



Laying the foundations for a bright future

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A little note from Mrs FitzGerald...

Wow, what a great week we have had! All the children have been very engaged and enthusiastic in their learning and managing the warm weather admirably.

A big 'well done' goes to Hares Class who shared a fantastically informative Class Presentation this morning related to their 'Revolution' theme and focused on their learning about life as a Victorian child. It was lovely that lots of parents and carers of children in Hares Class were able to come along, I know like us, you were very proud of them ~ they did a brilliant job!

We are looking forward to our family picnic and sports afternoon on Thursday next week ~ we hope you will be able to come along!

Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Best regards, Mrs FitzGerald

It has been another sunny week and the forecast remains the same for the week ahead. With this in mind please remember your child needs their water bottle every day to stay hydrated and a sunhat and sun-cream would be very helpful too!

Many thanks!



School Meals ~ An Update

You will remember earlier this year I wrote to you about the increases to our catering service costs as well as highlighting the increase in food prices. When the additional costs began in April the governing body made the decision to cover the shortfall between the income from school meals and all costs associated with providing meals for our pupils within the Federation in the short-term given the limited notice provided as well as the economic climate.

Unfortunately, this is not something we can sustain for the long term without impacting teaching and learning provision, therefore, reluctantly, we will be increasing the prices of school meals from £2.30 (static since 2014) to £2.50 from the start of the new academic year in September 2023.

This does not affect those of you whose child/ren have school meals through the government's 'universal free school meal' offer for children in Reception through to Year 2 or entitlement due to eligibility for Pupil Premium Funding.

MORNING SPORTS CLUB / AFTER SCHOOL CLUB ON A WEDNESDAY ~ REMINDER

Earlier this term we shared with you the popularity of the additional childcare we facilitate through the provision of daily morning sports club and our after-school club on a Wednesday. We highlighted the need to increase the staffing levels within these clubs to ensure all aspects of child protection and safeguarding are met and the health and safety of those in attendance is assured.

As was shared at the time whilst we will continue to subsidise the costs incurred, primarily using our PE and Sports Funding, we cannot financially support the increase to staff costs.

This is a reminder that from the start of the new academic year in September 2023 attendance at morning sports club and after-school club will incur a 'flat-rate' charge of £2.00 per session, per child.

Places will continue to be limited, allocated on a first come, first served basis and priority given to working parents and those in receipt of pupil premium funding. from the start of the new academic year in September 2023.

To use this facility please book your place with the School Office and be sure to make your payments in advance using the usual online facility.

As before, we direct working families with extended childcare requirements to our associate 'HAPPY DAYS CHILDCARE'. They are located a mere 8 minutes from us, just off the A143 and have provision available from 7am until 6.30pm, Monday to Friday, including transport to and from school and light meals as needed. Sessions cost from £8.00. HAPPY DAYS CHILDCARE can be contacted on 01440 8290027 and via email at hello@happy-days-childcare.co.uk

REPORTING ABSENCE / GENERAL QUERIES

Please note all absences, need to be reported to the School Office in the first instance. Mrs Sanders, is responsible for attendance reporting and whilst we very much appreciate parents updating Class Teachers via Class Dojo, it is vital this information is shared directly with the School Office as soon as possible.

Where possible, please arrange medical appointments outside of school hours, but if your child needs to go to an appointment, please provide the school with an appointment card or letter.

Mrs Sanders, can be contacted by telephoning 01440 783281 or via email at admin@thurlowschool.co.uk The school office is also best placed to support with general queries related to morning sports club, football club, school meals, payments and so on.

For learning related matters, it is, of course, your child's Class Teacher you need to speak to and the easiest and quickest way for this is via our learning platform, Class Dojo.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Please check back regularly as additional dates added as and when activities / visits are confirmed!

SUMMER TERM 2023

Tuesday 27th June ~ Wellbeing Workshops ~ more information to follow

Thursday 29th June ~ THURLOW SPORTS AFTERNOON

Join us from lunchtime for a picnic lunch followed by our sports afternoon

Friday 30th June ~ Otters Class Presentation at 9am

Parents, carers and 'special others' of children in Otters Class are invited to join us.

Thursday 6th July ~ Year 6 Leaver's Trip to Pleasurewood Hills

Friday 7th July ~ Butterflies Class Presentation at 9am

Parents, carers and 'special others' of children in Butterflies Class are invited to join us.

(Monday 10th July to Wednesday 12th July ~ Stour Valley Transition Days for Year 6)

Friday 14th July ~ Annual School Reports distributed

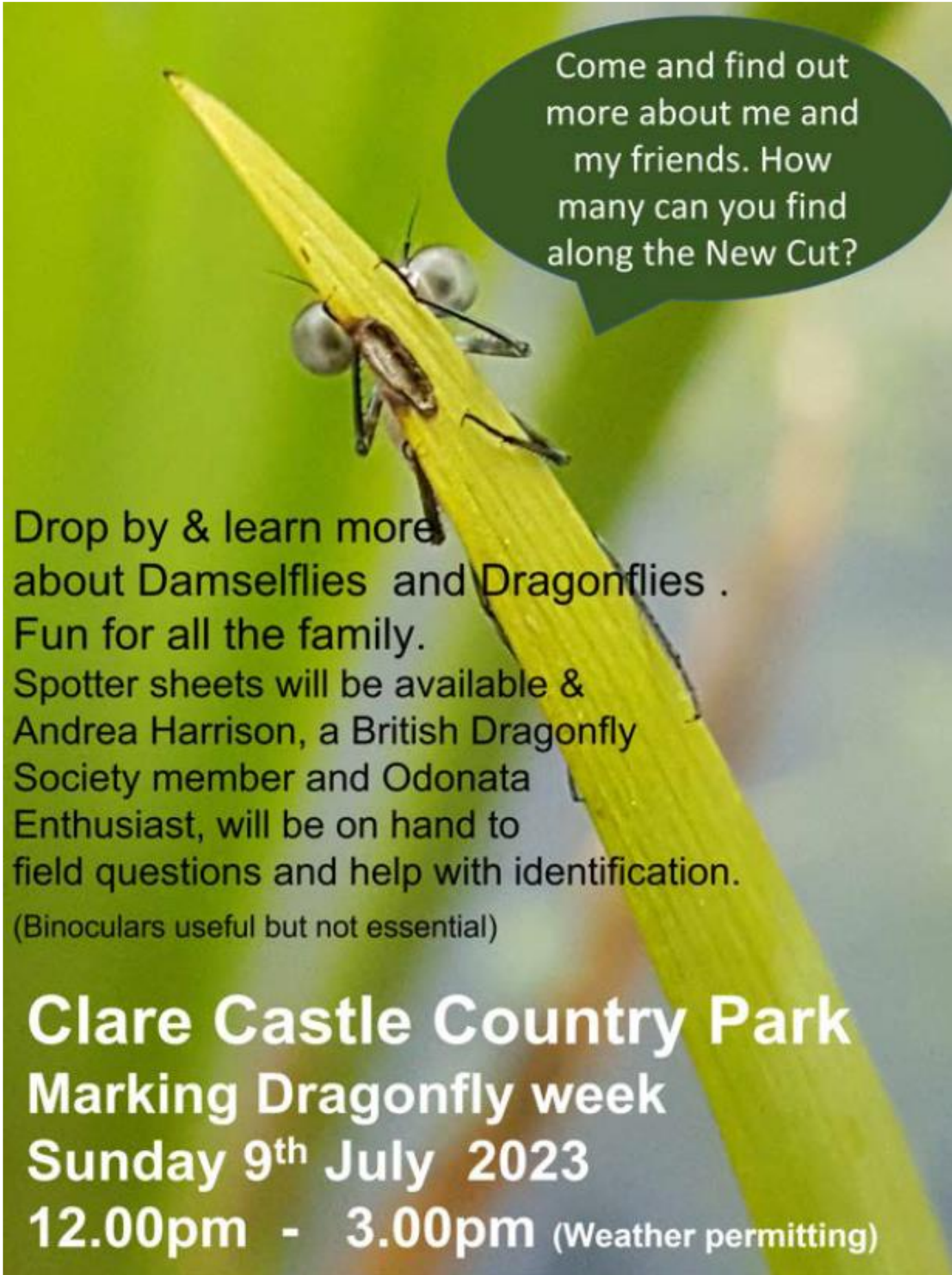
FRIDAY 14TH JULY ~ YEAR 6 LEAVER'S PRESENTATION

Year 6 Parents, carers and 'special others' are invited to this special celebration presentation

(Wednesday 19th July to Friday 21st July ~ Unity School Transition Days for Year 6)

Wednesday 19th July and Thursday 20th July ~ 'MOVE UP' DAYS for all pupils

Friday 21st July ~ LAST DAY OF TERM

A close-up photograph of a damselfly nymph perched on a yellow reed stem. The nymph has large, prominent eyes and a segmented body. A dark green speech bubble is positioned above the nymph, containing white text. The background is a soft-focus green.

Come and find out
more about me and
my friends. How
many can you find
along the New Cut?

Drop by & learn more
about Damselflies and Dragonflies .

Fun for all the family.

Spotter sheets will be available &
Andrea Harrison, a British Dragonfly
Society member and Odonata
Enthusiast, will be on hand to
field questions and help with identification.

(Binoculars useful but not essential)

Clare Castle Country Park

Marking Dragonfly week

Sunday 9th July 2023

12.00pm - 3.00pm (Weather permitting)

24th July – 1st September 2023

SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS

ON TOUR!

📍 SAMUEL WARD ACADEMY, HAVERHILL



Camp Information:

Nerf & Laser Tag Camp

Every Tuesday

Inflatable Fun Camp

Every Monday & Tuesday

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Every Wednesday & Thursday

Mega Sports Camp

Every Monday & Friday

Dodgeball Camp

Every Thursday

Mini Olympics

Every Wednesday



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