

Fortnightly Newsletter 16th May 2025

Headteacher's comments

I hope you have all managed to enjoy the sunny weather. Please remember to send your child to school with a sun hat, sun cream and appropriate clothing.

We are excited that the unit expansion will be starting after half term, more details on how this is going to affect our day-to-day running is below.

All of the school had an enjoyable street party style lunch last Thursday to celebrate VE day! As always, please refer to the school website to learn more about what your child is learning in the school day.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend!

Laura Fielding



Parents Big Voice Survey

As a school, we are constantly trying to improve. I feel it is really important to get the voice of all of the community. Therefore, we would really appreciate you taking 5 minutes to complete our questionnaire so we can understand your experiences and get your voice as parents. Thank you in advance. <u>https://forms.office.com/e/Tdz5wyLz9x</u>

Online safety

We are aware lots of children spend time on tablets at home. It is really important that parents are aware of what your children are accessing and how to keep them safe online. Therefore, we are going to be providing a range of different sources to help you keep them safe. Please follow the link below for a parents' guide to playing Roblox safely.

What is Roblox? Safety guide for parents | Internet Matters

Unit expansion

As you may be aware we are going to be refurbishing the part of the school nearest to Forest school to increase our capacity in the unit from 10 spaces to 30 spaces for children with autism and speech and language difficulties. This will mean transforming the classrooms to be suitable, adapting the current toilets to have sufficient changing areas, a new sensory room and a new library area. The work is due to start on 2nd June and complete at the beginning of the summer holidays. Therefore, over the next half term we are going to have builders and contractors on site.

During this time there will be no access around the back of the school and therefore, if dropping off in Reception and KS1, you will need to come back around to the front of the school. The whole area where the contractors will be working will be blocked off so no children can access the area. The contractors will have a compound area, where the current skip is, and all vehicle movement and deliveries will happen outside of school drop off times.

All contractors will have full DBS certificates and will undergo school safeguarding procedures. During this time, if you are made aware of any concerns, please do contact the school to make us aware. Thank you for your continued support during this time.



<u>Events</u>

Fancy Dress Day

We are inviting all children to come into school in fancy dress on the last day of term (Friday 23rd May). This will be for a £1 donation which will go towards a magic show at the end of the academic year.

School Disco

The school disco will be on Thursday 26th June, the tickets are now live on Arbor. If your child would like to attend, please pay £3 to secure a ticket.

Ice-pops

We are hoping to be able to sell these each Friday at the end of the school day. If you are able to help, by offering 15 minutes of your time, please speak to Miss Collen in the office.

Car Boot Sale

Please keep the date free- Saturday 14th June! If you would like a stall, please contact the school office via email: <u>office@springmeadow.cambs.sch.uk</u>

Parent Governor position

We are still recruiting a new Parent Governor. If you are interested, please speak to the school office for more information.

Year 2 leavers

Ely St Mary's are hosting a new to Year 3 meeting on 22nd May at 1730 for the children who are moving across to Junior school in September.

Dates for the diary:

22 nd May	Year 1 trip to BeWILDerwood
22 nd May	ESM new to Year 3 meeting
26 th May – 30 th May	Half term
June 2025	
2 nd June	INSET Day- School closed to children
3 rd June	Children back in school
6 th June	SEND coffee drop in 1430
9 th June	Phonics screening week
18 th June	Sports day
11 th June	Nursery (Caterpillar) Parent Lunch 1130-1200
11 th June	New to Reception parents evening
25 th June	New to Reception transition morning 0900-1000
26 th June	School disco
July 2025	
1 st July	New to Reception transition morning followed by lunch 1100-1230
1 st July	New to the unit parents open evening 1700
2 nd July	Transition day Year R and Year 1
9 th July	Year 2 transition to Year 3 (ESM)
16 th July	New to Reception transition morning 0900-1000
14 th July	Year 2 Dress rehearsal to school @ 1400
11 th July	Spring Meadow summer fete – PROVISIONAL DATE
15 th July	Year 2 production to parents @1400
16 th July	iRock Concert
16 th July	Year 2 production to parents @1400
17 th July	Sammy's magic show 1400
18 th July	Year 2 trip to Hunstanton
21 st July	End of year reports to parents
22 nd July	Year 2 leavers party
21 st July	Movie afternoon
23 rd July	Leavers assembly
	Last day of term for children

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