



MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

Dear Parents/carers,

The cooler weather this week has been much appreciated by all and a more 'normal' week has been able to happen! This week our year 6 children spent 2 days at their new secondary schools - we are sure they made a good first impression and hope the days went well. For the rest of the children they also had a successful transition day on Tuesday and hopefully this helped with any nerves about moving to a new class.

On Monday our youngest children enjoyed the nursery sports day - we were very proud of all of them. In other Sports news this week we were delighted to receive the news that we have been awarded the Platinum School Games Mark award - the highest award a school can achieve and can only be achieved after having three years in a row with the gold award - a huge thank you and well done to Mr Thompson and Mrs Hardy for their hard work and always going over and above for our children!

I am sure lots of people are looking forward to the football on Sunday night. Please note due to attendance rules we are not permitted to open or offer a late start for children due to the football match so school will open at the normal time and children are expected to be in school as normal. Have a lovely weekend and next week we look forward to hearing all about Year 4's camping trip to Paxton Pits!

Mrs Burgess
Headteacher



We have a job vacancy for a Kitchen Assistant. Please check details for the vacancy on our website - greatdenhamprimary.org.uk/job-vacancies

LETTERS HOME

Ex-Curr Clubs Autumn 26 - ALL
Clubs Booking Timeline - ALL
Sports Awards Info - Select
Wicked Theatre Trip - Select Y4
New Class Letters - All
iPad Google form - Y2

UPCOMING DIARY DATES

Tues 7th July - Y5 Fab Finish
(Carina & Circinus)

Tues 7th July - Y3 Fun Swim

Weds 8th July - Sports Awards

Weds 8th July - Y1 Fab Finish -
4.30pm

Weds 8th July - Y4 Group 1
Camping

Thurs 9th July - Y4 Group 2
Camping

Thurs 9th July - Y5 Fab Finish
(Vela)

Fri 10th July - Y3 Fab Finish
2:30pm

Fri 10th July - Ex-Curr Clubs
Finish

Mon 13th July - Make the rules
day



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Make the RULES Day

MONDAY 13TH JULY

Friends of Great Denham

suggested 50p donation per rule



ON MONDAY 13TH,
The Children are
making the rules!!

Make as many of the rules as you like and raise funds for your School as well as look cool! 😊
(suggested 50p donation per rule)



RULE 1
WEAR A T-SHIRT OR DRESS

PLEASE DON'T WEAR A DRESS ON TUESDAY OR WEDNESDAY



RULE 2
WEAR NON-SCHOOL TROUSERS/SHORTS OR A SKIRT



RULE 3
WEAR A FOOTBALL SHIRT INSTEAD OF YOUR SCHOOL SHIRT



RULE 4
WEAR BRIGHTLY COLOURED SOCKS OR TIGHTS

DO NOT WEAR SOCKS FOR TIGHTS



RULE 5
WEAR YOUR OWN SHOES OR TRAINERS



RULE 6
HAVE CRAZY HAIR



RULE 7
PAINT YOUR NAILS



RULE 8
WEAR A TEMPORARY TATTOO



RULE 9
PUT JUICE OR SQUASH IN YOUR WATER BOTTLE

Splash & Swim

SUMMER HOLIDAY

Crash Courses



Week 1: 27th-31st July - 4pm 4.30pm or 5pm

Week 2: 10th-14th August - 4pm 4.30pm or 5pm

Location: Pilgrims Pre-Preparatory School

Price: £12.80 per session or £60.80 for week

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- ✓ Understanding children's behaviour
- ✓ Building calmer family routines
- ✓ Support from experienced facilitators



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IN 30 SECONDS



Early Help workshops are FREE (fees may apply to others)

Online / Local sessions available

"Right support Right action Right time"



SUPER SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AT THE HIGGINS BEDFORD



LEGO® Build & Talk

Tuesday 21 July, 11am-4pm,
Free, Drop in, Suitable for ages 6-9

This free drop-in event features four mini activities for children and their carers to collaborate and create using LEGO bricks. LEGO® Build & Talk events help families spark playful conversations around gaming and wellbeing. No booking required but, if the room is busy please wait a short time until there is space.



Medieval Castle Craft

with Atiya Vohra
Wednesday 22 July,
Free Drop-In Session from 12-3pm,
suitable for 5-12 years

As part of the annual Council for British Archaeology Festival, we are hosting a free crafting session inspired by the medieval kiln display and our proximity to the former Bedford Castle. Have a go at creating a heraldic shield design, make your own small clay pot, brass rubbing or calligraphy to produce your own illuminated letter in a medieval style.



Tiny Gardens

with The Goodlife Garden
Thursday 23 July, £6.05 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 11.15am-12.15pm, 12.45-1.45pm and 2.15-3.15pm
Create a tiny garden to take home, perfect for fairies and elves to live in.

Archaeology Detectives Part 2

with Helen Ohlsson
Tuesday 28 July, £3.90 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 11.15am-12.15pm, 12.45-1.45pm and 2.15-3.15pm

After the success of our first Archaeology Detectives, we have added more hands-on activities whilst retaining the pot reconstruction and the excavation pit.



Felt Portraits

with Anne-Marie Abbate
Wednesday 29 July, £6.05 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 11.15am-12.15pm, 12.45-1.45pm and 2.15-3.15pm

Have great fun watching wool turn into felt. Create a self-portrait using the wet felting process.



Pressing & Printing

with Katie Allen
Thursday 30 July, £6.05 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 12.45-1.45 pm and 2.15-3.15pm
Have a go at plasticine printing. Be guided by artist Katie Allen to press plasticine into a range of textured surfaces like shells, leaves, Lego bricks and then make a series of prints.



Meet the Egyptians

with Helen Ohlsson
Tuesday 4 August, £3.90 per child,
suitable for ages 7-12

Workshops 11.15am-12.15pm, 12.45-1.45 pm and 2.15-3.15pm
Find out facts about the Egyptians, their Gods and the pyramids. Make a sarcophagus for a mummy plus lots of other Egyptian inspired craft.

Drop-In Craft Session with Atiya Vohra,

Higgins staff and volunteers
Tuesday 4 August, Free, 2-4pm,
all ages welcome
Make your own Victorian toy or create some bug inspired craft!



Rocket launch

with Little Science Labs
Wednesday 5 August, £6.05 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 11.15am-12.15pm, 12.45-1.45 pm and 2.15-3.15pm
Inspired by the Artemis Rocket voyage? Why not create your own rocket with the help of Little Science Labs? You will design your own craft whilst receiving lots of advice about how to optimise your rocket's flight performance and then launch it and see how high it flies.



Covent Garden Circus Skills

Thursday 6 August, £6.05 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 11.15am-12.15pm, 12.45-1.45 pm and 2.15-3.15pm
Session leader, Tabatha is a former Covent Garden Street Performer with over 25 years experience in the performance and entertainment industry. She invites all the family to try their hand at a variety of circus skills and have lots of fun along the way!



Puggle Club

Friday 7 August, Free,
drop in, 10.30am-12 or
1-2.30pm at The Higgins

Wednesday 26 August 11.30am-1.30pm
at Bedford Central Library

Puggle Club is the perfect chance to get creative, have fun, and socialise offering free art & craft activities, stories and sensory play for children aged 2-5 years with their parents and carers. Pop in between 10.30am-12 or 1-2.30pm. Siblings are welcome to attend. No booking required but, if the room is busy please wait a short time, until there is space.



Teaching Talons

Tuesday 11 August, £6.05 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 11.30am-12.30pm,
1-2 pm and 2.15-3.15pm

Enjoy meeting the awesome animal ambassadors of Teaching Talons.



Stone Age Session

with Helen Ohlsson
Tuesday 11 August, £3.90 per child,
suitable for ages 7-12

Workshops 11.15am-12.15pm, 12.45-1.45pm and 2.15-3.15pm

There was more to the stone age than just stone! Explore Prehistory through hands on activities relating to the archaeology of the time. Create your own cave art, try your hand at flint axe making or grinding wheat to make flour.



Shaving Foam Marble Cards

with Lisa Tilley
Wednesday 12 August, £6.05 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 12.45-1.45 pm and 2.15-3.15pm
Come and have a go at paper marbling and make your own marbled cards. This technique is even more fun in that we use shaving foam instead of oil and is suitable for all. Younger children will need support from their adult.



Clay Keepsake Holders

with Anne-Marie Abbate
Thursday 13 August,
£6.05 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 11.15am-12.15pm,
12.45-1.45 pm and 2.15-3.15pm
Construct a three-dimensional clay niche to display all your favourite and precious keepsake items. Add imprints and patterns to make your niche truly unique.



Dino Planters

with The Goodlife Garden
Tuesday 18 August, £3.90 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 10-11am and
11.30-12.30pm
Using recycled materials, make your own Dino plant pal for your windowsill where you can watch your plant grow, plant included.



Fire Tiles with Little Science Labs

Wednesday 19 August, £6.05 per child,
suitable for ages 5-12

Workshops 11.15am-12.15pm,
12.45-1.45pm and 2.15-3.15pm
Create your own beautiful tile using the magic of flammable inks. Children will learn about the fire triangle as well as how to light a fire safely in this unique and exciting fire workshop.

Storytelling in the Gallery with Belinda

Sunday 30 August, Free, 2.30pm,
suitable for ages up to 7

All workshops last an hour.
All children must be accompanied by an adult. Booking is essential unless stated otherwise. Adults do not need to book a place.

To book a place for children on all holiday activities, visit the website

at www.thehigginsbedford.org.uk/Book_Online, call the Box Office on 01234 718044 (open Wednesday - Saturday, 10am-4pm) or scan this QR code. Please use the promotional code HIGGINS30 to avoid paying a transaction fee.

If a booked place is no longer required for any of our workshops, please let us know so that it can be made available to another family.

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