



National Read-Aloud Challenge 2025

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REGIONAL WINNER

WALK ON THE WILD SIDE

We are all set for the Walk on the Wild Side, which will be taking place on Friday 17th April—the first Friday of the new term. Thank you to all those who have already contributed to the JustGiving page (https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/jeremy-leicester-1?utm_medium=FA&utm_source=CL); you have already raised nearly £600! Remember, you are welcome to join in and walk with us—it's always nice to have parents and grandparents too—or to act as a marshal. Please let the FOOSA team know if you can help. The Sponsored Walk, which was launched by children's TV megastar Steve Backshall, is being held to raise money for our outside classroom. FOOSA already have most of what they need to build the classroom, so we have set ourselves the target of raising £1000. At the rate things are going, we might well do much better than that! Good luck with the fundraising!



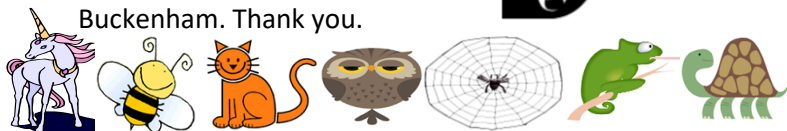
SAFEGUARDING SUPPORT: GAMING and CYBERBULLYING

Children growing up today are exposed to challenges and situations that were entirely non-existent for many of us at a similar age. As such, it can be difficult to know the right way to respond to our children's demands or to deal with problems that may arise. Online gaming presents particular issues that can be hard to manage: exposure to inappropriate material, unsolicited contact from strangers, online bullying, etc. These short videos, produced by internetmatters.com, provide useful advice, as does the PEGI website.

Online advice for 6 to 10 year olds: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=caX_wpyGnwQ
 Cyberbullying: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IMZTgfdWE4w>
 PEGI rating advice for parents: [Tips for Parents | Pegi Public Site](#)



OUR SCHOOL VALUE THIS TERM IS: **COURAGE**



SHARE MORNING: EARLY WRITING & THE WRITE STUFF

We would like to invite you to a Share Morning on Monday 20th April from 9am—12pm. The focus of the morning will be Early Writing and The Write Stuff. We would like to demonstrate how we teach writing skills in the Early Years and how the Write Stuff is used as children progress into Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. The morning will start with an introduction to the development of writing by Mr Leicester then we'll invite you to work alongside your child in their class as they take part in a sentence stacking lesson. So that parents with children in different classes can take part, we have split the school into two groups.

Thames and Zambezi Class: Introduction 9am. Share lesson 9.30—10.30am

Rhine and Amazon Class: Introduction at 10.30am. Share Lesson 11am—12pm

We hope you can join us.

HOCKEY GOLD!

The children of Fressingfield returned triumphant from an exciting afternoon of competition at Magpies Hockey Club on Monday, proudly bringing home gold medals after a fantastic display of skill, teamwork and determination. A full report can be found on our Facebook page. Three teams were entered, and all three competed magnificently.



WILDER SCHOOL / WILDER CHURCH

Amazon and Zambezi Classes had a fantastic day last Friday, when we took part in Day 2 of this year's Wilder School Project. There are lovely photos and reports on our Facebook Pages. Highlights at school included planting a new hedge between the Forest School and the field and lavender plants in the raised beds behind Zambezi Class. At the churchyard, Amazon Class went frog spotting, fixed the Bug Hotel, built bird boxes and surveyed the churchyard using quadrats. We're grateful to Lauren Mack and the Suffolk Wildlife Trust for facilitating these sessions.

Zambezi Class' next project will be to plant a wildflower meadow near the mound on the field. If you are able to help with wildflower seeds, please see Mrs Buckenham. Thank you.



APUS VICTORIOUS! Well done Apus (the Red Team) for winning the House Point Challenge this half term. Your dress-down day reward will be on Friday 24th April. Well done!

SCHOOL COUNCIL: PLEASE CAN WE HAVE YOUR OLD TOYS?

The School Councilors are still asking for your help. They would like you to look through your old toys over the Easter holidays to see if there are any that are no longer played with, but which are still in good condition. They would like them to be made available at lunchtimes. The children have specifically asked for: **toy cars, dinosaurs, dolls, mini-den making materials, farm toys, dressing-up clothes, train tracks, monster trucks, diggers, playmobil, teddies, hotwheels, sea creatures, dragons and unicorns, wands, Barbies and Lego.** Please send your old toys in, marked for the attention of the School Council. In the summer term, if there are still items on the list they would like to gather, they intend to organise a Bring and Buy Sale. Date TBC.

FOFSA HAMPER Congratulations to the Nunn Family for winning the FOFSA Film Night Hamper. We hope you enjoy your special prize. We would like to thank Tehina for all the work she did selling tickets on the gate every afternoon for a month. It seems the raffle has raised more than £350! Well done everyone.

FOFSA QUIZ NIGHT

We're looking forward to the return of the FOFSA Quiz Night, which will be back for the second time on the evening of Friday 17th April. This was great fun last year and featured staff teams, parents teams and teams from the wider community. So, please save the date and come and pit your wits against Fressingfield's finest!



DO YOU KNOW OUR VALUES?

The School Council are on a mission to publicise our school values. They realised that very few people can name them: do you know what they are? They have launched five new Certificates, so they can recognise and reward children modelling our values around the school. Our values are Courage, Respect, Curiosity, Wellbeing and Responsibility. They are key to learning effectively, forming positive relationships, taking a full role in our school and the wider world and living happy, fulfilled and healthy lives.



LITTLE Dragonflies
Tiny wonders, big adventures

Baby and Toddler Group
Every Thursday (term time) 8.45-11am
For ages 0-4 years
Fressingfield Primary School
Craft, sensory play, toys, books, games, soft play, ride on area and so much more.
Refreshments provided for all.

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DATE	EVENT
Mon 13th April	Start of Summer Term
Thur 16th April All Day	Suffolk Farm and Country Show Zambezi Class
Fri 17th April	The Walk on the Wild Side—Morning
Fri 17th April	FOFSA Quiz Night
Mon 20th April	Share Morning: Early Writing & The Write Stuff
Fri 24th April	Apus Dress Down Day
Mon 27th April	Dental Epidemiology Visit Yr/Y1
Tue 28th April	HSSSP Belong Event. Details TBC
Wed 29th April	Reception 2026 intake: Stay and Play
Mon 11th—Thu 14th May	SATs Week
Wed 13th May— Tue 19th May	Travelling Book Fair
Mon 18th - Wed 20th May	Y6 Residential Hilltop
Mon 25th—Fri 29th May	Half Term
Tue 2nd June 12pm—5pm	Dynamos Cricket Festival Mellis Cricket Club
Mon 8th June	HSSSP Belong Event. Details TBC.
Mon 8th June	Welcome to Reception Meeting 5pm
Fri 12th June	Sports Day—Afternoon
Fri 12th June	Summer Fair and Family Fun Night
Tue 16th June	HSSSP Athletics
Wed 17th June	Reception 2026 intake: Stay and Play
Fri 19th June	Wilder Schools / Wilder Church
Mon 22nd June	WCET Music Festival Bury St Edmunds
Tue 23rd June	Y6 Crucial Crew Life Skills
Tue 30th June	RISE Gymnastics Hartismere
Mon 6th July	KS2 Summer Production Dress Rehearsal 9.30am
Mon 6th and Tue 7th July	KS2 Summer Production 6pm
Wed 8th July	Shuffle Up Day (AM)
Fri 10th July	HSSSP Rounders
Fri 17th July	Last Day for Pupils

WCET FESTIVAL

SAVE THE DATE! We are really pleased to have secured a place at the WCET Festival again this year on Monday 22nd June. Mr Kershaw, who teaches music to Key Stage 2, says we are the best school he teaches! He says our children are well ahead of their contemporaries in other schools and that he can teach things to our children he wouldn't attempt with other classes! If you would like proof for yourself, then come and watch us play at the WCET Music Festival. Details of how to book your places will be sent out as soon as we have them. In the meantime, save the date!

