full of different weather conditions so please could we ask that, even if the sun is shining in the morning, you send your child(ren) to school with a jumper and coat (this could be a rain mac they keep in their bag just in case).

Finally for this week's press I have some news about a member of our staff team. Sadly, Mrs Staple, one of our office managers has decided the time has come for her to retire. I am so grateful to Mrs Staple for letting me know of her decision before I set the budget and with plenty of time to work out what to do without her in the office. Our office team really is the engine room of the school. Mrs Staple will be leaving at the end of next week to begin her retirement (I believe she already has a term time holiday booked which I am very jealous of)

Mrs Staple has been part of our school community since her son joined in Reception. So she has been a parent, an LPSA secretary as well as 17 years as a member of staff and an important part of our school community. She leaves a legacy of organising amazing events (such as bringing the circus to school, the VE day picnic, the fantastic colour run, our Go Green for Macmillan days - including ensuring we all were full after breakfast - there have been many more but these are just off the top of my head); to writing Paxton Press every week and supporting our school community in many other different ways. I am so thankful for Mrs Staple and the dedication she has shown to Little Paxton over the years, she will be deeply missed. I know it will not be goodbye, but see you later!

To celebrate her 17 years as a member of staff, everyone is invited to wear yellow, or a hint of yellow, next Friday as this is one of Mrs Staple's favourite colours, as well as being the colour of friendship. There is also a book which we will be making available in the office from Monday if any of our families would like to write a personal message to her. We look forward to giving Mrs Staple the send off she deserves.



***Wonderful Woodpecker** - My wonderful woodpecker is **FLYNN** because he has been super helpful to adults in the classroom this week and he has been kind to new students who have needed help.*

#### **YEARS 3 AND 4**

***Remarkable Raven** - **LILY** because she is always so kind and caring to others. She puts others before herself and has such a compassionate nature. Thank you for being you. Well done Lily!*

***Clever Kite** - **FRANKIE G** because she always has such kind and positive outlook on life. This was shown in history when discussing about the recruitment drive for WW1. She also has such a sensitivity to the way she acts towards other children and adults. Please keep it up, you are a credit to Kite class.*

***Fantastic Fisher** - **MOLLY** always shows great compassion towards her class and classmates. She is always willing to help with a job and readily works or plays with anyone.*

#### **YEAR 5**

***Ready Wren** - **OLIVER H** - he is always compassionate towards others but I have noticed he is particularly helpful towards others when doing 'partner reading' and feedback in English lessons, helping his peers to improve their work.*

***Perfect Pigeon** - Our perfect pigeon this week is **LILLY** because she really impressed us with the kind and compassionate way she made lots of loom band bracelets for others in the class. She has also been trying very hard to produce her best work in each lesson. We are really proud of you Lilly!*

#### **YEAR 6**

***Dedicated Dove** - **The whole of Year 6** for their effort and amazing attitude this week during SATs.*

***Jubilant Jackdaw** - Our Jackdaw worker of the Week is **MUHAMMED**. Not only has he shown excellent focus and determination throughout all of his SATs papers, but he has also demonstrated genuine compassion for others. He consistently looks out for his friends when they are upset and makes sure everyone feels included, especially during Junior Duke sessions.*

## Housekeeping

### School Census Burger Day - Thursday 21st May

Thursday 21st May is our school census day and we have a themed school lunch menu - It's Burger Day!

Every school dinner taken helps with future funding so please book a school lunch via schoolgrid: <https://app.schoolgrid.co.uk>

\*\*\* Pre-booked lunches - please check your original option has not been wiped when schoolgrid loaded the themed menu \*\*\*



### Environmental Day - 5th June

There will be a special menu on Friday 5th June. This has just been loaded. There will be Chicken Fajitas, Macaroni Cheese, Jacket Potato or a cheese Baguette instead the advertised

menu. If you had already chosen meals for this day, please revisit SchoolGrid as previous orders have been wiped.

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## World Environment

### Reducing Food Waste 5th Of June

**MAIN MENU**  
Chicken Fajitas  
or  
Mac 'n' Cheese (v)  
**both served with**  
Cajun Potato Wedges  
Broccoli Stem and Apple Slaw  
or  
Cajun Potato Wedges (Ve)  
loaded with Baked Beans  
(Free From\*)

Some of the most wasted ingredients include: bread, milk, potatoes, cheese, apples, chicken and bananas

**DESSERT**  
Apple Charlotte Pudding with Ice Cream  
or  
Banana and Oatmeal Muffins

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Menus are subject to change due to supplier stock availability. \* Free from the key 14 allergens and plant based/vegan

Thank you

Our Kitchen Manager received a lovely message to brighten her day from a parent this week and says thanks for the kind message.

"my daughter always loves her dinners from you"

## IMPORTANT! Dates to remember



### **May**

Wednesday 20th - Meeting for New Parents joining September 26

Friday 22nd May - LPSA Whole School Disco night

(EYFS/Years 1&2 - 4pm to 4.45pm    Years 3&4 - 5pm - .5.45pm    Years 5&6 6.pm-7pm)

HALF TERM - Monday 25th - Friday 29th

### **June**

Monday 1st June - School re-opens

Wednesday 3rd - Foundation school trip to Shepreth Wildlife Park

Monday 1st - Friday 5th - World Cup Week

Friday 5th - World Cup Dress up in the colour of your flag - details to follow.

Tuesday 9th - Ash Randall Football Freestyler visit

Thursday 11th - Year 6 Hercules Trip

Friday 12th - Year 5 Grafham Trip

Wednesday 17th - Sports Day - Upper School 9.15am -12.00pm Lower School - 1.15pm - 3.00pm

Friday 19th Father's Day Gift Event

Wednesday 24th - Reserve Sports Day - Upper School 9.15am -12.00pm Lower School - 1.15pm - 3.00pm

Friday 26th - Years 1, 2 and 3 Trip to Hunstanton & Sea Life Centre

## **July**

Wednesday 1st & Thursday 2nd July - Transition days for Longsands and Ernulf

Wednesday 8th July Little Paxton School Festival - 3.30pm - 5.30pm\*

Thursday 9th July - Teddy Bear's Picnic

Friday 10th Year 6 production Dress Rehearsal to school (am)

Friday 10th July Irock concert to parents (pm)

Monday 13th July - Reports home to parents

Tuesday 14th - Parents Evening end of year catch up - Current teacher - 3.40pm - 5.30pm

Tuesday 14th - Year 6 production - evening performance

Wednesday 15th - Meet your new teacher - appointments booked via the office - 3.30pm - 5.00pm

Wednesday 15th - Year 6 production - evening performance

Thursday 16th - Leavers' Assembly - 1.30pm

Friday 17th - Headteachers Award Assembly & Rotary Star - Lower School 9.05am - Upper School 2.45pm

Friday 17th - **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL**

Monday 20th - STAFF TRAINING DAY - **SCHOOL CLOSED**

LPSA



Summer Disco is just around the corner, Friday 22nd May. Please book your child a place via the QR code on the poster or via the link below:

<https://little-paxton-school-association.sumupstore.com/product/summer-disco>

Please ensure you put your child's full name and class in the contact information section not your name.



Would you like to join us? We are always looking for new volunteers to help provide our children with fun experiences to raise funds for school. Please get in touch!

## Come and Join the LPSA

Starting school is a big step—for children and parents! The LPSA is a friendly group of parents and carers who work together to make school life even more fun and rewarding for everyone.

### What do we do?

We organise enjoyable fundraising events throughout the year, like:

- 🎵 School discos
- 🎬 Movie nights
- 🍦 Ice-cream Fridays

These events help us raise around **£5,000** every year for the school.

### Where does the money go?

Everything we raise goes straight back into enriching the school experience for the children. For example, we help to:

- 🚌 Reduce the cost of school trips for families
- 🎠 Provide playtime equipment (like the train on the playground!)
- 🌳 Fund special projects—this year we funded a makeover for the treehouse room.

### Why join us?

- 👫 Meet other parents and make new friends
- 🍎 Enrich your child's school experience
- ⚡ Help out as much or as little as you like
- 🍷 Relaxed and friendly group - no experience required and we usually meet at the pub!

Whether you can spare an hour at an event or help with the shopping, we'd love for you to join.

✉️ To register your interest or find out more, email us at:  
[littlepaxtonsa@gmail.com](mailto:littlepaxtonsa@gmail.com)



## Ice cream Friday

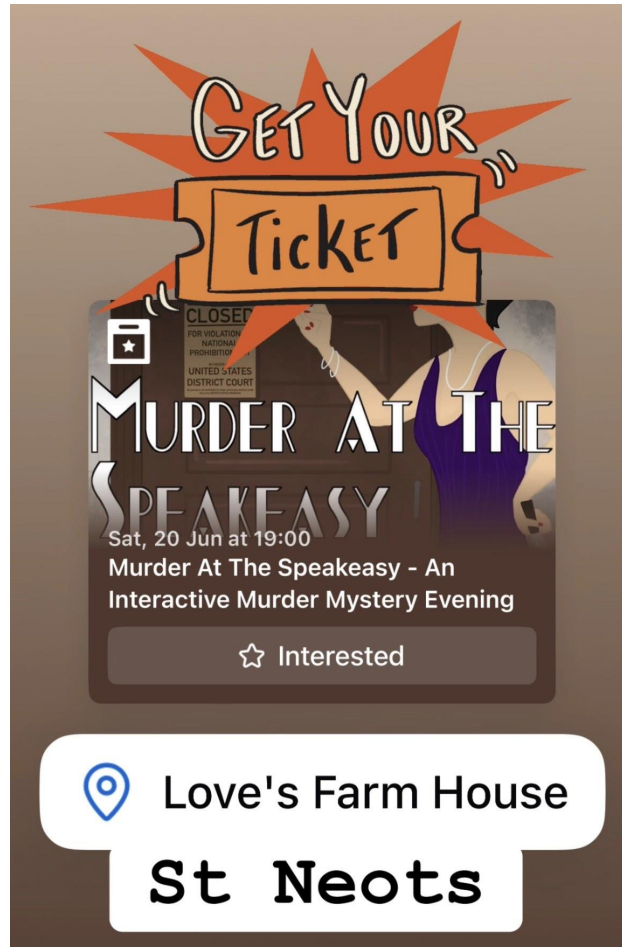


## Housekeeping

We have a lovely cream furry jacket aged 7-8 in the office that has not been claimed following last week's David Attenborough Day. Please collect if it belongs to your child.

Events for you

A Murder Mystery Near You



Murder Mystery @ Loves Farm House, St Neots

Tickets 

<https://ti.to/loves-farm-house/murder-at-the-speakeasy>

Saturday 20th June 2026 from 7.30-10.30pm (doors open at 7pm)

You are cordially invited to dress in your 1920s glad rags for an evening of entertainment, murder and intrigue at Love's Farm House.

Raw Theatre Productions present a fully interactive and immersive evening where you will:

Have an opportunity to investigate the murder scene;

Be given evidence to review and decipher;

Have the opportunity to interrogate each suspect (actors).

A great local night out! 🍷🎭

## Wildcats

Is your little one wanting to play more football? ⚽

We're forming U7 - U11 girls teams for the 26/27 Season with the Women's Football Coaching Network Coaches leading the teams as part of St Neots Town Youth.

With a new Hunts & District Girls League coming into place, it's a great time to join in and get involved!

Get in touch with us and email your interest to [wildcats@stneotstownyouth.com](mailto:wildcats@stneotstownyouth.com)



## Little Paxton Rainbows

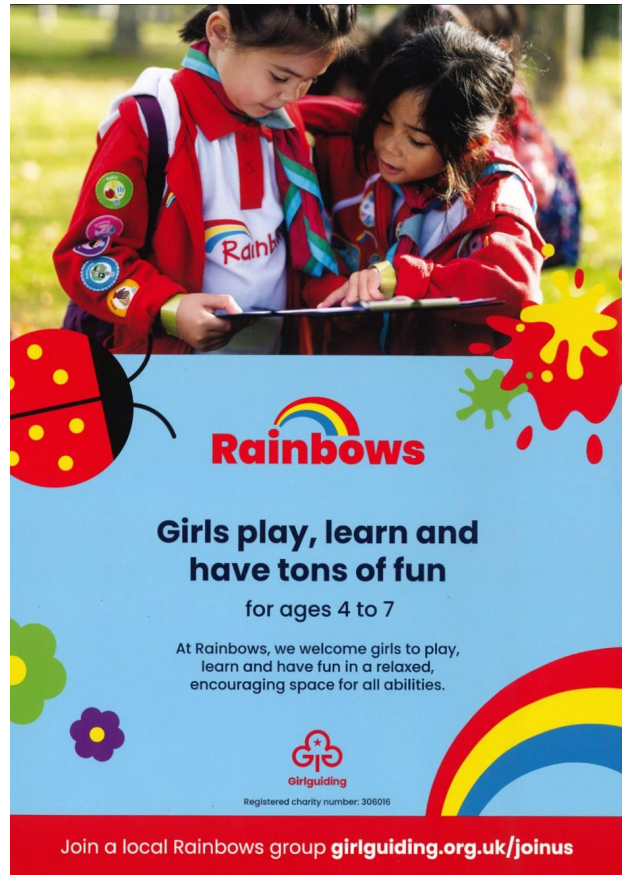
🌈 Looking for a fun activity for girls 4–7 year old? 🌈

Rainbows is all about:

✨ Trying new things ✨ Making friends ✨ Building confidence ✨ Learning teamwork ✨  
Having lots of fun!

1st Little Paxton Rainbows will have spaces becoming available soon, as some of our girls move up to Brownies.

Register now - [www.girlguiding.org.uk/joinus](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk/joinus)



## Cricket sessions

### 🏏 Girls Only Dynamos (Ages 8–11)

A programme specifically for girls, these sessions provide a welcoming and encouraging environment to learn cricket skills, stay active, and enjoy being part of a team.

Link: <https://ecb.clubspark.uk/Dynamos/littlepaxton/Course/9d4771ee-60fa-4f13-a642-a004bf409be3>

**Bursary codes are available for Girls Only Dynamos**, offering financial support for families where needed. Please contact: **Nick Byatt** [nickbyatt@googlemail.com](mailto:nickbyatt@googlemail.com)

**DYNAMOS  
CRICKET**



**Girls Only Dynamos  
Age 8-11 year old**

Power  
your  
play

[dynamoscricquet.co.uk](http://dynamoscricquet.co.uk)

**Join us at:**

Little Paxton CC  
Queen Elizabeth II Playing Field,  
Little Paxton PE19 6EY

**Session dates:**

Starts 6th May (8 weeks)

**Session timings:**

5.30-6.30 pm

**Contact:**

[littlepaxtoncc@gmail.com](mailto:littlepaxtoncc@gmail.com)



[Scan QR code or click here](http://dynamoscricquet.co.uk)

🌟 All Stars Cricket (Ages 5–8) 🌟

Looking for a fun, active way to get your child into cricket this summer? All Stars is the perfect introduction!

🏏 8-week programme

💷 £50

📁 Includes bat, ball, backpack & shirt

Each session is packed with games, skills and plenty of fun—perfect for beginners!

📍 Little Paxton CC

📅 Starts - 5:00pm til 5:45pm - Fri 8th May

👉 Sign up here: <https://tinyurl.com/LittlePAS26>



## May Half Term Activities



The poster features a blue header with the Twisters Gymnastics Club logo and the event title 'St Anne's Holiday Workshop' for the dates '26th & 29th May'. A red flower-shaped graphic says 'BOOKINGS NOW OPEN!'. Below the header is a photo of children in a gymnasium. The bottom section is split into two columns: the left column provides location, dates, and booking information, while the right column lists activities like gymnastics, dance, and arts & crafts.

**twisters**  
GYMNASTICS CLUB

### St Anne's Holiday Workshop

26<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> May

**BOOKINGS  
NOW  
OPEN!**

Where?  
Little Paxton Primary School,  
St Neots

When?  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> & Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May  
2.30pm - 4.30pm

Book:  
[admin@twistersgymnasticsclub.com](mailto:admin@twistersgymnasticsclub.com)

**ENJOY  
GYMNASTICS,  
DANCE, ACRO,  
ARTS & CRAFTS,  
FUN GAMES &  
ACTIVITIES!**

## Grafham Discovery Club



The poster shows a group of children in a yellow 'SUPER JUMBO' inflatable boat on a lake. The background features a boat house and trees. Text on the right side provides details about the holiday, including the price of £52 per person including lunch. The bottom left contains contact information for the Grafham Water Centre.

# DISCOVERY CLUB

**GWC**  
KIDS SCHOOL HOLIDAY

09:00 - 17:00  
AGE 8-16  
**£52**  
PER PERSON  
INCLUDING LUNCH

TUE 26 TO THUR 28 MAY 2026

[WWW.GRAFHAM-WATER-CENTRE.CO.UK](http://WWW.GRAFHAM-WATER-CENTRE.CO.UK)  
01480 379500

**GRAFHAM WATER CENTRE**  
RIDGEMAN, PERRY, PE28 0GW

# Primary Sports Stars Sports Camp

## PRIMARY SPORTS STARS

### May half term sports camp @ Buckden Primary

After seven successful camps, we're excited to announce the launch of our eighth 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 sport changes, 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: Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>
- 💰 Price: £25 for 1 day, £45 for 2 days and £60 for all 3 days!

**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...



# May Half Term Dance Camps

**TALENT**  
DANCE ACADEMY

**MAY HALF TERM  
DANCE CAMPS**

**MOVIE DANCE CAMP**

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May  
8.30am- 3.30pm  
EYFS to Year 6

**AT OFFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**DANCE CAMP**

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May  
8.30am- 3.30pm  
EYFS to Year 6

£29.00  
Per Camp



BOOK NOW AT  
[WWW.TALENTDANCEACADEMY.CO.UK](http://WWW.TALENTDANCEACADEMY.CO.UK)

# KidsRus May Camp

**May Half Term 2026**

**Tuesday 26th  
Action Adventures**  
Water gun painting  
Capture the flag  
Cardboard Ninja stars

**Wednesday 27th  
Wizardly World**  
Lemon Volcanos  
Slime making  
Broomstick races

**Thursday 28th  
Sensational Sports**  
Paper plate tennis  
Tasty energy balls  
Team sports day

For more information contact us at: [office@kidsrusoosc.com](mailto:office@kidsrusoosc.com)

To book go to: [kidsrus.magicbooking.co.uk](http://kidsrus.magicbooking.co.uk)

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.

# Crosshall May Camp

**MAY 2026 CAMPS**

**Tech-powered camps, packed with WOW experiences!**

**Example camp activities**  
Ages 8-11, Camps run 9 am - 4 pm

ROBOT LAB	3D PRINTING	ELECTRIC INVENTIONS	3D CREATIONS	ANIMATION
COOL CIRCUITS	CRAZY COOKING	3D PRINTING	MINICRAFT	VIRTUAL REALITY

**WOW EXPERIENCES**

ROBOTS	ANIMALS	STEMMING	SPORTS	3D PRINTING
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Activities vary by location, please visit our website to see what's running at your venue.

**WHAT TO EXPECT:**  
At Next Thing Education, our goals is to ignite curiosity, fuel creativity and empower young minds for the future. Blending hands-on tech exploration with unforgettable WOW experiences, our highly skilled, creative and passionate staff, led by STEM-qualified, friendly and supportive instructors, kids build confidence while diving into exciting activities, challenges, and real-life building adventures.

**£45 per day or £165 when you book all 4 days for just £162**

Crosshall Junior School, PE19 7GG  
26th - 29th May 2026  
[www.nextthing.education](http://www.nextthing.education)  
www.nextthing.education T: 01442 873150



# How to Catch a Book Witch

**St Neots Library** PE19 2BH  
**Wednesday 27 May**  
11am - 12pm (Doors 10.45am)

**Recommended for Families 4+ years and disabled / neurodivergent audiences of all ages**

Kira loves visiting the library but one day the words in the books start to disappear! Discover where these book monsters have come from...

**Tickets:** £4.50 each or £17 Group Saver (4 people)

For tickets and details visit:  
[www.library.live/the-library-presents](http://www.library.live/the-library-presents) or scan the QR code





# Intergenerational Chess Club

**St Neots Library**

**Tuesday 26th May, 13:00-16:00.**

Please join us for an afternoon of chess.

This relaxed club is suitable for all levels, including complete beginners and seasoned players.

**Age 7+ Adults and children welcome**

**(All children must be supervised at all times)**

**Drop in club, advanced booking is not required.**

**Contact for more information : [StNeots.Library@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:StNeots.Library@cambridgeshire.gov.uk)**

**Free event, donations welcome.**



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County Council

[www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/)

## British Theatre School - Summer Holiday Camp

New theatre course this summer in Bedford.

Camps take place 09:00 - 16:00 and are designed to improve children's confidence & public speaking skills with an end-of-week performance for parents with costumes, scenery and full tech.

Please view poster for more

information: [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1UBF3AWSnr639\\_5MIEqZmHML2k6piD-TI/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1UBF3AWSnr639_5MIEqZmHML2k6piD-TI/view?usp=sharing)

You can find out more about our upcoming event in Bedford here:

<https://www.britishtheatreschool.com>

Previously advertised events can be found on our website

Thanks for reading

