



PAXTON PRESS - 9th October 2026



YOUR WEEKLY "HELLO" FROM MISS O

Hello and happy Friday to our wonderful Little Paxton families,

I can't believe we are already at the end of week 6, two more to go before half term. It's been another busy week at Little Paxton with lots to tell you and lots to celebrate.

The children did a brilliant job on Monday with our fire drill. They were absolutely fantastic, and it was the best drill we have ever had. The children listened so well in assembly and then the drill ran so smoothly. We also had a visit from a potential new family in the afternoon. I really love showing families round our school, it always makes me feel so proud of our school community.

Tuesday was our Harvest Festival at St James' Church in Little Paxton. We had 3 services for each of our phases and the children were all so well behaved. The theme was we don't have to be big to do something wonderful. I loved the reminder that a little smile can cheer someone up and that little things can become wonderful things. The children sang and read beautifully, and I still have the Harvest Samba song stuck in my head. The children also took some gifts to the church as well. We are looking forward to taking our gifts to the Foodbank in the minibus today!

We had a VERY busy tour on Wednesday morning for families who are looking for the right school for their children for September 2027. It seems crazy that we are already doing tours for next year when our EYFS children have just started with us. It was really well attended and once again I felt very proud of our school and what we have to offer!

Thank you to those of you who have already voted in our parent governor election. If you want to have your say, you still have time to vote. The deadline is Wednesday 14th October at noon! Exciting times!

Something to look forward to, and to make you aware of, the new FINAL DAY FUNDRAISERS. At the end of every half term, we are going to do something which aims to raise money for the school for the extra lovely things we want to do with and for the children. The money from Thrive in 2025 has helped us to do so many things already and there is more to spend. On Thursday 22nd October the children can come to school wearing non school uniform for the bargain "fine" of £1. All the money that is raised will be used to enhance the children's experience at school. Children do not have to join in if they don't want to (remember to ensure what they're wearing is suitable for PE if it is a PE day).

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

Upper School - Isabelle (Sparrowhawk Class)

Lower School - Ella (Kite Class)

Well done to you both!

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

Team Paxton



We celebrated our amazing teachers today as part of World Teacher Appreciation Day. We are so thankful for each one of our incredible teachers and for the dedication they show to their job.

Our school would not be the same without them and I hope that they all realise how wonderful they are! Maybe there is something you are especially thankful for about one of our teachers that you could let them know about! We really do have the best team ever!



Whole School Parents' Evening Appointments



You should have all received an email on Wednesday 7th October to inform you that our Parents' Evening appointments can be booked from **6pm this evening Friday 9th October** and will close for booking on Thursday 22nd October.

Our whole school Parents' Evenings are being held on

Monday 19th October 3.30pm-5.40pm and Wednesday 21st October 3.40pm-7pm

We would like to invite you to attend our parents' evening sessions. All appointments are face to face. You can book your appointment using your Arbor app.

If you have not already registered, please register for Arbor following the instructions below

To create your account, you just need to set yourself a password. Your username is the email address we've sent this email to.

Go to <https://login.arbor.sc> and click **Forgot your password?** to finish setting up your account.

The Parent App can be downloaded from either the Playstore on android phones or the Apple Store on iPhones.

When you have made your appointments, you will be sent an email to confirm.

Appointments can ONLY be booked from 6.00pm on Friday 9th October until Thursday 22nd October at 9.00am. Should you have any problems when trying to book or need to make any changes or additions outside of these times, please contact the school office

Appointments for Jackdaws will be with Mr. Saxby on Monday and Mrs De Souza for Wednesday.

Appointments for Pigeons will be with Mrs Webb on Monday and Mrs Fairbairn on Wednesday.

On the evening enter the school via the front office and follow the signs to your appointment

Shout Out



At the weekend Amaya-Faith from Pigeon class took part in Dominica's Ti matador show in Tottenham, a cultural/traditional Dominican pageant.

She won the show, winning the hearts of the judges and the audience with her confidence and natural grace throughout the competition.

Well done Amaya-Faith what a star!



Ti Matador UK
2026 Contestant



AMAYA-FAITH PHILBERT



✦ **Bonjou, mwen ka patisipé an konpétisyon Ti Matador UK 2026** ✦

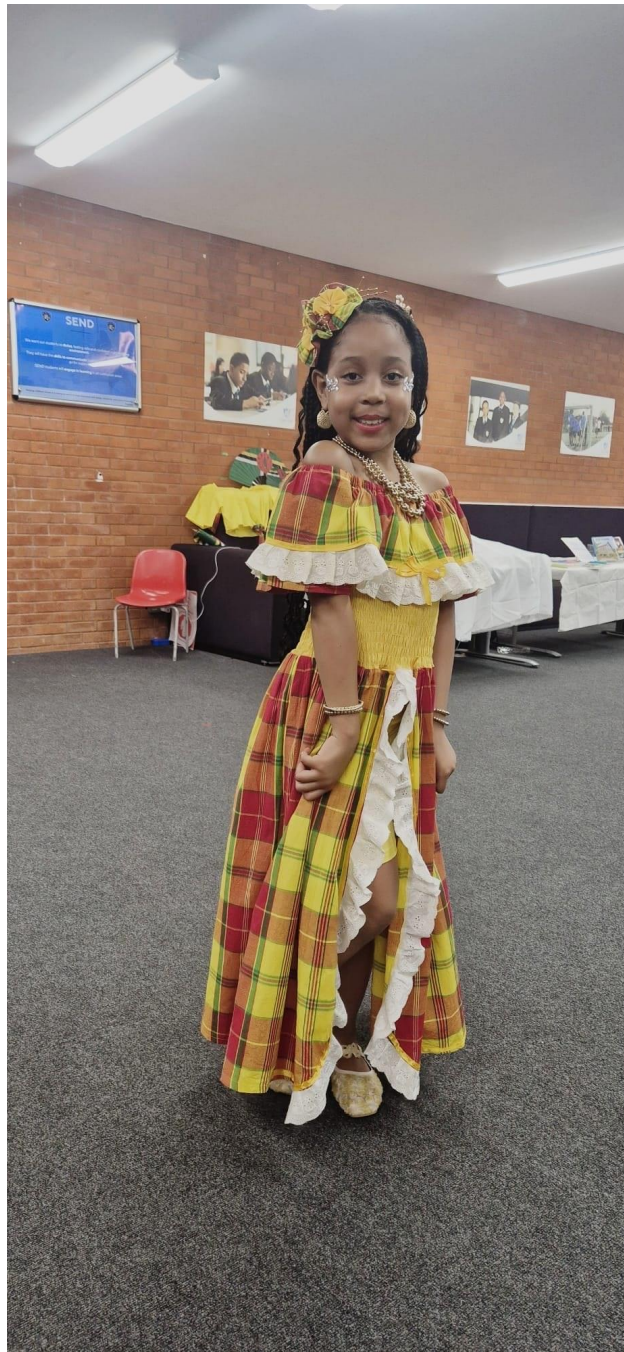
Hello friends, family and supporters I am excited to be participating in WCTI's Ti Matador UK 2026 Pageant. I will be representing **Loubiere, Dominica**. Please join us on Saturday 3 October for a wonderful show, your support will mean the world!



WCTI-2022@OUTLOOK.COM



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Little Paxton School Association (LPSA)



Thank you to those who attended our AGM earlier in the week.

We are pleased to confirm that we still have an LPSA and have kept the same key members:

Chair - Beccie Darlow (Year 6 parent and staff member)

Treasurer - Lulu Monti (Year 2 parent)

Secretary - Rachel Osborne (Year 1 parent)

Thank you to those members who have stayed and welcome to our new members Sophie and Lauren (EYFS parents)

If you would like to part of the team but couldn't make the meeting Wednesday please drop us a line at littlepaxtonsa@gmail.com or catch one of the key.

The class teams in school are busy helping us co-ordinate the Christmas artwork templates, order forms will be issued after half term.

Watch this space for booking our Autumn Term School disco on Friday 6th November this is also Non uniform Hamper Day- Bring a Xmas item to school to add to your class hamper (The best hamper wins a Class Prize)

Workers of the Week



1 - This half term we are celebrating being caring.

FOUNDATION

Lovely Lark - NOAH - has been so caring this week by helping his friends to make superheroes and showing them how to draw and cut them out. He is also so caring by letting his friends have a turn on the bikes whilst he waits his turn. Well done Noah!

Super Starling - OSCAR - Oscar has shown such a caring and thoughtful attitude this week. He is always looking for ways to help others and is ready to lend a helping hand whenever he can. Whether it is a big job or a small job, Oscar is always happy to help.

Well done, Oscar, for being such a kind, caring and helpful member of our class!

YEARS 1 AND 2

Wonderful Woodpecker – NIYEEM - for making us proud seeing his smiling face each morning. He is always caring towards adults and children in school. Well done Niyeem!

Marvelous Merlin - JAXXON - This is because I have noticed him being so caring to another child in Phonics. Not only did he help them with their writing in Phonics, he also encouraged them to keep going. Well done Jaxxon, keep being kind!

Clever Kite - ELODIE - A slightly different reason but super worthy for her excellent performance at the harvest festival, showing great bravery and confidence. Well done Elodie!

YEARS 3 AND 4

Remarkable Raven - MARKO - He is such a caring friend to others and is incredibly polite to everyone he speaks to. He also takes great pride and care in all of his learning! Well done Marko!

Brilliant Buzzard - OLIVER - because of how respectful he was during the Harvest Festival celebrations. This also included a heartwarming conversation where he spoke to the Vicar explaining how important Harvest time is especially for those who may not have much. You have been a real credit in the class sharing ideas to help support children within our English lessons. Fantastic effort!

Spectacular Sparrowhawk - MABEL - Mabel because she has taken such great care with her English work this week. Her handwriting has been beautiful and she has used our key vocabulary brilliantly.

YEAR 5

Ready Wren - HARRY - Harry cares immensely about his learning. His incredibly neat handwriting won him our first 'Perfect Page' award of the year, and he applies this keen attitude to every single lesson, every single day.

Perfect Pigeon - KAE LAN - because he has blown us away this term with his phenomenal attitude to school. His hard work, concentration skills and the care he has taken over his work has impressed and amazed us. Well done Kaelan!

YEAR 6

Dedicated Dove - JULIETTE - is our worker of the week because she is such a caring member of the class. She is always willing to help out and offer support when needed. Juliette also takes pride in the presentation of her work and the Year 6 team are really proud of the progress she is making. Keep up the great effort!

Jubilant Jackdaw - ELIJAH - for always caring about his learning and always giving 100%. We are so impressed with how you organise yourself, listen and how you always start a learning task independently by listening well to instructions. Well done Elijah!

Housekeeping

Can you help us find a new cleaner?

Would you like to join the team here in school. We have a very hard working and diligent cleaning team who need an extra pair of hands for 2.5 hours after school on Monday and Friday. There is a little bit of flexibility with start time but the shift would need to be finished by 6pm.

If you are interested please take a look on the website where you can find the job description and application form. Or if you want to find out more please pop into the office and ask to speak to Mrs Gatward or email HR@littlepaxton.cambs.sch.uk. If you have any friends who might be interested please feel free to share. We are looking for someone to start as soon as possible, once the appropriate checks have been completed.

IMPORTANT! Dates to remember



October

Tuesday 13th - Individual Photo Day - Staff and Children. Out of school sibling photos between 8am -8.40am - **Please book a slot with the school office**

Monday 19th - Parents Evening in person 3.40pm -5pm - (Appointments Via Arbor, **open 6pm Friday 9th October**)

Wednesday 21st - Parents Evening in person 3.40pm-7pm - (Appointments Via Arbor, **open 6pm Friday 9th October**)

Thursday 22nd - Final Day Fundraiser! - **Non Uniform Day, £1.00 fine to class teacher.**

Friday 23rd - Staff Training Day - **School Closed**

Monday 26th - Friday 30th - Half Term - **School Closed**

November

Friday 6th - Non uniform Hamper Day- Bring a Xmas item to school to add to your class hamper (The best hamper wins a Class Prize)

Friday 6th- School disco all years **EYFS/Year 1 & Year 2 -4pm-4.45pm** Year 3 & Year 4 - 5pm-5.45pm **Year 5 & Year 6- 6pm-7pm**

Thursday 12th- Hilltop Parents Information Meeting- 6pm (Virtual meeting link will be sent via dojo)

Wednesday 18th-Parent Drop in all years 3.20pm-4pm (meet by the garden area)

Wednesday 18th- Parent information evening 6pm onwards (Our Curriculum)

Friday 20th - Children in Need day Non Uniform (bring a donation for Children In Need)

Wednesday 25th - Send Parents Evening 3.30-5pm in person, invites will be sent out

Monday 30th - Staff Training Day - **School Closed**

Dates may be subject to change.

Events and clubs for you



TALENT DANCE ACADEMY

I am delighted to be able to invite your child along to the Talent Dance Academy, After School Musical Theatre Club at Little Paxton Primary School

In Autumn Term 2 we are very lucky to be able to offer your child the exciting opportunity to attend our club!

Children will get the chance to learn a routine to a popular song, use our props and costumes, learn new tricks and skills and play dance based games within their lessons and put on a mini performance for you at the end of the half term.

Children will meet their coach in the hall with all their belongings.

We ask that you officially sign up your child with us before you send them to the club.

Watching week will be on Tuesday 8th December

Club	Cost	Times	Day & Dates	Venue & Coach
Musical Theatre Year 1 to 6	6 weeks £36.00	3.15pm- 4.15pm Collection from School Office	Tuesdays 3 rd November to the 8 th December	Hall Miss Harriet

There are some pupil premium funded spaces available for our clubs!

Please get in contact with the office for more information and assistance before you book.

A code will then be issued to you to input into the website, to help with the cost.

HOW TO APPLY

Please go to www.talentedanceacademy.co.uk and follow the "Book Now" instructions online.

Places are limited so it is essential you book and pay online!

Children will need to bring a PE/ Dance kit and trainers with them.

If you would like more information about our clubs, or are having difficulty with signing up online, please email talentedanceacademy@hotmail.co.uk and we will be more than happy to answer any questions and assist you.

You can go to our website www.talentedanceacademy.co.uk or also find us on Facebook "Talent Dance Academy".

Here you will find lots of useful information and also our up-and-coming camps, and events.

Many thanks and we are very excited to welcome your child to our club!

Charlotte Cooney
Head Coach

PRIMARY SPORTS STARS

AUTUMN 2 AFTER-SCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS

@ LITTLE PAXTON PRIMARY

Join us for another exciting half term of after-school sport in a welcoming, inclusive environment. Fun, active sessions led by qualified coaches to help children build confidence, stay active and enjoy sport.

CLUB TIMETABLE

TUESDAY	HOCKEY
WEDNESDAY	FOOTBALL
THURSDAY	MULTISPORT
FRIDAY	BASKETBALL

AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS
3:15 – 4:15pm

£6 per session

CLUB INFORMATION

- Primary school aged children
- Qualified coaches
- Inclusive sessions
- Build confidence
- Fun, friends & fitness

Further clubs may be added in the future.

BOOK NOW!



SCAN TO BOOK YOUR PLACE!

If you signed up for re-enrollment, check your emails for confirmation.

Book here:
www.primarysportsstarscambridge.co.uk/clubs-camps

Email:
psscambsnorth@gmail.com

TALENT

Dance & Gymnastics Academy

HALLOWEEN DANCE & GYMNASTICS CAMPS

AT: OFFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

COST: £29.00 PER CAMP

FOR: EYFS TO YEAR 6

TIME: 8.30AM - 3.30PM

DANCE - MONDAY 26TH OCTOBER

GYMNASTICS - TUESDAY 27TH OCTOBER

BOOKING AT
WWW.TALENTDANCEACADEMY.CO.UK



PRIMARY SPORTS STARS

BUCKDEN OCTOBER CAMP

THEMED DAYS AT A GLANCE

TUESDAY 27TH OCTOBER – MEGA SPORTS DAY

- Classic camp favourites
- Football, dodgeball, archery, tennis and team games
- Fun challenges, competitions and prizes
- A great day to settle in, get active and enjoy the camp

WEDNESDAY 28TH OCTOBER – HALLOWEEN SPORTS CHALLENGE

- Monster dodgeball
- Pumpkin points challenge
- Ghost tag
- Haunted obstacle course
- Optional Halloween colours or sporty fancy dress

THURSDAY 29TH OCTOBER – OLYMPICS DAY

- Children compete in teams
- Points earned across the day
- Sprint races, relays and target events
- Team challenges and a medal-style finale

A TYPICAL CAMP DAY

08:30 – 09:00	Arrival
09:00 – 10:30	Morning sports sessions
10:30 – 11:00	Morning break
11:00 – 12:30	Mid morning sports sessions
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch
13:30 – 15:00	Afternoon sports session
15:00 – 15:30	Prize giving and pickup

SCAN TO BOOK



SCAN THE QR CODE TO BOOK YOUR PLACE!

Buckden Primary | **08:30 – 15:30 each day** | **£30 per day or £80 for all 3 days** | **Only 30 spaces each day**

Book here: www.primarysportsstarscambridge.co.uk/clubs-camps

Email: psscambsnorth@gmail.com

PRIMARY SPORTS STARS

2026 OCTOBER SPORTS CAMP

@ BUCKDEN PRIMARY

After ten successful camps, we're excited to launch our eleventh at Buckden Primary! Open to primary school aged children, our camp is the perfect way to stay active, make friends and enjoy three exciting themed days, with daily competitions and prizes!

3 THEMED DAYS | ONLY 30 SPACES EACH DAY

THEMED DAYS

- Tuesday 27th October
MEGA SPORTS DAY
- Wednesday 28th October
HALLOWEEN SPORTS CHALLENGE
- Thursday 29th October
OLYMPICS DAY

CAMP INFORMATION

- Buckden Primary
- Primary school aged children
- 08:30AM – 3:30PM
- Tuesday 27th – Thursday 29th October
- £30 per day or £80 for all 3 days

BOOK NOW!



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PRIMARY SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN

08:30AM – 3:30PM

DAILY COMPETITIONS & PRIZES

QUALIFIED COACHES

FUN, FRIENDS & FITNESS

Book here: www.primarysportsstarscambridge.co.uk/clubs-camps

Email: psscambsnorth@gmail.com

Education Inclusion Family Advisor Online drop-in sessions

October 2026

30-minute bookable appointment slots available throughout the day on

**Thursday 8th October
and
Monday 19th October**



Use one of the following to book a 1:1 meeting with your
EIFA via Microsoft Teams
Email katie.smith@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

[EIFA support request consent form for Katie Smith – Fill in form](#)



Education Inclusion Family Advisors offer you an opportunity to ask for information, advice and support on any issue affecting your family life in a relaxed and confidential environment. These areas include:

- Challenging behaviour
- Routines
- Supporting emotions and wellbeing
- School transitions
- Parenting strategies
- Building resilience and confidence
- Any other family challenges you might be facing

Education Inclusion Family Advisor Online workshop

Managing Mealtimes workshop

Finding mealtimes challenging and stressful?

This workshop will cover building and creating positive food experiences, increasing successful mealtimes and how we can keep calm, manage emotions and respond positively to our children at mealtimes.



Thursday 22nd October 2026
12.00 – 13.30

Please sign up by clicking on the link or scanning the QR code and completing the registration form.

[Managing Mealtimes EIFA workshop](#)



Links to these workshops will be immediately sent out after completing your request to join.

Handouts will be sent to attendees after the workshop has ended.

If you experience any difficulties in signing up for these workshops, please email your EIFA katie.smith@cambridgeshire.gov.uk who can assist you further.

If you are looking for information, advice and support on any issue affecting your family life, please email your EIFA to request a 1:1 appointment.

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ST NEOTS OCTOBER FOOTBALL CAMP

OCTOBER 26-29

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Norwich City Football Development October Half term holiday camps are open for children from 5 - 14.

Please find the booking link here - <https://www.abler.io/shop/ncfcd/holidaycamps>



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