



Ashbeach Governor Newsletter

March 2025

Dear Parents/Carers and Staff



The school has a focus on reading which I hope you support at home with daily reading - fact and fiction. Reading really is the key to achievement, as we learn so much from it: language, vocabulary, strengthens writing abilities, information source, others' views on the world, entertainment, improves concentration and memory, increases imagination and creativity, reduces stress



and helps you relax. Reading before sleep at bedtime is supposed to support good sleep!!

The focus on handwriting with the badges seems to be impacting positively on the quality of handwriting. We all spend so much time with one finger on the phone keys, it is good to have full use of writing with a pen/pencil as it is also good for dexterity.

We will be the focus of the blue tokens at Tesco again next month so don't forget to take them at the checkout.



On March 22nd there is another chance to work further on the school outdoor area, so do come along for an hour or two? We are so lucky with the school grounds, with its various areas. I spent



a few hours last autumn dealing with all the weed trees in the Mini Forest, so the children can use it more freely this year.

Enjoy the Easter break! If we are lucky, the weather will improve so we can make the most of the local nature reserves. I think holiday times especially are for spending quality time with friends and family-good company and time are the best presents! On the back of this newsletter, I have copied info on the activities at the local nature reserves if you want to spend some time enjoying nature, as we are so lucky having so many close by. I am a volunteer warden at Upwood Meadows, so if you are visiting on a Sunday, you may see me clearing fence lines!! Bramble and blackthorn never stop growing! Do say hello.



Our two newish parent governors are contributing a great deal to our governing body, so thank you both for your time.

The staff have been working hard to support and encourage your children to achieve their potential. The governors would like to thank them for their continued commitment to the school.

Best wishes -
Joan Morters Chair of Governors

the Great Fen.

■ **Birdsong walk at the Nene Wetlands** | Sun 4 May, 9:30-11am, booking essential. Join us on international dawn chorus day for a walk around

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FEATURED EVENTS

School holidays



We've always got events during school holidays to help get the kids out in nature. wildlifebcn.org/school-holidays



EASTER AT THE NENE WETLANDS

- **Easter trail** | 5-21 Apr.
- **Wild Science** | Tue 8 Apr 10.30-12.30. Explore the science of spring through a variety of fun experiments!
- **Busy beavers** | Mon 14 Apr, 10.30-12.30. Learn all about beaver habits.
- **'Swap screentime for green time' family activity day** | Tue 15 Apr, 10:30am-2pm. Take a break from technology and

reconnect with your child through a variety of fun outdoor activities. Most suitable for ages 7-14 years. **Booking essential.**

FAMILY DROP-INS AT PAXTON PITS

- **Wild, fuN and great for you too** | Mon 7, Wed 9 & Fr 11 Apr, 10am and 1.15pm each day. Get your dose of Vitamin N with these feel-good nature sessions for all the family.

■ **May half-term** | Thu 29 & Fri 30 May, 10am and 1.15pm each day. Drop-in sessions, theme TBC.

WILD IN THE WOODS DAY CAMP AT RAMSEY HEIGHTS

Wed 9 Apr, 10am-3pm. A full day for children aged 7-12 to engage in the great outdoors without their adults!