



# PRESTON BULLETIN



*'I have come that they may have life and have it to the full' John 10:10*

Friday 3 February 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Despite Wednesday's school closure, it has been a busy week and it doesn't seem possible that we only have one more week before the February Half Term Break!

The diary for the months ahead is gradually filling up; please keep a check on the 'Diary Dates' in the newsletter and on the website, as these are being updated on a regular basis. After half term, the Year 5/6 children will have the opportunity to participate in their Bikeability Courses and the first group of Year 5 children will begin their Swimming lessons at Riverside Leisure Centre. We also have a number of enrichment activities planned, including several educational visits, sporting events, World Book Day, Science Week and our Year 5/6 residential trip to Hilltop.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Yours sincerely,  
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Tas Valley Church Schools Federation

## PARKING ON HENRY PRESTON ROAD AND RICHES CLOSE

Local residents, have once again, raised concerns about dangerous and inconsiderate parking of vehicles visiting the school premises, particularly at drop off and collection times.



If it is necessary for you to drive your child to/from school, then please note the following points:

- Please park safely and legally without causing obstruction to driveways of neighbouring properties. The Highway Code states that you must not park opposite or within 10 metres of a junction. This is to allow drivers emerging from, or turning into, the junction a clear view of the road they are joining. It also allows them to see hazards such as pedestrians or cyclists at the junction. This morning, a number of vehicles were parked opposite the junction of Riches Close and on the corners of Riches Close, seemingly breaching The Highway Code.
- The Highway Code also states that if a parked car is blocking your side of the road, then you should give way to oncoming traffic.
- Although the speed limit is 30mph, it is clearly unsafe for vehicles to drive at this speed within a residential cul-de-sac, particularly at school drop off times, when there will inevitably increase in pedestrian and vehicular traffic.

If you are waiting a short while for the school gates to open, please show consideration for residents of neighbouring properties. If waiting, please queue alongside the layby, and along the boundary between the pavement and the school, rather than in front of neighbouring properties.

Thank you for your ongoing support with this matter. I am certain that we can work together with local residents and Norfolk Police to ensure the safety of our children as they travel to and from school.

## YEAR 5 SWIMMING

Year 5 parents: please look out for a letter in the coming days telling you the dates that your child will be swimming.

The first group of 14 swimmers will start on Friday 24th February.





## PRESTON STARS OF THE WEEK

- Ladybirds: **Archie** for always persevering with tasks and increasing growing in confidence to complete tasks independently.
- Bumblebees: **Megan** for always doing the right thing and working well.
- Grasshoppers: **Ronnie** for producing a fantastic print in art this week.
- Caterpillars: **Zaria** for an amazing retelling of the myth of Odysseus and the Sirens.
- Dragonflies: **Jonah** for excellent contributions to our Shang Dynasty artefacts lesson.

### LIVING THE MOTTO

**'I can take responsibility in a small group.'**

Ladybirds: **Willow**

Bumblebees: **Meredith**

Grasshoppers: **Oscar**

Caterpillars: **Skyla**

Dragonflies: **Charlotte**



### DIARY DATES

21 February	Year 4 to Mini Tennis at Easton College
2 March	World Book Day
W/C 6 March	Parents Evenings
13-16 March	Bikeability (Year 5/6)
W/C 13 March	British Science Week
14 March	Year 5/6 to Long Stratton Library
20-22 March	Year 5/6 to Hilltop
Friday 24 March	FOPPS Easter Bingo
Tuesday 28 March	Year 2 to Tas Valley CC
Wednesday 29 March	R/Y1/Y2 to Time and Tide Museum

### LEGO VOUCHERS

We are collective Lego Educational Equipment vouchers which are being published in the local newspapers. Please bring any vouchers to the school office.



**Save the date:  
FOPPS Disco  
Friday 12th May**



# Online Safety Webinars.



Are you a parent or carer, or someone who looks after children?

Norfolk Constabulary's Safer Schools Team and their colleagues in Prevent (Counter Terrorism), Cyber Security and the Safeguarding Children Online Team will be delivering two webinars about keeping children safe online.

Select a session below to reserve your spot:

## Session One

Tue 7 Feb 2023 | 11:00 - 12:00

## Session Two

Tue 7 Feb 2023 | 16:00 - 17:00



## Reading Areas

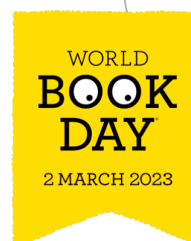
We are going to be re-designing our class reading areas to make them as inviting and interactive as possible for the children. Our theme is going to be our current topic, 'Our Wonderful World'.



## Librarians

During World Book Day, year groups will be invited to the library by our school librarians to take part in a reading activity they have planned.

We have some new books in the library which the children will be invited to read together.



## Reading Cafes

Next half term, we will be inviting you all in to a reading café run by your child's class. This will be a lovely opportunity for you to see the changes we have made to our reading areas and will provide us all with the time to share books and activities around reading.



## Non-uniform Day/Book Sharing

During World Book Day, the children will be invited to come into school dressed as their favourite book character and/or bring in their favourite book to share with their class. The teachers will be sharing their favourite books too!



# Kids Camp

South Norfolk  
COUNCIL



## Half Term fun

13 February - 17 February

**Time:** 8.30am to 5pm

Full and half day options (8.30am to 5pm, 8.30am to 12:45pm or 12:45pm to 5pm)

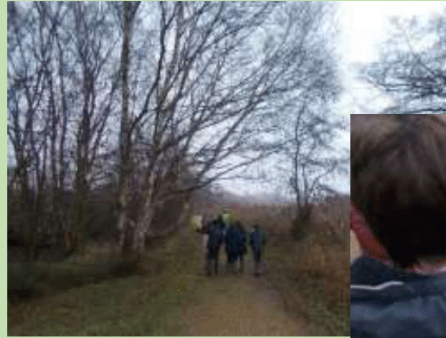
**Cost:** £27 per child per day (half day £18 per child per day)

**Ages:** 5 - 15 year olds

For more information and to book, visit reception at Wymondham Leisure Centre, Long Stratton leisure Centre or search online for "Kids Camp South Norfolk"

# PENSTHORPE - 25.01.23

The year 3 children from Preston and Saxlingham visited Pensthorpe on Wednesday. We were greeted by two very helpful people - Sarah and Alice.



Whilst at Pensthorpe, we did two activities: a tracks and trails walk and owl pellet dissection. It was great walking around and seeing what animals we could spot. Mostly, we saw ducks which were slipping on the frozen lakes. They were very happy to come and say hello!



After lunch, we had the opportunity to classify some images into producers, prey and predators. This was followed by a trip to 'Hootz House' where we all enjoyed going down the slides. Overall, we had a wonderful day!

