



# Cedars Park Primary School School Newsletter

Monday 30th October 2023

## Notable Dates

**Wed 1st Nov** - Individual and Siblings Photos

### **New Reception Open Events**

Thurs 2nd Nov 6pm—7pm  
Wed 8th Nov 9am—11am  
Wed 8th Nov 6pm—7pm  
Thurs 9th Nov 9am—11am  
More information to follow

**Tues 7th Nov** - Year 5 Bawdsey Manor Information Evening, 5—5.30pm

**Tues 7th Nov** - EYFS Maths information evening, 6—6.30pm

**Wed 8th & Thurs 9th Nov** — Skipping Workshops

**Tues 14th Nov** - PTA AGM 6.30—7.30pm

**Tues 21st Nov** Flu Vaccinations

**Fri 24th Nov** - Year 6 Duxford

**Wed 20th Dec** - End of term

## Lunch Menu w/c 30th Oct

### **Monday**

Pepperoni Pizza or Tomato & Basil Pasta

### **Tuesday**

Sausage Roll or Vegan Roll

### **Wednesday**

Roast Gammon or Roast Quorn Fillet

### **Thursday**

Chicken Fajita Wrap or Bean Burger in a Roll

### **Friday**

Chicken Goujons or Fish Finger Bap

Jacket Potatoes are available everyday.

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you had a wonderful half term break. It was lovely to welcome the children back to school this morning for the second half of the Autumn term.

As always, we are very busy at school! Before the half term break, Year 3 had a fantastic Stone Age Day with visitors from Portals to the Past. The children had dressed up brilliantly for the occasion—thank you to parents and carers for their help with this—it really brings the day to life!



Dan Shadrake, the main actor and historian, who worked with the children throughout the day, commented on how well the children engaged with the activities. Behaviour was impeccable, as always, and he was also most impressed with the level of knowledge the children had. In turn, the children were very impressed when he informed them that he had worked for the BBC as part of their Horrible Histories TV series!

Last half term's book fair was once again a huge success. An ENORMOUS **£1871.10** was raised—thank you so much for supporting the book fair! Around 60% of the commission earned is spent back in school on new books. With this funding, we are hoping to replenish the class libraries with lots of new and interesting reads for the children.

Many pupils in Year 5 successfully completed Level 1 and 2 of their Bikeability training. This now means that they have proven themselves to be safe road users when cycling—well done to all children that took part!

Year 5 also surprised pupils in Reception by paying a visit with the pop-up story books they had made during their DT lessons. The older pupils loved the opportunity to visit our youngest learners in school and share their work!

Finally, I am thrilled to share that our UKS2 girls' football team recently won the U11 Girls' Football Tournament at Stowupland High School, beating out teams from Bacton, Bosmere, Elmswell, Creeting and Abbots Hall Primaries! They will now be moving onto the next stage at the Suffolk Finals on 30th November at Needham Football Club (time to follow in due course!)



Well done, girls!

With best wishes for the week ahead,

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.



## No Nuts!

Please remember we are a nut free school.



## A note from the Trust Board

On Friday 20th October, the John Milton Academy Trust said farewell to Chief Executive, Karen Grimes, who has retired following a near 40-year career in education.

Trustees, Local Board Members, former and current staff across the Trust said goodbye at an event on Thursday 19th at the John Milton Sixth Form Centre.

Karen said: "It has been an enormous privilege to have led JMAT since its formation in September 2016.

"I am very proud of what has been achieved by the Trust – our schools have all flourished over the years, providing excellent learning facilities for children in the area.

"I am particularly delighted that Cedars Park Primary School received a 'good' rating by Ofsted inspectors last term – this was very well deserved and a just reflection of everyone's hard work and commitment. The staff and pupils should be very proud of what they have achieved."

The Trust Board has appointed Mr Shaun Common as interim CEO.

He has already visited Cedars Park several times and is really looking forward to working with everyone after the half-term holiday.



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## Cedars Stars

Well done to our most recent Cedars Stars!

Reception	Year 1	Year 2
Libby C	Robson B	Maverick N
Thea B	Roman G	Rylee R
Ella G	Nevraeh S	Scarlett D
Damien Q	Oscar B	Mylor R
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Leon F	Ellie B	Lucy H-C
Ollie B	Noah-James W	Grace B
Alice S	Afrem D	Madeleine H
Lily O	Daisy C	Alfred A
Year 6		
Ruby A		
Carmen W		
Riley J		
Jessica S		

## New Reception Intake: September 2024

### Open Events for Prospective Parents

We are holding two open evenings and two open mornings for parents with children looking to start school in September 2024.

The sessions will take place as follows:

- Open Evening: 2nd November 2023 - 6pm - 7pm
- Open Morning: 8th November 2023 - 9am - 11am
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- Open Morning: 9th November 2023 - 9am - 11am

During the Open Mornings, parents will have the opportunity to take tours of the school—led by members of our School Council and House Captains.

Book your sessions [here!](#)

## Arbor: Consents



Please ensure that all consents—particularly for photographs taken in school—have been updated.

Please also check that we have your most up-to-date address, as well as any other personal details such as contact numbers.



**Arbor**

If you need any help with this, please contact the school office.

## New Website and Facebook Page

In our efforts to continually find ways to improve our communication with parents, you may have noticed that our school website was recently updated.

Another new change is that we now have a page on Facebook too! Access to the school's official Facebook page can be found via the website and is also linked to our official Instagram page!

Please bear with us as we get started on these platforms. In time, we hope to use these forms of communication to keep you up to date with messages from the school office, as well as what's going on at school!

## Class Cookies



Well done to Kestrels in Year 4 for having the highest attendance this week—100%!

## Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

Year 6 House Captains will be selling poppies (and other items!) each break and lunchtime starting from tomorrow.

Children can therefore bring their donations into school in order to support this worthy cause.



## Vacancies

We are currently recruiting for the position of Mid-day Supervisory Assistant. Please ask the school office for an application form if you are interested in joining our fantastic lunchtime team!