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FREEMAN COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

From tiny acorns mighty oaks grow.

Friday 23rd October 2026

Diary Dates

November

Monday 2nd November
Year 4 trip to Flatford Mill

Monday 9th November
Year 1 Parent Workshop
@2:15pm

Wednesday 11th November
Year 3 Parent Workshop
@2:15pm

Thursday 12th November
Year 6 trip to IWM Duxford

Monday 16th November – Friday 20th November
KS1 Assessment Week

Thursday 19th November
Year 5 Parent Workshop
@2:15pm

Monday 20th November – Friday 27th November
KS2 Assessment Week

December

Monday 14th December
Year 2 Nativity

Tuesday 15th December
Year 2 Nativity

Year 4 and 5 CET Christmas Concert

Opening comment

The school have been a hive of activity again this week. Lots of children have shared pieces of work with me and been given headteacher stickers which has been a true highlight; poems have been performed and written, and the children have been sharing some great maths work. Keep up the hard work everyone! Today has also been incredibly exciting, it has been wonderful to see so many of you wearing green to Go Green for Kabuki! Thank you for supporting this cause, it is hugely appreciated.
I hope you all have a wonderful half term and look forward to seeing you back in school on 2nd November.

Stars of the Week



Attendance Week beginning 19th October 2026

Acorn: 97.26%
Cherry Tree: 87.33%
Maple: 98.52 %
Beech: 97.14%
Hazel: 97.04%
Willow: 92.33%
Oak: 97.39%

Well, done **Maple Class** for being this week's winners!

House Points so far...

Brett: 1964

Deben: 1837

Orwell: 2025

Gipping: 1841

Lark: 1954

Stour: 1969



House Point Winners!

Congratulations to Orwell House, who won this half term with an amazing 2,025 points!

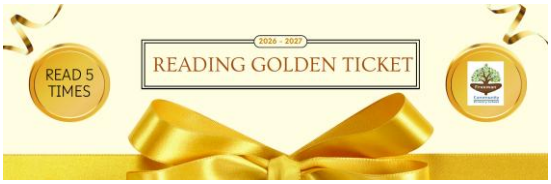
They have earned extra playtime and a non-uniform day. We will share the date with families nearer the time.

Well done, Orwell House!



Reading Champions

Well done to all the children who have read five times a week for the last four weeks. They received a Golden Ticket in assembly and have earned a **non-uniform day on Wednesday 4th November**. Keep up the fantastic reading!

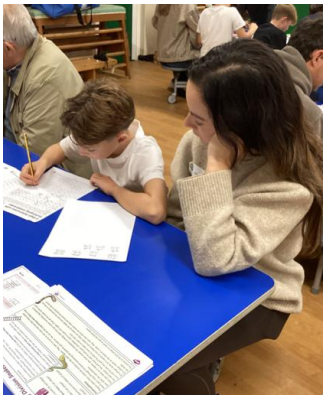


Year 6 Parent Workshop

It was lovely to welcome Year 6 families and friends to our first parent workshop of the year. The workshop focused on maths, and parents were shown the methods we use to teach long multiplication and long division. It was wonderful to see the children confidently teaching and supporting their parents. A fantastic afternoon was had by all.







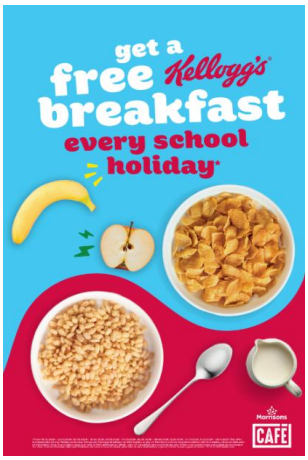
Special Menu Change





Free Breakfast this Half Term

Families visiting their local Morrisons Café during the October half-term holiday can enjoy a free Kellogg's Breakfast, which includes a bowl of cereal and a portion of fruit. The best part is that this offer is available for both children and adults, meaning the whole family can enjoy a free breakfast together



The Big Future – Have Your Say!

We would love our children to take part in **The Big Future**, a national survey giving children and young people the opportunity to share their experiences, views and hopes for the future.

The survey only takes a few minutes to complete, and the responses will help build a national picture of what matters to children today, ensuring their voices are heard by Government.

We would really appreciate your support in encouraging your child to take part and **have their voice heard**.

Take part here:
https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture

EADT Lego Tokens

We are collecting Lego Education Tokens from participating newspapers, including the East Anglian Daily Times, and would like your help to collect as many as possible! Tokens are being printed between 28th September and 30th November and should be sent into the school office. Please spread the word to friends, family members and your local community to help us collect as many as possible in order to have the chance to win some fabulous LEGO® Education vouchers and resources for our school.



Applying for Secondary School



The admissions process is different for children and young people who already have EHC plans.

However, if you have requested an EHC needs assessment, or this is underway, do still apply through admissions, as there is no guarantee the assessment will lead to an EHC plan.

Local authority guide for parents:
https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/schools/school-places

Acorn Class

In PE this half term, Acorn have been introduced to listening, turn taking, congratulating teammates and working as a team. These are some pictures of a game of 'at the shops' we played this week. The children had to follow instructions on how to move down the aisles and each time, we introduced a new skill they had to follow. They practiced jumping, stepping, balancing and walking. Children worked well in their teams and every child showed that they were able to take turns and join the back of the line when their turn had finished. We have a mix of child-initiated learning time, where we provide the activities for the children and they access them at their pleasure, as well as more structured times, such as PE, where specific skills and instructions are taught. We are so proud of how well they have all settled into school life!















Year 3 Pumpkin Fun

A huge thank you to Don, also known as *The Pumpkin Man*, who lives in the village and kindly grows pumpkins for our Year 3 children every year. The children were delighted when the pumpkins arrived on Tuesday and have already put them to good use. In Art, they carefully created observational drawings before transforming their pumpkins with finger paint into cats, ghosts and spiders to take home. It was a wonderful treat for the children, and we are incredibly grateful to Don for his continued generosity and support of our school.










SENDIASS Information Sessions Autumn 2026

While we're reviewing the best ways to deliver our service to families, we have a limited offer of live training sessions for the summer. We have a comprehensive library of training and information videos, accessible at any time from our SENDIASS YouTube channel which we hope will help you.

Sessions for families



Understanding behaviour as a communication need

Hosted by SENDIASS and delivered by specialist teachers from the Speech, Language and Communication Service.

9th November 2026 **10am – 11:30am**

Book a place



Supporting children and young people to manage their emotions

Hosted by SENDIASS and delivered by specialist teachers from the Social, Emotional and Mental Health Service.

3rd December 2026 **10am – 11:30am**

Book a place



Personalised stories

Hosted by SENDIASS and delivered by specialist teachers from the Communication and Interaction Service

8th December 2026 **10:30am – 11:30am**

Book a place

Understanding Children and Young People's Behaviour as a Communication Need Tickets, Monday 9 November • 10 AM - 11:30 AM GMT | Eventbrite

Supporting children and young people to manage their emotions Tickets, Thursday 3 December • 10 AM - 11:30 AM GMT | Eventbrite

Personalised stories to support social understanding Tickets, Tuesday 8 December • 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM GMT | Eventbrite

SPORTS CAMP

Monday 26 October	Tuesday 27 October	Thursday 29 October	Friday 30 October
Football -Skills Workshop 9.00-12.00pm Develop your football Skills in passing, dribbling and shooting OR **UV Sports** 9.00-12.00pm Activities are given a futuristic "TRON" treatment to turn every-thing neon. Activities to include: UV Parachute games UV Rugby and Basketball skills UV Dodgeball	**Gymnastics Workshop** 9.00-12.00pm Practice and perform gym Routines using gym equipment in a fun and safe environment. OR **Martial Arts Workshop** 9.00-12.00pm Learn a range of basic skills and techniques in a safe environment. Including Karate, Self defence, Tai chi and Fitness.	**Inflatables/ Multi sports Workshop** 9.00-12.00pm Participants will experience fun games and a range of awesome inflatables	**Action and Adventure Workshop** 9.00-12.00pm Activities to include:- Axe throwing, Archery, Go karts, Scooters, Dodgeball , Nerf and Laser Tag All equipment provided
Football Challenges & Games 12.30-3.30pm Test your skills in challenges, fun games and small sided matches OR **Alternative Activities** 12.30-3.30pm To include: NFL Flag football, Quidditch, Circus Skills etc	**Creative Workshop** 12.30-3.30pm Activities to include Musicals and different Dance styles OR **Parkour Workshop** 12.30-3.30pm Learn how to do different types of vaults, jumps, rolls and climbs in a safe environment using gym mats and equipment.	**Inflatables / Multi sports Workshop** 12.30-3.30pm Activities from: Inflatable obstacle course Inflatable dartboard target Bouncy goal Inflatable slide /climbing wall	**Action and Adventure Workshop** 12.30-3.30pm Activities to include:- Axe throwing, Archery, Go karts, Scooters, Dodgeball , Nerf and Laser Tag All equipment provided

All sessions are run by trained and qualified staff.

AGES: 5 – 13 Venue: Beyton Campus (IP30 9AA)

26 Oct-30 Oct 2026 £13 per workshop

Thurston Sixth, Beyton Campus, Church Road, Beyton, Suffolk IP30 9AA

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Sunday November 8th
3.30- 4.30pm
and
every 2nd Sunday of the month.
Meet at St Mary's church, Wetherden

WILD IN WETHERDEN FOREST CHURCH

Please come dressed for the weather!!

Meet at the Church
November theme is BIRDS
Inclusive activities for ALL
Bird hunt
Bird ID - MerlinAPP
Bird Crafts
Making roosts and feeders
Bubbles

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Contact Jo on hws.familyworker@gmail.com

KICKS & TRICKS

HALLOWEEN HOLIDAY CAMPS

26TH - 30TH OCTOBER

EARLY RISERS 8AM-9AM £5

DAY CAMP 9AM-5PM ONLY £35

EXTRA FUN 5PM-6PM £5

HALF DAY MORNING 9AM-12:30PM ONLY £20

HALF DAY AFTERNOON 1:30PM-5PM ONLY £20

VENUES

ACTIVITY CAMPS

Beaumont Primary School

Grace Cook Primary School

SPECIALIST SPORTS & CREATIVE CAMPS

Debenham Sports Centre Tuesday - Thursday

For more information visit:
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Active All Stars

OCTOBER HALF TERM MULTISPORTS CAMP



TUESDAY 27TH OCTOBER | 9.30AM – 3.30PM | COMBS FORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

FULL DAY £32 | HALF DAY £16 9.30AM – 12.30PM | SIBLINGS £30

BOOK NOW!

https://bookwhen.com/activeallstars

Flatford Nature Day

Tuesday 27th October 2026

Join us at Flatford for our autumn Nature Day!

Lots of free, nature-themed activities to get stuck into including:

- Pond dipping
- Hedgehog trails
- Fun nature quizzes
- Hands-on arts & crafts
- Leafy and riverside strolls

Free

...and much more!

Drop in activities 11am – 3pm



Enjoy the great outdoors around Flatford this October half-term

There will be something for all the family!

There is a charge of £6.00 for use of the National Trust car park for non-members. Call Field Studies Council Flatford Mill on 01206 297110 for more details.

Field Studies Council | River Stour Trust | Dedham Vale National Landscape | RSPB | National Trust

WILD halloWEEN SESSIONS

GREEN LIGHT TRUST



WHEN:
27th & 29th October
9.30 am-2.30pm

WHERE:
- Castan Woods, Ipswich
- Frithy Woods, Bury St Edmunds

Who are the Sessions for?
Our 'Wild 'Ween' sessions are for children aged 7-11.
A chance to make new friends, enjoy games, Halloween-themed nature crafts, woodland adventures and campfire fun.
For children with a love of the outdoors!
Cost- £37 per child (£30 for siblings) (includes small breakfast and snacks)

All of our sessions will be held entirely outside, so please ensure your child/children are dressed appropriately for the weather.

N.B - All sessions are 'drop off' sessions.

Frithy Woods | Castan Woods

To Book your sessions, please scan the QR codes or contact info@greenlighttrust.org

www.greenlighttrust.org

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Kabuki Day

Today we have proudly supported Kabuki Syndrome Awareness Day by wearing green throughout the school; we have raised an amazing £200 so far!

The children enjoyed taking part and learning about the importance of understanding and celebrating differences. By wearing green, we have helped raise awareness of Kabuki Syndrome, a rare genetic condition, while showing our support for individuals and families affected by it. Thank you to everyone who joined in and helped make the day such a success.










Half Term Football Camp

Joel, who supports with Breakfast Club and lunchtime sports activities, is running a football camp during the half-term holiday. If your child is interested in attending, please follow the instructions provided on the leaflet below for booking details and further information.





Wake up Wednesday

