



Menu (w/c 13 July)

Week 1

Monday 13th July

9am – deadline to sign up for Junior disco

Y3/6 Swim

2.45pm – Parents invited to “Meet the teacher” talk.

Tuesday 14th July

Y2 visit Wicken Fen

Y6 Visit Notley Skyropes

Wednesday 15th July

Menu change today – Turkey instead of chicken.

Year 1 Swim

Junior School Disco

Year 3&4 – 4.15-5.15.

Year 5&6 – 5.15-6.15

Thursday 16th July

9.00am – Year 2 Celebration Assembly

Friday 17th July

Year 6 leavers assembly – 1.30pm

End of Term – School finishes at 2.00pm

Dear Parents/Carers

This week in School:

This school year has been packed with activity, learning, and plenty of fun. From exciting trips and creative projects to special events and everyday achievements, our pupils have given it their all.

As we send our final newsletter of the school year and bid a final farewell to our wonderful Year Six children and some of their families. I am filled with pride and gratitude for the remarkable journey we have embarked on together. They have all achieved so much during their time with us and are ready to embark on their new chapter. We will miss you all so much!

Thanks to the hard work of our staff and support from families, it's been a fantastic year. Here's to an even better one ahead!



Monday 13th July– Meet the teacher!

On Monday 13th July children will spend the afternoon in their classes for next year with their new teachers. At 2.45pm parents are invited to come into school to meet their child's new teacher for next year and they will talk you through key points for the next academic year. If you have more than one child, we recommend that you attend the meeting of your eldest child. We will send an email out on the morning of Monday 13th July informing you of your child's class for next year and where to come when you come to meet the teacher. Please note the process of sending this out does take time as we have to do it manually so if you have multiple children, please don't be surprised if there is a gap between emails.

Summer Reading Challenge – at Saffron Walden Library

Around 52% of children experience a drop in reading progress over the summer, and this can mean they lose up to 20% of reading gains made during the previous school year. However, reading just five books over the summer holiday can lead to four months of reading progress. For these reasons, we urge you to encourage as many children as possible to do the Summer Reading Challenge - Read to the Beat - which asks participants to aim at reading six books over the summer, as well as offering an interesting range of related activities and events. [More about the Summer Reading Challenge in Essex.](#)

Last year our infant school won the trophy for the most participants – let's see if we can keep the cup!! **Infant Reading books will be collected in on Monday 13th.**

Children can still access big club over the summer and there's the library reading challenge too!



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Clubs & Squads

Before the end of term, we will be sending out information about our clubs and sports squads for the Autumn Term. Bookings will open on the INSET Day, Tuesday 1st September.

Please make sure you read the letters carefully when you receive them, as we will be unable to answer queries regarding clubs and squads during the summer holidays. All the information you need, including booking details, dates, and arrangements, will be included in the letter.

Medicines

We kindly ask that all parents collect their child's medication (EpiPens/inhalers etc) on the last day of term. If your child will be attending ACE over the summer, please ensure that all required medication is brought with you when they attend. All medicines should then be returned to the school office on the first day back in September.

As a reminder, children with asthma must provide the school with a Personalised Asthma Action Plan (PAAP). This can be obtained from your GP or asthma clinic. We kindly request that all plans are submitted by September. By sharing this information now, we hope this gives families sufficient time to arrange this in readiness for the new school term.

Please also note that no medication should be brought into school in children's bags. All medicines must be handed in via the school office and a form completed. School staff are only able to administer medication that has been prescribed by a GP and is clearly labelled with the child's name and dosage instructions. This ensures the safety of all pupils and helps protect our staff. If a child needs antibiotics and the dose is 3 times per day, we would expect this to be given at home (unless the child attends Ace club). For antibiotics prescribed to be taken 4 times per day we can administer one dose (or 2 if children are at Ace).

Tesco Blue Token Scheme

We're delighted to share that we have been selected as part of Tesco's Blue Token Scheme!

From 3rd August until the end of November, if you're shopping at either Tesco in Saffron Walden, please consider supporting us by voting with your blue token. Every token helps us raise funds towards launching a cookery club for children with additional needs within our school. The club will provide a fun, inclusive environment where children can develop practical life skills, build confidence, and enjoy learning together through cooking.

Thank you for your support – your vote can make a real difference to our pupils!

Lost Property & Forgotten items

We are finding more and more unnamed waterbottles, snack pots and items of clothing. If an item is not named we cannot return it back to the child. Unnamed items will be donated to our preloved uniform bank or thrown away. Please name everything! If you need to purchase stickers for your child's belongings we recommend Stikins where a % back to our school. The website is <https://www.stikins.co.uk/> The fundraising code to enter is **10784**.

INFANT SCHOOL

Year 2 Celebration Assembly – Thursday 16th July 9.00am

The Year 2 Celebration Assembly will take place in the Infant Hall on Thursday 16th July at 9:00am.

Parents and carers of children in Year 2 are warmly invited to attend. Pre-school siblings are welcome; however, due to limited seating, they must sit on their parent or carer's lap. Please note that buggies and pushchairs will need to be left outside the hall.

Unfortunately, due to space restrictions, we are unable to accommodate additional family members. We kindly ask that you respect this arrangement, as the same policy applies to all families.

The assembly will last no longer than 30 minutes. We look forward to celebrating with you.





JUNIOR SCHOOL

Junior School Disco

The Junior school End of Term discos take place on Wednesday 15th July. Year 3 & 4 takes place from 4-5pm and Year 5 & 6 from 5.15 – 6.15pm. All children must be collected by an adult at the end of the disco (unless Y3/4 children are going back to ACE afterwards). The cost is £4.00 and this includes an ice lolly. There will also be a pocket money stall selling disco accessories & tuck shop items. The children may bring a maximum of £2 to spend or you can pay this via SchoolMoney.

Tickets/pocket money MUST be booked by 9am on Monday 13th July on SchoolMoney. This is to give us time to print the fire registers – we will be unable to accept any bookings after this date/time and children not booked in will not be able to attend.

PE/CLUBS/SQUADS INFO

Squads and Wet weather

Just a reminder that if it is raining on a morning the following clubs/squads will be cancelled (as we do not have an indoor space available). We will not send an email out about this as it will be too early – but if it is raining please assume the clubs below will be cancelled.

Monday – Rounders Y3/4

Tuesday – Netball Squad

Wednesday – Netball Squad

Thursday – Tennis Y3/4

Friday – Netball & Tennis Y5/6

FUNDRAISING

Summer Term Scootathon – new date Sunday 20th September

Due to the hot weather expected at the weekend we have made the decision to postpone the Scootathon. It has been moved to Sunday 20th September. We will send out a new form in September for volunteers to sign up and help.

Kind regards

Julie Puxley

Executive Headteacher

