



The Federation of  
Fairfield and Colneis



Dear Parent/Carer,

It is hard to believe that this is the final newsletter of the academic year - time really does fly by! Please do take the time to have a look through all year groups and so you can see the wide range of exciting opportunities that the children have been accessing over the last half a term.

I also want to take the opportunity to thank our fantastic 'Friends of' committee for all their hard work in raising such valuable funds for our schools over the year. To have donated a massive £14675 to 18 different projects is incredible and hugely appreciated (see penultimate page for details). Thank you to you all as well for supporting the range of activities and events that have taken place - our Summer Fair was such a great example of how our whole community can pull together.

As we move into the last few days for term I would like to wish our Year 6 all the best as they move onto secondary school. They are certainly ready for the new adventures that await them - we have enjoyed seeing them grow and develop during their time with us.

It is the time of year where we also say farewell to some of our current staff members. Mrs Batten will be leaving us at the end of term - thank you to her for the enthusiasm she has brought to the Reception team at Fairfield. Mrs Loxley will be enjoying her very well deserved retirement from September - although we are hoping to persuade her to come back and volunteer with us still. The Colneis News part of this newsletter is just one example of Mrs Loxley sharing her enthusiasm for writing across the curriculum with children. We are also saying a sad farewell to Lynne Birchall, our lead Midday Supervisor at Colneis who is also retiring at the end of term. Lynne has worked for a number of years at Colneis and I know so many of our children (and parents who used to attend Colneis!) will have fond memories of her. Good luck to Mr Ross as well who is getting married this summer.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a happy summer - we shall look forward to the children arriving back to school on Wednesday 4th September.

Best wishes,

*Mr Mark Girling*

Headteacher

**SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**  
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# News from Nursery

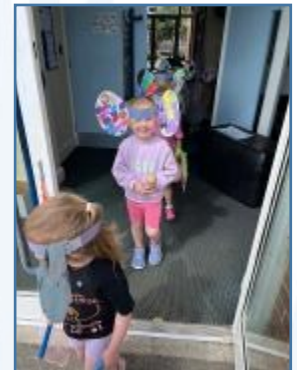
## Moving on Up!

It is a bittersweet time in Nursery as we support the children with their transition into Reception whilst celebrating a wonderful year together.

It is hard to believe that this year is over and we have enjoyed looking back and reflecting on some of the fun times as well as observing both the physical and developmental growth of each of the children.



Each of the children have brought such joy and happiness to our Nursery and they have overcome many challenges with positivity and optimism.



The children continue to thrive and show us that they are well-prepared for their next adventure. We couldn't be prouder of this group of children who have grown so much in such a short time. It has been an absolute pleasure getting to know them and being part of their journey.

**Good Luck to all of our Nursery stars!**

# News from Reception

## What a fantastic first year of school!

This year the children have made huge progress across all areas of the curriculum and we are incredibly proud of each and every one of them!

They have:

- built friendships
- learnt to share and take turns
- learnt and followed the Fairfield values
- explored new activities
- learnt to read by blending
- learnt to write by segmenting
- become mathematicians
- learnt a range of songs
- learnt some basic Makaton
- taken on roles in their play
- raised money for charity
- carried out experiments
- developed creative skills
- developed imagination skills
- cared for ducklings
- completed a drill with Sgt Bond
- taken part in Sports Day
- developed gross motor skills
- designed fabulous constructions
- enjoyed sensory play
- learnt to form letters correctly
- visited the local library
- enjoyed the Happiness Festival
- explored pattern
- played interactive games on the smartboard as well as board games
- learnt about religious festivals including Christmas, Easter and Diwali
- And so much more!



We look forward to hearing about all the things you continue to learn in Year 1!

# News from Year One

## Our Animal World

The children have been learning about animal groups in science and enjoyed the opportunity to meet some reptiles and mammals. They learnt about their features, diet and habitats. Many children showed great courage to stroke and hold the animals including lizards, tortoise, a snake and a very friendly rat.

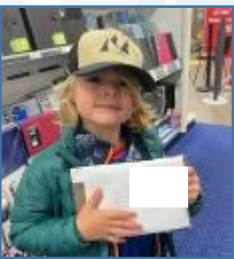


When the zoo comes to us in school!



## Geographical adventures with Flat Stanley

Children have been participating in the Flat Stanley project. Families nominated addresses to post Flat Stanley to so we could learn more about towns in England as well as towns in countries around the world. It has been exciting to welcome Flat Stanley back from his adventures and explore the accompanying postcards, fact files and photographs. Flat Stanley has also been invited to travel with families and was taken on a tour around Felixstowe. Thank you to all the Year One families who have supported our project including his trips to Manchester, Surrey, County Durham and Dartmouth. Flat Stanley has also visited Alaska, Canada, America, Spain, Australia, New Zealand, Netherlands and Hungary.



# News from Year Two

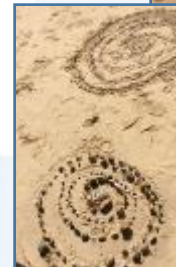
## Meeting our Year 5 Buddies

The Year 2 children were really excited to visit Colneis for their transition day and have the opportunity to meet their Year 5 buddies. They spent time having lunch together and completed a range of activities. Their favourite activities were completing a wild-life hunt in the Colneis outdoor area and playing football in the MUGA at the end of the afternoon. They are really looking forward to September and getting to spend more time with them.



## Year 2 Trip to the Beach

The children loved their trip to the beach to celebrate the end of their time in Year 2. They had a picnic on the beach, created artwork inspired by Andy Goldsworthy and recapped their human and physical features learning from Geography. Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped us on a very hot, but windy day!



## Outdoor Learning

As the weather has been sunnier, we have been enjoying as many opportunities as we can for outdoor learning. We have embraced the heavy rain too! We celebrated outdoor classroom day, spent time in Colneis wildlife area and have had extra sessions with Mrs Churchyard at Fairfield exploring our green spaces here. The children love being outside and taking their learning out of the classroom. They are really looking forward to their outdoor sessions in Year 3.



# News from Year 3

I cannot believe that we have reached the end of the school year already. We are so pleased with the children's transition from Year 2 to Year 3. The Open Evening was a great opportunity to see how much progress they have made across the year and we hope you enjoyed looking through their work. This half term, we have continued our Rainforest topic. In English, we have written persuasive letters to stop deforestation. In Maths, we have learnt about fractions, time and shape. The children have also had fantastic opportunities to take part in sports events competing against other schools, sports day and a tennis taster session. We also got to enjoy the Outdoor Learning Day, the Year 6 performance and a Happiness Festival. Thank you for all of your support and we hope you have a great, safe summer.

## Rainforest Project

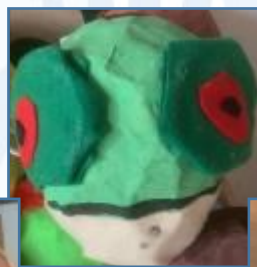


We were very impressed with the children's rainforest homework. There were a variety of creative ideas and the children got to share their projects in our assembly. They explained what they had created and how they achieved it. The children received 10 house points for their efforts.



## Fabulous Artwork

This term, the children have been creating 3D masks. They have based their designs on rainforest animals. They created a hardened oval shape using gum tape and used paint and materials to embellish them.



# News from Year 4

## We are all Scientists!

	Wet weight	Dried weight	Change in weight
Cloth 1	24.5g	18g	6.5g
Cloth 2	24.5g	18g	6.5g
Cloth 3	24.5g	18g	6.5g

This term Year 4 have been learning about different states of matter in Science and how a liquid can turn into a gas and a solid.

As part of our learning, the children carried out an experiment to see what happens to water over time. The children wet dishcloths and chose different locations in the playground to hang their washing. 4LA hung their wet cloth on a washing line near the benches, 4MS placed their cloth on the back fence and 4W put theirs on the side fence.

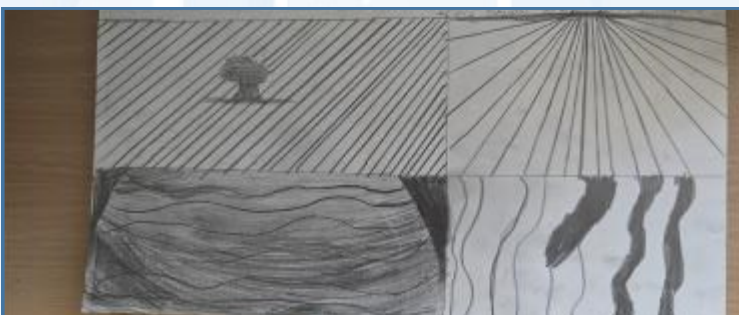
To ensure it was a fair test, the children checked that there was an equal amount of water on each cloth and then recorded its weight at the start of the experiment. The children then made observations of their cloths to see how much it had dried over the afternoon. The cloths were then weighed again to see how the water content had altered, with many of the children starting to understand that the water was evaporating in the sunny conditions of a windy day. By the end of the afternoon, all the dishcloths had dried and the children drew their conclusions that the best places for drying were on the back fence where there was lots of sunshine and plenty of wind.

## John Brunson Landscapes

This term, to link with our Food and Farming topic, we have been focusing on the work of John



Brunson. We sketched some landscapes in his style using techniques such as shading and outlining to create a layered effect and varying perspective.



## Times Tables Superstars!

In the early parts of this summer term, the children worked incredibly hard learning their times tables, ready for the Year 4 Multiplication Check.

We were extremely proud of the effort they put into the task and their determination to learn them all off by heart.

Well done Year 4 —  
You rock!



We were equally impressed by all the children's hard work on their Food and Farming projects—finding out about everything from chickens and cows, to crops and tractors. They did amazing research and presented their work beautifully—with some amazing artwork and even a Power Point presentation.

Thank you for all your support for the children—helping to bring their learning alive!

We will be sharing the children's hard work with the year group.

# News from Year 5

## African Drumming: The Wooden Roots Experience

To enhance our Music curriculum, the Year 5 children were treated to an African Drumming workshop, led by 'Wooden Roots'. There was an initial introduction to West African geography, culture and language. Following this, each child was taught how to use a Djembe drum and how to manipulate the pitch of the drum by changing their hand and finger positioning. The children learnt a range of different beats and rhythms, and developed their skills in order to be able to perform as a group.



## Geography Field Trip

As part of our Geography topic this term on 'Towns and Settlements', we have been focusing on the difference between human and physical geographical features. Our field trip in June took us on a walk from school, through the town centre and down to the beach. We carried out a traffic survey, with a focus on electric vehicles and the potential future positive impact to our environment. We also discussed transport, tourism and leisure activities, learning about the rise of Felixstowe as a tourist destination in the Victorian era.



## Year 2 and Year 5 Buddies

The Year 5 children were incredibly excited to finally meet their Year 2 buddies. Having made initial contact by writing to each other, they finally met on the whole school transition day. After eating lunch together on the field, a variety of activities were arranged, including an outdoor learning wildlife hunt in the Colneis wildlife area. We will look forward to meeting up again in September as the new Year 3 and Year 6.





# News from Year 6

Year 6 have had another busy half term; they have been preparing for their production, enjoyed learning outside, and even been on a couple of trips.

## Year 6 Production—Aladdin Trouble

The children auditioned, were selected and learnt lines and songs in preparation for their end of year 6 production. We have been very impressed with their acting skills and we're sure you felt as proud as we did as you saw them perform on stage.



## Duxford

On 19th June, the children were delighted to visit Duxford. They were especially excited to travel on a double decker bus! Whilst we were there, we saw Spitfires carrying out an air show, explored different hangers (full of a variety of planes including a Concorde), tried on uniforms and even managed to eat an ice cream. This visit really brought their learning to life.



## DT—Cushions

The children have designed their own cushion. They then screen printed on one side and used tie dye on the other to create a unique design. Once they had their material ready, they used their sewing skills to stitch the 2 pieces of fabric together and filled it with wadding.



## Outdoor Learning

We have been really lucky this half term as we have had lots of outdoor learning sessions. On 'Outdoor Education Day', the children took part in a variety of activities including willow weaving, following the willow trail and sketching flowers. They have also been able to go into the wildlife area to pond dip (they couldn't believe how much wildlife has moved in during the past year) and last week, they had an opportunity to weave their own fish.



# PE

## U11 Futsal

A fantastic afternoon of Futsal. Both of our teams played beautifully. The B team, who were playing in a development league, worked hard against all of their opponents and managed to improve with every performance. They really stood out for their teamwork and effort.

The A team worked equally as hard, finishing as runners up in their group and qualifying for the semi finals. A close 1 - 0 win in the semi final put them through to the final against Dale Hall. It was a very close game, eventually losing 2-0 but earning themselves a thoroughly deserved place in the County finals!



## U7 Dodgeball

A brilliant couple of teams went off to Dodgeball at the start of the term.

They competed so well and really grew into the competition, improving with every game. One of our teams managed to get through to the semi finals but all of the children deserve a big thank you for representing our school so beautifully!



## U7 Cricket

Another KS1 event and a similar high level of both competition and great behaviour. The children played all of their matches with a smile on their faces, developed their understanding of cricket and really demonstrated all of our school values throughout the event.

A real pleasure to take such a lovely group of children!

# PE

## U9 Cricket - Development

Local area development competition. The idea of these events are to bring the local schools together, with the support of Felixstowe School, and offer a variety of different events with a hope of attracting a few children to the cricket club too.

A fantastic team that played hard but also managed to support each other and their opponents throughout.

Well done everyone!



## U8 Football - Whitton

A super event to be part of. We are so well supported by our School Games Organisers with an array of events open to our children.

With U8 being a slightly new category and focus this year, we have been able to give Year 3 access to more than we have before and the girls played amazingly! Super competitive and came together as a really great team!

## U10 Football - Whitton

What a super team. A mixture of abilities but they came together at this festival beautifully. They all developed as the games went on and considering they were playing a year down (this was mainly Year 5 children) they did so well.

Girls football has had a lot of focus recently and we are really starting to see the benefits at school!



# PE

## U11 Netball



A fantastic development event. We don't play too much netball at school and so our children always find this a difficult sport to transition into. Their first game started with some confusion but by game three, they had a firm understanding of their positions and were playing with real confidence.

It was so important that they helped each other learn each role and even when playing as a substitute, they were there supporting their team.

A fantastic team.

## U11 Cricket - Compete

Cricket is always a hugely competitive and well attended event by lots of schools. We had done a little training in preparation for this but very much relied on their natural ability for this event.

Led beautifully by Fraser, they sorted their fielding positions, bowled with accuracy and unleashed some real power when batting! They were involved in some very close games, winning two and losing two by only a handful of runs!

Well done to all involved for representing our school with such passion.



# PE

## U11 Cricket - Development + U11 Cricket - Girls Development

One of a few development competitions to start the summer months properly.

We were able to take both a mixed development team and a girls team to an event in Ipswich.

Both teams competed well in what was a really nice and supportive atmosphere. There was a mixture of abilities within the teams which is so important as it gives all children the chance to develop something different. Some of our more experienced cricketers were giving advice and coaching through the morning whilst the others with slightly less experience were working hard to develop their skills.

A lovely couple of mornings in the sunshine!



## U9 Football @ St Joseph's College

A brilliant festival. Events at St Joseph's College are always well run and in a lovely setting too. This was a Suffolk FA Festival and all festival based meaning there were no scores taken or points recorded.

The focus was on scoring goals and having fun which our children definitely did! There were goals flying in from all over the pitch and gave us great confidence that we will have a very good football team over the next few years!



# PE

## Sailing with E.A.S.T

Another new favourite. In partnership with EAST (East Anglian Sailing Trust) and School Games we were able to offer a SEND focused sailing enrichment event. It was actually too windy on the day to go out in the sailing boats but we were able to go out in the rescue boats.

The children had an amazing time. The weather was nice and warm as we zipped up and down the Orwell and we even managed to see a seal!

An amazing organisation and a massive thank you to all involved for being able to provide such an opportunity.



# PE

## U11 Cricket - Felixstowe Schools

Another local area tournament, well supported by Felixstowe School and their young leaders.

We were able to take three different teams to this event. The Year 6 team had already played one tournament together and their experience really showed. The two Year 5 teams played brilliantly and this allowed Colneis to leave the competition as overall winners!

Well done Colneis!



## U9 Quad Kids

Unfortunately the U11 event was rained off the day before but we were lucky with the weather and had a really nice afternoon. It is always a hard event to judge how you have done as the children achieve points over the afternoon in each of the four events. However, we were delighted to leave the event with a third place finish! Our highest placed finish ever! Incredibly proud of the effort that they put in over the course of the afternoon and a massive well done to all of them!



# PE

## Trampolining @ Felixstowe School

Another enrichment event and a wonderful chance for our children to experience something completely different to what we can usually offer.

The High School kindly gave us access to their trampolines and children from primary schools across Felixstowe came together for a very different experience.

Some of the children had previous experience and for others it was the first time that they had ever stepped foot on the trampoline. Mostly, these events are about introducing the children to teachers and young leaders from Felixstowe School and aiding any transition for those that choose that as the next step on their journey.

A very big thank you to the PE department at Felixstowe School!



## Area Sports

Wow! What a brilliant afternoon of racing! Area Sports is always an extremely competitive and high pressured afternoon as Colneis have a very long standing history of bringing this trophy home.

I am very pleased to tell you that once again, competing fantastically well as a team, Colneis were able to secure first position for what is now the 9th year running and for about the 21st time in the last 22 years.





# PE

## Platinum School Games Mark!

We are delighted to announce that we, Colneis Junior School, have achieved the Platinum School Games Mark Award for the 2023/24 academic year.

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

Our sporting achievements this year include:

Number of competitions entered - 65 separate development and competitive events

Children attending events - 80% of KS2 - 280 children

A high number of children from KS1 represented their class in the Premier Dance show and also attended a dodgeball, cricket and SEND festival.

Competitions;

- Local area champions in swimming, football, cricket, cross country and area sports
- A third place finish at U9 Quad Kids - a large Ipswich Athletics event - our highest place ever!
- Cross Country at RHS where we had the top performing Year 4 boys and Year 5 girls team.
- The Premier dance shows which continue to be a massive success
- Our under 11 Girls Futsal team making the County Finals!

With a total of 284 young people from KS2 competing in local inter-school competitions this year, we are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible.

As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.





## COLNEIS NEWS

Summer Edition

### Let The Fun Begin!

Welcome to the 3rd edition of Colneis News, brought to you by the members of Writers' Club in Year 5. The children have worked tirelessly in an extremely busy term; giving up their lunch hours to work hard on the newspaper. We hope you will agree that they have done a great job!

Thank you to all the talented young writers, artists and designers who have helped to make it happen:

Leah, Lara, Ivy, Lisa, Lila, Alexia, Charlotte, Ellie, Gwen, Daisy, Jasmine and Erica.

Also many thanks to Mr Crump, Mrs Steele, Mrs Monk and Mrs Jacobs who agreed to be interviewed for this edition.

So read on and find out some fab ideas on how to keep happy and busy over the holidays and discover how your favourite teachers like to spend the summer break.

#### Summer Jokes by Erica

Q – Why did the beach ball leave the beach?

A – Because it was tired of getting thrown around!

Q – Why don't skeletons like summer holidays?

A – Because they have no body to go with them!

If you want some ideas on how to make your summer holidays sizzling good fun, then read these brilliant ideas of how to spend your long, lazy days. Even better, they won't cost you a penny!

Cheap Summertime 'Top Tips' by

Leah and Gwen

- Go swimming with your family at the beach
- Go to the park with your friends
- Have a picnic that you have made
- Cycle around Felixstowe and the surrounding countryside
- Take a walk and look at nature
- Read a book outside
- Fly a kite
- Have a barbecue
- Do some gardening
- Go to Christchurch Mansion
- Go to Landguard Nature Reserve or visit a Suffolk Wildlife Trust venue

#### And if it rains!

- Karaoke
- Family Game Night
- Dance or read!



# Teachers on Holiday

Read on and find out how your favourite members of staff have fun in the sun!

Mrs Steele interviewed by Ivy and Lara

What has been your favourite holiday that you have been on?

Nolton Haven in Pembrokeshire.

What is your favourite place to go on holiday and why?

I spent all my childhood holidays in Nolton Haven so I love it there. Otherwise, I like to go to France.

What is your favourite place in Felixstowe to go to in the holidays?

Felixstowe Ferry

What summer books would you recommend to children and adults?

For adults I would recommend any books by authors Rachel Abbott and Taylor-Jenkins Reid. For children anything by Michael Morpurgo.

What is your favourite, non alcoholic summer drink?

Lemonade and Lime

What do you enjoy doing the most on holiday?

Swimming, reading, relaxing and drinking (wine)

Mrs Steele's dream destination—Nolton Haven



## Make your own summer holiday non-alcoholic drink—Homemade Lemonade

### Ingredients

3 unwaxed lemons roughly chopped

140gms caster sugar

1 Litre of cold water



### STEP 1

Tip the lemons, sugar and half the water into a food processor and blend until the lemon is finely chopped.

### STEP 2

Pour the mixture into a sieve over a bowl, then press through as much juice as you can. Top up with the remaining water and serve with plain ice or frozen with slices of lemon and lime.

## More Teacher Holiday Fun!

Mrs Monk interviewed by Alexia, Lisa and Leah

**What has been your favourite holiday that you have been on?**

When I went to Thailand

**What is your favourite place to go on holiday and why?**

Thailand or Menorca—the weather, beautiful scenery and beaches

**Do you like to do activities on your holiday and what do you like doing?**

Water sports, sailing and relaxing

**What is your favourite place in Felixstowe to go to in the holidays?**

Felixstowe Ferry for ice-cream and crabbing

**What summer books would you recommend to children and adults?**

Anything by Michael Morpurgo. My favourite is the Butterfly Lion

**What is your favourite, non alcoholic summer drink?**

Lemonade and Lime

**What do you enjoy doing the most on holiday?**

Swimming in the sea and exploring new things and places.



Menorca - Mrs Monk's favourite holiday destination

## A Write Good Read

The summer holidays are the perfect time to have a go at writing your own story. All you need to get going is a piece of paper and pencil—so what's stopping you. Make this summer the holidays you start work on becoming an author, just like Charlotte did. And the best thing is, great stories don't have to be very long!

### Summer Story by Charlotte

The hot sun baked down upon the town of Azakira; the scorching hot sand burning people's feet, as tourists darted through the crowded market, towards the story-like, sun-coated beach.

Looming over the cove, were titanic, towering cliffs that held views that one would pay millions of pounds to see. A thatched cottage stood on the very edge of the cliff. In there lived Daphne Saker.

Daphne sat on her kitchen counter, with her little sister Jazmine perched on her knees.

"Mum, come on!" she cried, as Jaz started getting impatient.

Just then, a tall woman with curly ginger hair and sapphire-blue eyes skipped into the room; an older version of Daphne and Jaz.

"Come on then, let's gooo!" she exclaimed.

And so they trekked down the steep cliff path, Daphne gripping a basket containing a scrumptious picnic, and Jaz bouncing ahead.

Eventually, they arrived at the luxurious beach. The girls got into their swimsuits and sprinted into the cascading waves.

"Make a wish," yelled Jaz, as a wave broke.

"I wish ...." began Daphne, "I wish that we have the BEST summer holiday EVER ....."

*And Charlotte hopes you do too!*



### Summer Quiz Answers

- 1) 1978,
- 2) Paris,
- 3) Strawberries and Cream,
- 4) Lover

## How to make a Dragon Puppet by Ellie

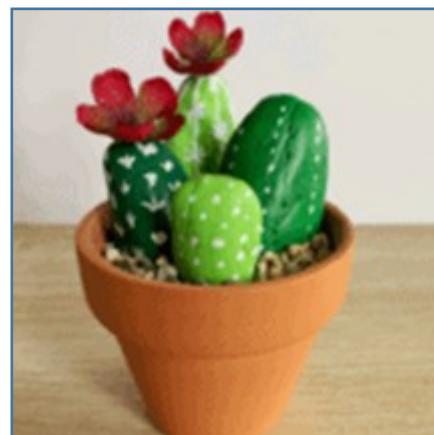


Want to get crafty over the summer holidays? Try making one of Ellie's amazing dragon puppets. Here are her simple step-by-step instructions.

1. Grab a piece of paper and roll it up.
2. Pat it down and tape it so it's like a flat sausage.
3. Fold it into a horseshoe shape and press it down again, so it looks like a flat pointed 'v' shape.
4. Repeat the process, so you have two 'v' shapes.
5. Open out the 'v' shape and place on a piece of paper and trace the triangular shape. Repeat again.
6. Cut out both of the triangles and decorate with your dragon face. One triangle becomes the head, eyes and upper jaw. The other triangle becomes the lower jaw.
7. Customise your design—adding on any extra parts (scales etc) that will make your design come alive.
8. Stick the upper dragon's face to one of the sideways 'v' shapes and the lower dragon's face to the other sideways 'v' shape.
9. Tape both parts of the dragon's face together to form your puppet.
10. Place your fingers in the top 'v' and your thumb in the bottom 'v' and start the puppet show!



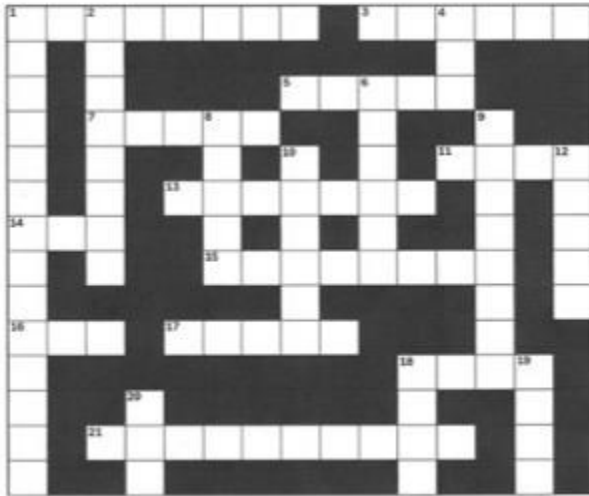
Ellie's own brilliant dragon puppet design.



## Step by Step Guide on how to make 'Cactus Rocks ' by Gwen

- 1) Firstly, find 4 small, smooth pebbles on the beach and wash them until they are completely clean.
- 2) Pat with a towel or tissue to dry.
- 3) Whilst they are drying, prepare your plant pot, by filling it with small stones.
- 4) Fill the pot up with stones, but leave spaces for the cactus rocks.
- 5) When the pebbles are fully dry, cover them completely in green paint.
- 6) When the painted pebbles are dry, add the spikes with pen, and any other decorations such as flowers made from paper or modelling clay. Secure with glue.

## Summer Crossword



- 1) **ACROSS:** Something you might wear when you swim in the sea (8)
- 1) **DOWN:** the longest day of the year- 21<sup>st</sup> of June (13)
- 2) A cold treat you often have at the beach when it is hot (8)
- 3) A place where there are games and prizes you can win – lots of flashing and bright light – noisy (6)
- 4) A type of transport that you might use to get to holiday places that are not too far away (3)
- 5) A name for someone showing off on the beach (5)
- 6) A sound you might make when you jump into the water (6)
- 7) Fish and \_\_\_\_\_, – watch out for seagulls! (5)
- 8) A place you might go to swim (plural) (5)
- 9) An outside grill you can cook meat on (8)
- 10) You might spread a blanket on the ground to eat (6)
- 11) These get longer in summertime (4)
- 12) A space out of the sunlight, often under trees (5)
- 13) A time when you go away to a nice place where you stay (7)
- 14) A big stretch of water that you visit in the summer (3)
- 15) Synonym – sunlight, daylight, sun (8)
- 16) The big ball of fire in the sky (3)
- 17) A place to get ice cream with sand and sea (5)
- 18) **ACROSS:** A long platform going out to sea which sometimes have shops on (4)
- 18) **DOWN:** A grassy place with benches and occasionally places to play (4)
- 19) A plant with thorns that can come out in summer (8)
- 20) Synonym – Enjoyment, happiness, pleasure (3)
- 21) A flower named after the ball of fire in the sky (plural) (9)



## More Teacher Holiday Fun! - Mrs Jacobs interviewed by Gwendoline and Charlotte

**What has been your favourite holiday that you have been on?**

I love holidays, so it is really hard to pick a favourite one. I would have to say Norway—visiting the Norwegian Fjords.

**What is your favourite place to go on holiday and why?**

I loved Norway because it is so beautiful and I got to see a glacier. I would also recommend North Norfolk.

**Do you like to do activities on your holiday and what do you like doing?**

I enjoy walking and reading to relax.

**What is your favourite place in Felixstowe to go to in the holidays?**

I like going down for a walk at the Ferry.

**What summer books would you recommend to children and adults?**

I love 'Cosmic' and 'The Last Wild'

**What is your favourite, non alcoholic summer drink?**

I love Diet Coke—it's my favourite!

**What do you enjoy doing the most on holiday?**

Relaxing and spending time with my family and dogs.





SUMMER  
WORD SEARCH

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S	U	N	M	L	R	B	L	L	A	U	Y
T	B	A	R	B	E	C	U	E	Y	F	M

Beach	Seashells	Summer fair
Holiday	Crabs	Ice Cream
Sun	Turtle	Pool
Seagulls	Sandcastle	Sunglasses
Fish	Picnic	Barbecue

Have fun with our Summer Wordsearch by Alexia

**More Summer Art ideas from Ellie**

- Do an observational drawing of an animal, the beach, the horizon, flowers, nature or a fruit bowl
- Try your hand at an abstract drawing or recreate the work of a famous artist
- Make a collage dedicated to your favourite artist or author. Collage the page and write the artist or author's name in bold and then cover the page with illustrations that you have drawn, which reminds you of them.



**Hee, Hee, Hee—Summer Jokes !**

by Erica and Charlotte

**Q. Why didn't the elephant take a suitcase on holiday?**

**A. Because he already had a trunk!**

**Q. Where do birds go on holiday?**

**A. The Canary Islands**

**Q. What do sheep do on nice summer days?**

**A. Go to a baa-baa-cue!**

**Q. Where do sharks go on holiday?**

**A. Finland**

**Q. Do fish go on holiday?**

**A. No because they are always in school!**

**Summer Quiz—by Lila**

**1. What year was 'Grease ' released?**

**A) 1978**

**B) 1980**

**C) 1982**

**2. Which city will host the next summer Olympics?**

**A) London**

**B) Paris**

**C) Tokyo**

**3. What dessert is eaten at Wimbledon tennis tournament?**

**A) Strawberry Ice-Pops**

**B) Strawberry Shortcake**

**C) Strawberries and Cream**

**4. What Taylor Swift album has the song 'Cruel Summer'?**

**A) Reputation**

**B) Fearless**

**C) Lover**

Answers on  
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## More Teacher Holiday Fun!

Mr Crump interviewed by Ellie and Lila

What has been your favourite holiday that you have been on?

Gran Canaria

What is your favourite place to go on holiday and why?

It's always very hot and sunny and they have nice swimming pools and beaches. I also like going to the Peak District.

Do you like to do activities on your holiday and what do you like doing?



Scuba diving and jet-skiing when I am in Gran Canaria

What is your favourite place in Felixstowe to go to in the holidays?

Beach Street and the beach

What summer books would you recommend to children and adults?

The Hobbit, Lord of the Rings and Harry Potter

What is your favourite, non alcoholic summer drink?

Orange juice with lots of ice.

What do you enjoy doing the most on holiday?

Spending time with my children and family.



Easy Pita bread pizzas - Perfect for a summer picnic!



Slice with pizza cutter and enjoy

- Brush on a little olive oil on the pita.
- Spread tomato sauce on top of the pita.
- Sprinkle on the shredded cheese.
- Sprinkle on pinches of desired herbs and spices, and add any toppings you'd like.
- Place on baking sheet, bake for 5-7 minutes at 400°, or until cheese is melted (times may vary).

Have a fantastic Summer Holiday from everyone in Year 5 Writers' Club



# The Friends of Fairfield and Colneis

FRIENDS OF FAIRFIELD AND COLNEIS 2024

**WE DONATED**

**£14,675**



### DONATION DETAILS...

- Colneis scooter shed (£3000)
- \*Yr 1 Petting zoo & resources (£650)
- Colneis eco wall mural (£400)
- EYFS resources (£500)
- Fairfield library renovation (£3000)
- Colneis nature area paths (£350)
- Event speaker & microphone (£264)

### DONATION DETAILS...

- Fairfield pantomime (£500)
- Yr 2 outdoor area (£2000)
- Colneis pantomime (£500)
- \*Yr 2 trip transport (£448)
- Woodwork club resources (£500)
- SEND book donation (£255)
- Donation to Colneis year groups (£1200)

### DONATION DETAILS...

- Year 2 leavers disco (£150)
- Year 6 leavers disco (£95)
- \*Yr R interactive whiteboard (£689)
- Yr 6 production and leavers party (£174)

**What a year!**  
Thank you to all of our volunteers, parents, carers and school staff for helping to organise, run and support events!

\*Money raised from class cake sales

Thank you to the Friends of Fairfield and Colneis committee for all their hard work, and thank you to our school community for your continued support.

# Term Dates

## Academic Year: Term dates for 2024-2025

### Autumn term:

<b>Start of Autumn term:</b>	Wednesday 4th September 2024
<b>Half term:</b>	Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November 2024
<b>End of Autumn term:</b>	Friday 20th December 2024
<b>PD (non school) days:</b>	Monday 2nd September 2024 Tuesday 3rd September 2024

### Spring term:

<b>Start of Spring term:</b>	Tuesday 7th January 2025
<b>Half term:</b>	Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February 2025
<b>End of Spring term:</b>	Friday 4th April 2025
<b>PD (non school) day:</b>	Monday 6th January 2025

### Summer term:

<b>Start of Summer term:</b>	Wednesday 23rd April 2025
<b>May Bank Holiday:</b>	Monday 5th May 2025
<b>Half term:</b>	Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May 2025
<b>End of Summer term:</b>	Tuesday 22nd July 2025
<b>PD (non school) days:</b>	Tuesday 22nd April 2025 Friday 23rd May 2025

## Next Academic Year: Term dates for 2025-2026

### Autumn term:

<b>Start of Autumn term:</b>	Wednesday 3rd September 2025
<b>Half term:</b>	Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October 2025
<b>End of Autumn term:</b>	Friday 19th December 2025
<b>PD (non school) days:</b>	Monday 1st September 2025 Tuesday 2nd September 2025

### Spring term:

<b>Start of Spring term:</b>	Tuesday 6th January 2026
<b>Half term:</b>	Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February 2026
<b>End of Spring term:</b>	Friday 27th March 2026
<b>PD (non school) day:</b>	Monday 5th January 2026

### Summer term:

<b>Start of Summer term:</b>	Monday 13th April 2026
<b>May Bank Holiday:</b>	Monday 4th May 2026
<b>Half term:</b>	Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May 2026
<b>End of Summer term:</b>	Friday 17th July 2026
<b>PD (non school) days:</b>	Friday 22nd May 2026 Monday 20th July 2026