

WEEKLY NEWS

From the Headteacher: 14th October 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

How time flies . . . It was just over a week ago, when we closed the doors for the final time to our temporary accommodation at Brigstock Road and moved to our new purpose built permanent site on London Road. We are thrilled and excited to be in the new building which offers our school community what it deserves – the very best educational facilities in a modern, purpose-built building for our children along with the opportunity for our staff to embed an environment in which the children will flourish.

We would like to thank all our parents, families and friends who have supported us patiently in this venture. This wonderful provision will let us grow and flourish.

A Love of Reading: At Paxton, we instil a love of reading. We know that reading is an essential skill for life, which is why we read at school every day and encourage our families to do the same at home.

Last week the children bought home their Reading Folder. Inside was an 'Individual Reading Book' and a 'Wider Reading Book'. Please remember to bring the reading folder in to school each day.

Since the start of the school year, we have invested in a large library of texts to ensure that your child makes good progress in reading.

Please note: Any books that are lost or significantly damaged will result in a charge of £5 per book. Lost reading Diaries will result in a charge of £5.

School Tours and School Dinner Tastings

After the October half term, we will be organising school tours to celebrate our new partnership with Pabulum;

our catering team, and offering food taster sessions on the same day. **Tour dates below need to be booked in advance by contacting the office.**

Reception: Tuesday 10th November @ 10.30a.m
Year 1 – Wednesday 11th November @ 10.30a.m
Year 2 – Thursday 12th November @ 10.30a.m
Year 3 – Tuesday 17th November @ 10.30a.m
Year 4 – Wednesday 18th November @ 10.30a.m
Year 5 – Thursday 19th November @ 10.30a.m
Year 6 – Friday 29th November @ 10.30am

Student Data Sheets

At Paxton, the safety of our children is paramount. One of the ways we do this is to ensure we have up to date contact details and information. This week, we will send home pupil data sheets.

We need you to check that the information we hold about your child is up to date. We also require that parents provide three separate contact numbers, including their own, in case we need to get hold of you (or nominated contact(s) should an emergency situation arise.

Please check and complete the pupil data sheet and return it to the school reception office by **Friday 16th October**. If the information is correct and there are no changes please, sign and return the sheet to confirm that it is accurate.

Free School Meals

Last week, a letter went out with full details of how we can check your child's entitlement to Free School Meals on your behalf. If you have not yet managed to check, please take 5 minutes to read the letter to make sure that you are not missing out. You can also find out whether your child qualifies using the link below <https://pps.lgfl.org.uk/>

School Photographs : Monday 19th October

On Monday 19th October, our school photographer, Carmel Jane Photography, will be attending Paxton to take individual and sibling portraits.

Please note: Parents MUST pre register before Monday 19th October, to gain quick access to their children's photographs and the opportunity to purchase them. To do this, you will need to go to:

www.carmeljaneshop.co.uk and enter the following code: **JRGMMUE**

To pre register you will need to create an account using your email address and your child's full register name. Once completed, you will receive an automatic email notification informing you when your child's photos are ready to be viewed and purchased.

All orders will be sent straight to your home address free of charge within a 2 week window.

After School Care Provision (Youngstars)



Well done to all the parents who have managed to log on to Youngstars to find out more about our new afterschool care providers and book a space.

Children from Reception to Year 6 will be able to join Youngstars and take part in a range of engaging activities each afternoon between 3:15pm and 5:30pm.

To find out more and take advantage of the introductory offer of just £5 per session, please click the link below and book a spaces while they are still available.

<http://www.young-stars.co.uk/schools/>
or call 07749 343116

Sports Attack Academy



**SPORTS
ATTACK
ACADEMY**

With less than 10 school days to go until the October half term, assuming there are no confirmed cases of COVID-19, we are looking forward to

introducing After School Clubs. Coach Dre, from Sports Attack Academy, will be running a number of clubs starting on Monday 2nd November **from 3:15pm until 4:30pm each night during the week @ £5 per session.**

Mondays: Multi sports – £5 per session in two separate bubbles as follows:
Years 1 + 2 and Years 3 + 4

Tuesdays: Multi sports – £5 per session
Years 5 + 6

Wednesdays: Football – £5 per session in two separate bubbles as follows:
Years 1 + 2 and Years 3+4

Thursdays: Paxton football team training – FREE (trials for football team 12th Nov)

Fridays: Football – £5 per session
Years 5+6

Booking Details

Payments will need to be made via bank transfers in advance. Please contact the below to make bookings and payments

sportsattackacademy@gmail.com
tele: 07462419194

Autumn Half Term

Monday 26th – Friday 30th October

Please note: There is NO Inset day on Friday 23rd October, as previously published. Children will return to school for the Autumn 2 term on Monday 2nd November.

Secondary School Applications – Year 6

The **closing date** for the Secondary 2021 applications is **the 31st October 2020**, this means parents have just over two weeks to submit their applications to make sure they are on time. If you would like some help or support in completing the online application, please speak to a member of the office team who will be able to help.

Attendance



Last week our rate of attendance for the school was 93.1% vs our target of 97.0%. It is getting better but we have some way to go. A big well done to our Year 1's who achieved 100% attendance last week. Come on Paxton - we can do this.

Class	Attendance
Reception	95.7%
Year 1	100%
Year 2	87.2%
Year 3	94.4%
Year 3/4	94.4%
Year 4	91.7%
Year 5	94.5%
Year 6	89.0%
Totals	93.1%