

# NEWSLETTER

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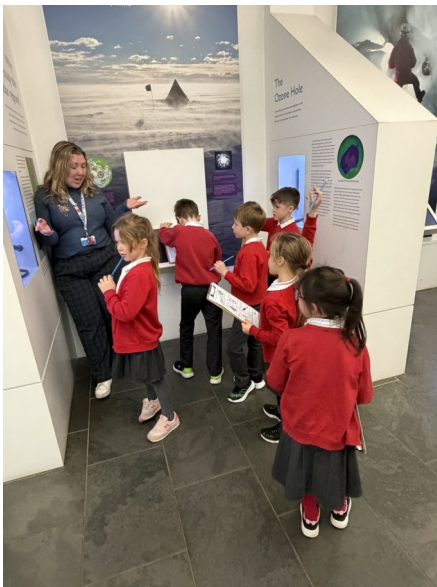
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Message from the Head.

Firstly, I would like to apologise for the lack of newsletters this half term. I attended a good friend's funeral two weeks ago and last week I was at a Hitchin Headteacher meeting followed by taking the Year 1 and 2's to a dodgeball competition at St Ipps. As a result, there is lots to fit into this edition. I have made it photo heavy to share some of the fabulous trips and visits the children have experienced in the first few weeks of this half term.

Grumble time ... please don't allow your children to play on the equipment before and after school. Our insurance is invalid during these times. Also, please refrain from attending after school clubs to watch your children. We have children leaving other clubs and after school provision and I have to ensure all of the children are safe during after school hours. Please collect your child at the end of the club. Thank you. Grumble over.

Have a lovely weekend. Mr Edwards and Bandit.



Year 2 spent a great day in Cambridge just after half term. As an integral part of their History topic, they visited the Sedgwick and Polar museums learning about Shackleton and Scott. It also gave them an opportunity to do a quiz and learn about fossils too. Another highlight was getting a double decker bus from the park and ride in Trumpington!



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Reception were invited to the library a few weeks ago because of the success of Lochlan H winning a reading competition. He was given 'The Elephant Detectives' book to keep and his class were invited to meet the author, Ged Adamson. Well done Lochlan.



We also had an author visit just before World Book day. Su Murley did work shops with the children and they were lucky enough to ask questions and listen to a story about Shirley Murley during the visit. Visits like these are paid for by donations through Easyfundraising. Keep shopping through the App to give the children even more opportunities.

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Mrs Brogan has her new insta profile pic sorted. Both her class and the Reception class had visits to Offley Farm this week. One of the new born lambs was only a few hours old during the Reception class visit. We have many more trips planned to the farm next week. Our appreciation and thanks go to Matt and Lou Lovett for giving our children this opportunity.



Zachary, Verity and Niamh enjoying World Book Day. The children enjoyed a parade around the hall showing off their spoons.

Next year we will be dressing up as our favourite characters again.

**REWARDS—last 3 weeks**

Nursery— Thomas P, Sofia Rose, Zachary, Verity and Adley

Reception— Joshua, William and Callum

Year 1— Sofia-Rose, Ava and Phoebe W

Year 2— Oliver and Stirling

Yr 3/4 - Oscar, Luna, Mila, Theo, Clem and Laura

Yr 4/5— Tess, Izzy, Saskia, Harris, Jimmy H and Esmé A

Yr 5/6— Jimmy F, Noah, Thomas, Nathalie, Lily He, Jake and Lily Ha

**Bandit Award** - Lacey-Gray, Lottie, Evie S and all of Reception.

Vending Machine book winners.

EYFS— Freddie, Rollo and Oliver F

KS1— Ava, Charlie and Vinnie

KS2— Lottie, Tess and Poppy S

**Birthdays.** Since half term we have celebrated lots of children's birthdays ... Holly, Verity, Theo D, Ronnie, Ava, Rory, George, Stirling, Lochlan and Lottie.

**Hot chocolate with the Head—I have had some great chats recently with Syvlie, Esmé Archer, Jimmy H and Jake.**



Year 1 / 2 dodgeball comp at St Ipps. The children were brilliant.

Below, a bent netball post ... looks like a minibus may have reversed into it by the shape of the angle?????



**Parent survey—2026**

Many thanks to the 52 of you that completed the parent survey sent out recently. The results were really positive to read. 51 said that your children were happy at school and that your child feels safe at school. The other parent neither agreeing or disagreeing. 50 said that the school ensures pupils are well behaved, 47 think that the school makes decisions with your child's best interest at heart and 51 believe the school gives your child the right support to enable them to learn well. 49 think the school is led well ( 3 of you don't know) and 51 of you would recommend this school to another parent. All 52 of the responses said they find the newsletter informative, which is pleasing to hear as it takes me so long to put together!

It is good to read the comments and for me to share this with the Governors and staff. It seems overall that we are doing a good job and you are very pleased with the school and your child's education.

Day	Date	Mth	Offley Endowed: Dates for your diary
Mon	16th	Mar	Year 5 / 6 Kinex challenge
Tues	17th	Mar	Parents Evening 17:00—20:00
Wed	18th	Mar	Year 2 Farm Visit / Parents Evening 15:30—18:30
Thur	19th	Mar	Year 1 Farm Visit
Mon	23rd	Mar	Affinity Water Road Closure—we don't know what this will look like despite trying to find out for weeks and weeks. 23rd March—17th April
Tues	24th	Mar	Class 5/6 Farm Visit / Easter experience Reception to Year 6 at Church
Wed	25th	Mar	Class 3/4 Farm Visit
Thur	26th	Mar	Year 2 trip to Herrings Farm / PHASE Year 6 Easter cracked
Thur	26th	Mar	Steel drum catch up from January
Fri	27th	Mar	Easter Church service at 09:30am : parents welcome
Fri	27th	Mar	Finish at 13:30—No Club and No Jesters