

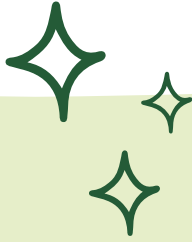


# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 16

## 16TH MAY



‘Transforming lives through inspirational learning’



### YEAR 6: SATS, SMILES & SAUSAGES!

This week, every Year 6 pupil across England sat their SATs—and while tests are rarely described as fun, our incredible pioneers tackled them with resilience, positivity, and determination. Throughout the week, they truly embodied our 6C's, and we couldn't be prouder of their hard work, dedication, and ever-present smiles! Our independent observers all commented on how calm and positive the whole class were throughout.

A huge thank you goes to our amazing PFA (and their volunteers) for organising a special breakfast club each morning to help our pupils start their day right. The delicious offerings—including bacon rolls, sausages, bagels and more—were a hit with everyone and gave our pupils a chance to relax and socialise before their tests.

We're extremely grateful to the local businesses who generously sponsored the breakfasts: Ant Finch - Vendor Rocket, P&B Flooring, Thoroughbred Doors Royston, Mighty Mug, CLEGG Construction, and Newmarket Tesco. Their support made a real difference and helped make the week a memorable one for our children.



To round off the week, Year 6 celebrated in style with a well-earned non-uniform day and a variety of fun activities—bringing the SATs week to a joyful close.

Well done, Year 6! We are incredibly proud of each and every one of you

## LUNCH TIME IN THE GREAT OUTDOORS...

As part of our ongoing commitment to outdoor learning and wellbeing, we're delighted that children can now enjoy their lunch in our much-loved picnic area. With the recent spell of glorious weather, it's been a real hit, and pupils have thoroughly enjoyed the chance to dine al fresco.



As our site continues to develop, we're excited to expand and enhance these outdoor opportunities even further.

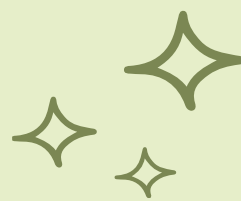
To help us keep this space safe and enjoyable for everyone, we kindly ask that glass containers are not sent into school. We've had a few recent breakages, which pose a safety risk to the children. Your support in this matter is greatly appreciated

## OTHER OUTDOOR NEWS...

Unfortunately, the driest spring on record has slowed the growth of our newly seeded grass, which has delayed the next stage of development. However, we're pleased to share that the local authority will be installing an external tap and pump next week, which should help resolve the issue and support the grass in establishing more quickly.

We know the children are eager to get back onto the field, and we're hopeful that with a little more time (and water!), we'll have some positive news to share very soon.

The rest of the planned grounds improvements—including the creation of the Hedgehog outdoor learning area and the new play surfacing—are still on track for the summer holidays, with tree and shrub planting scheduled for early autumn.



# VE DAY CELEBRATIONS – A DAY TO REMEMBER!



This week, our school was filled with colour, music and a wonderful sense of community as we came together to celebrate VE Day.

Marking Victory in Europe Day is a special way for our children to learn about an important moment in history, and they certainly embraced the occasion with enthusiasm and pride.

Children across the school looked fantastic dressed in red, white, and blue, proudly wearing the colours of the Union Jack to honour the spirit of the day.

During our special Celebration Assembly, held in honour of VE Day, Year 5 impressed us all with a powerful and moving performance poem, capturing the spirit and emotion of the time. The assembly also included a moment of reflection as we listened to Winston Churchill's iconic speech, bringing history to life and helping us all appreciate the significance of this important day.

One of the highlights of the day was our whole school sing-along, where pupils and staff joined voices in a joyful celebration. The sound of singing echoed through the school and reminded us all of the power of unity and remembrance. The spirit of the day has clearly stayed with us—there have even been a few spontaneous renditions of “It’s a Long Way to Tipperary” during playtimes!

Thank you to everyone who helped make the day so special – from organising outfits to singing your hearts out. It was a meaningful, memorable celebration and a wonderful example of our school community coming together





Come and join  
our



# GARDEN CAFE

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May  
from  
1.30 onwards

Whether you would like to spend some time  
helping us out in the garden  
or just come for a  
cuppa and some cake.

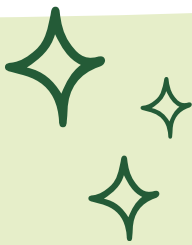
We would love you to help us celebrate our  
RHS level 4 certificate achievement  
and to launch our 'sharing shed'

All Welcome





## WHATS HAPPENING LOCALLY...





# Sew Good

For men or women  
Starts May 13th





Repairs and alterations



Use a machine



Projects with a pattern

**Monthly group - 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday**  
**1-3pm**  
St Christopher's Church  
Boundary Road, Red Lodge

**Our Contact:**  
[Lightwavecafes@gmail.com](mailto:Lightwavecafes@gmail.com)





# HELPING HANDS

SPORTS PAVILION  
RED LODGE



**FREE DRINKS AND BISCUITS**



**BUDGETS  
JOB SEARCH  
FORM FILLING**



**FOOD BANK**



**SIT AND CHAT**



**MONDAYS**

**9:30-12:00**



**TOYS**

# PFA NEWS



## RED LODGE BEER & MUSIC FESTIVAL

REAL ALES | CIDERS | COCKTAILS  
BBQ | ICE CREAM | TUCK SHOP  
BOUNCY CASTLES | MAGICIAN | CRAFTS | GAMES  
\*\*\*NEW FOR 2025 - GEARED ENTERTAINMENT PHOTO BOOTH\*\*\*

### PERFORMANCES BY :

- 3 OG's + Special Guest
- Akimbo
- Surge
- Ska-Dust
- The Sixteenths
- The Arkies
- Ed Sheeran Tribute
- The Gigmasters

**24**

May, 2025

RED LODGE  
MILLENNIUM  
CENTRE  
Lavender Close  
IP28 8TT

Start At  
12 NOON

12 MIDNIGHT

For ticket purchases and other information please visit:  
[www.lineupnow.com/event/red-lodge-beer-music-festival-2025](http://www.lineupnow.com/event/red-lodge-beer-music-festival-2025)



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### TICKET INFORMATION

ADULT TICKET (Over 18s) - £13 (Online in Advance) / £15 (On Day)  
(includes 4 half pint vouchers to be used at a real ale & cider bar)

SENIOR CITIZENS TICKET (Over 65s) - £10 (Online in Advance) / £12 (On day)  
(includes 4 half pint vouchers to be used at a real ale & cider bar)

CHILDREN & YOUNG PERSONS GO FREE (Under 18s)



The PFA are in need of  
volunteers for the Red  
Lodge Music and Beer  
Festival. If you are able  
to spare some time  
please email  
[pfa@pinesprimary.org](mailto:pfa@pinesprimary.org)

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## RED LODGE MUSIC FESTIVAL RAFFLE

We have sent home 5 raffle tickets per family. Each ticket costs £1. Please fill out the stubs, and return to school with cash in an envelope by 20th May. If you'd like more, just reach out to the PFA! For information on prizes please see music festival details.

If you're not interested in buying tickets, please return them to the school.



# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



22nd  
May

Reception Class visit to Lackford Lakes

22nd  
May

Wellbeing Garden Café

24th  
May

PFA are supporting Red Lodge Beer Festival

26th-30th  
May

Half Term

13th  
June

PFA Quiz night - save the date, more details soon

23rd-  
25th  
June

Y6 Residential

22nd  
July

Last day of term

