



Preston C of E  
Primary School

# PRESTON BULLETIN

*'Living Life to the Full'*



Friday 29 September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Another busy week has gone by, with lots of productive learning taking place in both our schools. Over the past week or so, Miss Limon and Mrs MacLennan have been undertaking statutory Reception Baseline Assessments for our new Reception children. The children are all settling really well into their new school routines and we are really proud of them. Look out for a photo of both groups of children in next week's EDP.

During the next couple of weeks, we are organising Open Mornings at both of our schools for prospective parents of children joining Reception in September 2024. Full details are within this bulletin. Parents/carers of Year 6 children will also be receiving information about how to apply for a High School place for September 2024.

We have started to put together a list of diary dates. Please check these as the weeks go by, as more and more events are likely to be added.

Wishing you all a happy and restful weekend.

Yours sincerely,

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Calling prospective parents with children due to start school in September 2024! We would like to invite you to an open morning on

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October

9.15-11.45am



This is a 'drop in' event—there is no need to make an appointment! There will be an opportunity for you to meet the Headteacher and the Early Years Staff. You will also be able to tour the school, see the classrooms and outdoor areas, and find out more about what we can offer in our very special Federation of schools where we support our pupils in 'Living Life to the Full'! We hope you will be able to join us! **Please contact the School Office for further information.**

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# Living Life to the Full



- Ladybirds: **Willow** for comparing numbers confidently and using the correct symbols independently.
- Bumblebees: **Bobby** for his excellent effort in English and Phonics this week.
- Grasshoppers: **Isabelle** for the great care that she took with her watercolour artwork.
- Caterpillars: **Bella** for working independently across all learning.
- Dragonflies: **Aiden** for making good observations about a range of maps of Boudicca Way .

## BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

'demonstrating a fantastic attitude to learning and school life'

Ladybirds: **Megan**

Bumblebees: **Zoe**

Grasshoppers: **Max**

Caterpillars: **Damian**

Dragonflies: **Ella**



We are required to hold an AGM each year and would very much encourage parents to come along. This year's will be held on Wednesday 4 October at 2.45pm in school, refreshments will be provided and younger siblings will be welcome. This is an opportunity for you to find out more about what Friends is all about and to get involved.



When parking within the vicinity of the school, please be considerate of our neighbours and of other road-users.

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.

### SPORTS EVENTS



We are proud to be part of the South Norfolk School Sports Partnership, and as such, we seek to organise to take groups of children from both schools to participate in a wide range of events.

Some events are very strict about the number of participants. Equally, with the soaring cost of transportation, we strive to use our minibus (with 15 seats for children) as much as possible, so that there is no cost to parents/carers. For some events, we enter groups from Saxlingham and Preston, and for others, we enter a mixed group to represent the Federation. Because of this, it is not always possible to include everyone at every event, however, we strive to select children fairly and to ensure that as many pupils as possible have opportunities to participate throughout the course of the year. Thank you for your understanding.

### WANTED

We are looking for a piano stall to use at Saxlingham Primary. If you are able to help with this, please contact either School Office.







## DIARY DATES

- Tuesday 3 October: Saxlingham Open Morning for Prospective Parents
- Wednesday 4 October: FOPPS AGM, 2.45pm  
FOSS AGM, 7.30pm
- Thursday 5 October: Year 1 and Year 2 Girls to Disney All Star Football (Saxlingham and Preston)  
Preston Harvest Celebration
- Friday 13 October: Saxlingham Harvest Celebration
- Tuesday 17 October: Year 4 Bikeability

## MINIBUS

Look out for our newly sign-written minibus, out and about in the local area!



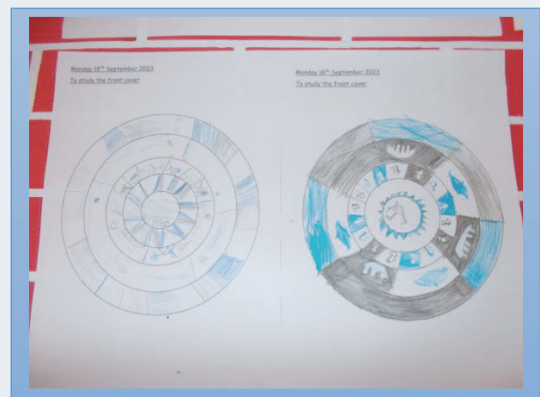
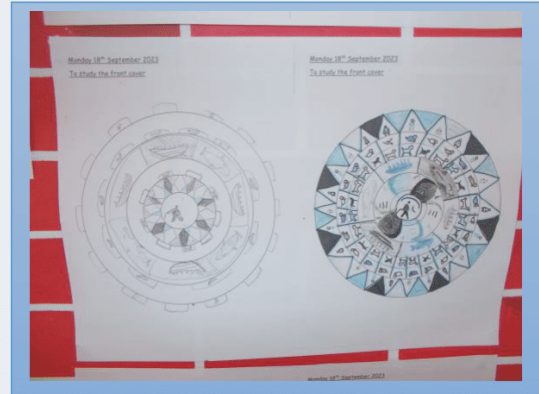




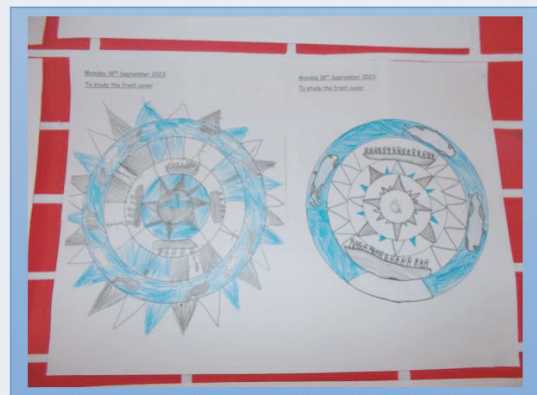
## Dragonfly Class News



In Dragonfly Class, we have been looking at the book 'Shackleton's Journey' by William Grill. We spent time studying the front cover, observing the symbols and repetitive patterns used. We used these observations to create our own front cover designs.

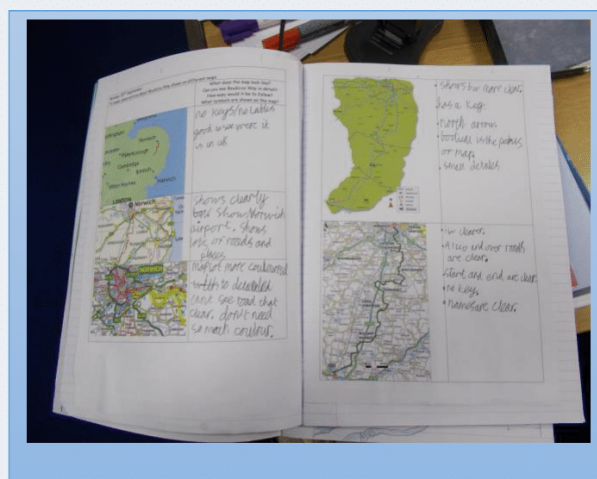
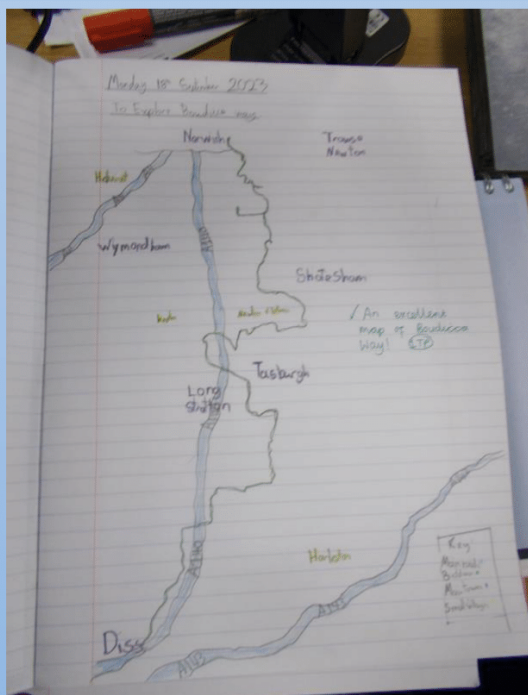


We have also been researching the 26 crew members who went on the journey alongside Ernest Shackleton. Over the next week, we will be writing our own personal statements in the role of our crew member.





In project, we have been exploring Boudicca Way, a 36 mile walk from Norwich to Diss. We learnt that the walk passes through Tasburgh and we have all walked part of it when we have been to the church as a school! As part of our learning, we have looked at several different maps of Boudicca Way, making observations about how they look, how much detail they have, how easy they would be to follow and if any symbols were shown on the map. Linking into our enquiry question 'How have we been shaped by the past?' we have spoken about why the walk is called Boudicca Way and significant Roman areas the walk passes through.



# HARVEST

Harvest celebrations will take place on the following dates.

**Preston—5 October**

**Saxlingham—13 October**

Please bring any donations of non-perishable items into school on the day of the Harvest Celebration.

## HARVEST APPEAL



### HELP SUPPORT YOUR FOODBANK WITH FOOD AND FUNDS THIS HARVEST

#### DONATE FOOD

Help by donating an item or two from our shopping list to ensure we can provide food to help people in crisis.



#### SHOPPING LIST TOP TEN ITEMS

UHT MILK  
FRUIT JUICE  
COFFEE  
TEA  
PASTA  
PASTA SAUCE  
INSTANT MASH  
INSTANT NOODLES  
TINNED FRUIT  
TINNED MEAT

#### DONATE MONEY

Help to cover the costs of storing and distributing food, as well as developing sustainable projects.



*Don't forget...  
You can help transform  
more lives with a financial  
donation too.*



**WAVENEY FOODBANK**  
[waveney.foodbank.org.uk](http://waveney.foodbank.org.uk)

Registered Charity in England & Wales 1151679





# Tasburgh Scarecrow Trail 2023

Organised by  
Tasburgh Allotment Society

**29<sup>th</sup> September-8<sup>th</sup> October**

**With refreshments by FoPPS 2-4pm Sat & Sun  
at Preston Primary School**

**£2 Trail Maps available from:  
Tasburgh Sports & Social Club (Tues & Fri eve, Sat/Sun pm)  
Preston Primary School Gate (Mon, Wed, Fri 3:15pm)**

**Enter the Trail competition to win a luxury hamper  
Vote for your Favourite Scarecrow**

## Call for Cake Donations

FoPPS will be raising funds for the school by providing refreshments at the Tasburgh Scarecrow Trail

Sat 30<sup>th</sup> Sept & Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Oct

Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Oct & Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Oct

2-4pm Preston Primary School

We would appreciate donations of Cakes, biscuits etc. for the second w/e  
Please bring to school foyer on Friday 6<sup>th</sup>

Many Thanks, FoPPS Committee

