

WEEKLY NEWS

From the Headteacher: 15th October 2021

Dear Parents and Families,

Autumn Term 1

With only five school days to go before the end of the Autumn Term 1, we have so much to celebrate. Since September, the children have filled the corridors with smiles and sounds of laughter.

Last week marked our first year at London Road. Both in and outside the classroom, the staff have created a positive and purposeful environment which empowers the children to be confident, articulate individuals who have a love for learning.

If you did not manage to attend the first parent tour, the next one is on Thursday 4th November at 9am.

Reflecting Realities

Yesterday, Miss Bryan, Miss Linke and myself were able to attend the Centre for Literacy in Primary Education (CLPE) to mark the start of our three-year Reflecting Realities project.



Throughout the project, carefully selected authors, poets and illustrators of colour will work alongside teachers from 10 schools to share their experiences and books with the children.

Back in Paxton, staff will continue to enrich the curriculum through quality text which have been handpicked to provide the children with the opportunity to experience and enjoy books where they can identify themselves in titles, celebrate their differences and learn about their heritage.

What's on the Menu?

On Tuesday 2nd November, Pabulum will launch their new menu. Filled with all things yum, the three weekly cycle provides the children with a daily freshly cooked, healthy balanced, meal.

After the success of Favourites Day, and the fact that the days are getting colder, to help celebrate the new menu and hopefully save parents hours of preparation, we have made the decision to reduce the price of a school meal to **£2:35 per day** starting on Tuesday 2nd November.

If your child has a dietary need or currently has a packed lunch and you would like to discuss them having a school meal, please speak to Charmaine in the school office.

Parents Evening

On **Wednesday 17th November**, we will hold our first parents meeting. From **2:30pm – 6:45pm**, parents will have the opportunity to meet with their child's class teacher to celebrate their children's progress so far and discuss their targets. Meetings will last for 10 minutes and will take place in your child's classroom.

Please click on the link sent to parents to select your preferred time slot. Please note as a school, we will do our best to ensure that parents get their preferred times.

If your child usually attends after school club, please note that Youngstars will be operating on this day from 2.15pm.



After School Clubs

With only five more days before the end of Autumn Term 1, behind the scenes, staff have begun to think about possible clubs to start once we return.

On Monday, we will send out a letter about three new clubs and maybe more.

Our Core Values

Our **RESPECT** core values underpin everything that we do at Paxton.

Teamwork

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In whole school and class assemblies, the children will explore the meaning of care: what it means to them, how they are treated and treat each other at Paxton and the contributions they can make to show they care, in the ever-changing world in which they live.

School photos

A reminder that the school photographer will be in on Wednesday 20th October to take Class, Individual and Sibling photos.

All parents are requested to pre-register before the date to enable access to your child's photograph. Registration only takes a minute. Please visit www.carmeljaneshop.co.uk and enter the following code:

JRW2SGN

You will then be asked to pre-register with your child's full name. Once you have registered, as soon as the photos are available you will receive an email to notify you that your photo is ready for viewing and ordering. Please make sure your child is looking smart in the correct full school uniform on the day and is in school on time.

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Contact details **Last reminder!**

At the start of term, we sent home contact sheets. Thank you again to all the parents who have managed to check the information and return them to the school office.

Please note, if all of the information is correct and nothing has changed, still please sign the contact sheet and return it to the office by Monday 18th October.

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 20th October – **School photos**

Friday 22nd October – **End of Autumn 1**

Monday 25th October – **Half Term Week**

Monday 1st November - **Inset Day (school closed)**

Tuesday 2nd November – **School starts 8:45am**

New School Dinner Menu

Thursday 4th November – **9am Paxton Parent Tour**

Monday 15th November – **Anti bullying week**

One Kind Word

Wednesday 17th November – **Parents' Evening**

School closes at 2:15pm

Friday 19th November – **9am Paxton PTA**



Monday 22nd November – **5pm LAC Meeting**

Thursday 2nd December – **9am Paxton Parent Tour**

Friday 3rd December – **9am LAC Meeting**

Wednesday 8th December – **Christmas Concert**

Attendance

This week, the children in Year 6 have managed to achieve our whole school target of 97%.

With only one week to go before the end of term, let's see if more classes can achieve the target next week and get us even closer to 100%.

Class	Attendance
Reception	92.8%
Year 1	91%
Year 2	93.3%
Year 3	93.8%
Year 4	92.5%
Year 5	93.3%
Year 6	97.7%
Total	93.3%

Have a great weekend!

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