



Cedars Park Primary School School Newsletter

Thursday 28th March 2024

Notable Dates

Fri 29th March - Thurs 11th April - Easter Holidays

Fri 12th April - PD Day

Monday 15th April - Pupils return to school for Summer Term

Tues 16th April - Year 3 Framlingham Castle

Wed 17th April - Year 1 Phonics Information evening, 6-6.30pm

Thurs 2nd May - Year 5 Sharing Assembly

Mon 6th May - Bank Holiday

Mon 13th - Thurs 16th May - Year 6 SATs

Wed 22nd May - EYFS Trip to Jimmy's Farm

Mon 27th - Fri 31st May - Half Term

Wed 19th June - Year 6 Crucial Crew

Lunch Menu w/c 15th April

Monday
Pizza or Jacket Potato

Tuesday
Mac & Cheese or Jacket Potato

Wednesday
Roast Gammon or Vegan Sausage or Jacket Potato

Thursday
Chicken Burger or Jacket Potato

Friday
Fish Fingers or Veggie Nuggets or Jacket Potato

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last Saturday saw an incredible turnout for the PTA's Chocolate Bingo. A ginormous £955 was raised! Not only did the PTA give away 11 amazing chocolate hampers in the raffle, families walked away from the event with bags full of chocolate and big smiles on their faces. On behalf of the PTA and the school, we are immensely grateful for all the support and generosity of our parents and carers—thank you for making it such a huge success. All money raised by the PTA goes directly towards offering our pupils further enriching experiences during their time at school.



This term, we enjoyed Science week in school. In Reception, children brought in a photograph of themselves as babies prompting lots of questions and discussion. They focussed on how much they had changed!



Year 1 worked like scientists by investigating what happens to materials over time. They made predictions about what might happen to materials and then buried some in the ground! Meanwhile, Year 3 tested the speed of toy cars against different surfaces and investigated the force of these surfaces.

Year 5 participated in a Science Sleepover event. The day began with a 'rocket-building' session with a local STEM Ambassador who trained the pupils to create their own paper rockets. These were propelled into the air from four pressurised launchers in the playground.



Children then returned to school in the evening for astronaut training, a lecture about stars and a team-building 'Mars Lander' activity. This was followed by some time outside spotting constellations—and sipping hot chocolate before enjoying a sleepover at school!

The last two weeks have certainly been full of some fantastic experiences for the children—who, along with staff—are now eagerly anticipating a well-earned Easter break!

With best wishes for the holiday,
Miss Suhail
Headteacher



Parking

Please remember to park courteously at drop off and pick up times.



The Community Centre can be used for parking at these busy times.

Please also be reminded that the staff car park is strictly for staff use only.

Wear a Hat Day

An enormous £365.86 was raised today in aid of Brain Tumour Awareness.

Thank you for supporting this fantastic cause, close to our school community's heart.

The Blank Page Project

Suffolk Libraries are running free sessions for 10-16 year olds throughout the Easter holidays with all sorts of creative activities— check them out [here](#).

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Information evening

Join us on Wednesday 17th April at 6pm for information on the Phonics Screening Check which all pupils in Year 1 take in June. All Year 1 parents are welcome—you'll pick up lots of tips on how to help your child with phonics at home!

No Nuts!

Please remember we are a nut free school.



New Menu

New menus for school lunches will be in place for the start of the Summer term.

Please also be advised that the cost of school lunches will see a small increase to £2.40 from the start of May.

No Smoking

A reminder to parents that smoking is not permitted on school grounds.



This includes vaping.
Thank you.

Junior Road Safety Officer Competition

The JRSO members for Cedars Park are running their first competition, open to all pupils in the school. They are to design a road safety jacket which would keep the wearer safe and noticeable by drivers/cyclists. They can choose whatever theme they would like. The jackets will then be assessed by the JRSO team and each class will have a winner. Those winners will be able to collect a prize from the Cormorant classroom.

Please return all entries to Mr Johnson by the first Thursday back after the Easter break (18th April) so the JRSO members can judge them and prepare to make the winners announcements!



Cedars Stars

Well done to most recent Cedars Stars!

Reception Malachi BD Luke C Isabella M Penny C Eve A Toby L	Year 1 Arthur K Moy I Bobby L Henry V Aria F Zak T-B	Year 2 Freddie G Evelyn M Poppy S Ethan M Isla G P Isaac S
Year 3 Logan J Daniel N Dylan B Leon F Phoebe P Harry H	Year 4 Emily L Mila B Amelia W Fletcher E Gabe B Noah C	Year 5 Freddie W Harry G Belle P Maxine J Summer C Navaeh E
Year 6 Eli F Bekim S Sophia C Charlie F Logan S Nicole G		

Local Improvement Board Recruitment

We are seeking to recruit members to our Local Boards who can bring experience and contribute to the support and challenge operating in our schools.

Local Board members will attend at least one meeting per term and take part in agreed school visits focusing on specific areas such as Pupil Premium, SEND and safeguarding. Feedback from members will contribute to an evidence-base for self-evaluation and school improvement and the Trust will offer training and support to help Local Board members fulfil their roles successfully.

If you are interested in becoming a Local Board member, you can find further information on the Trust's [website](#) along with an application form.

Attendance

Good attendance to school supports pupils' attainment and well-being.

This week's attendance was as follows:

Reception: 98.10%
Year 1: 96.01%
Year 2: 91.90%
Year 3: 96.59%
Year 4: 95.00%
Year 5: 92.11%
Year 6: 90.79%

Well done to Year R for having the highest attendance!

Class Cookies



Well done to Swallow Class in Year 3 for having the highest attendance last week—100%!