

FARTHINGHOE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents, Carers, Governors and Friends,

I was so very sorry to have missed seeing the children all dressed up on Thursday - World Book Day is one of my favourite occasions. At the Headteachers' Conference I was attending, there was not a costume in sight!

Today, at parents' evening, you will be given your child's 'Reading Journey' pamphlet. This is a collection of books by high quality authors which have been carefully chosen to represent the wide variety of children's literature. We want to encourage children to read widely and be rewarded for their reading. During buddy reading on Fridays, the children will be able to talk about the books they have read and get a stamp in their pamphlet. The aim is for the children to read 3 of these high quality books during each academic year. School Ties have kindly purchased multiple copies of these books; they are kept in the library, for the children to help themselves to on Friday afternoons.

Best wishes,

Wendy Whitehouse

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 9th March - Parent - Teacher meetings after school

Wednesday 11th March, 3.45pm - Woodford Halse Cross Country for keystage 2

Monday 16th - Wednesday 18th March - Liddington Residential trip for years 3 and 4

Monday 16th March - EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 trip to Everdon Field Studies Centre

Friday 20th March, 3.15pm - School Ties after school cake sale

Thursday 2nd & Friday 3rd March - Bikeability training for years 5 and 6

Friday 3rd April, 2.30pm - Easter Bonnet Parade and Assembly at Farthinghoe Church - please note, change of time

Friday 3rd April - END OF TERM

Thursday 23rd April - Girls on Track, Dare to be Different Experience at Silverstone for years 3 and 4 girls (more details to follow)

Coronavirus Update for PGL Liddington Residential and Everdon Field Studies Centre trips

At present, there are no plans to cancel either of the above trips. Each day, we receive an update from the Department of Education regarding hygiene practise in school. Their current position is that if a school is following the hand washing and personal hygiene guidelines, school life should continue as normal. However, a residential trip to a centre where children will come into contact with pupils from other areas of the

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country, may come with certain restrictions. We are looking forward to the trip and PGL are keeping in regular contact with us. If the government guidelines were to change, we would obviously follow them and keep you informed.

After School Club - Monday 9th March

Please be reminded that there will be no coding club after school today (9th), as parent-teacher meetings will be taking place in the classrooms.

World Book Day

Thank you so much for all the effort that went into the costumes - the children had a lovely day. It was great to see the wide variety of books the children are reading.

If any child didn't receive their 'World Book Day' token, please pop into the office, as Mrs Thompson has a few spare.

Woodford Halse Academy Cross Country for keystone 2

Good Luck to our 13 runners, taking place in this week's cross country event at Woodford Halse. Please be reminded that parents will need to collect their child/ren from school at 3pm.

Brackley Carnival Programme Competition

Primary school children from Brackley and surrounding villages are invited to design the programme cover for this year's Brackley Carnival. The carnival theme is 'Heroes of the World' and if your child would like to take part, please speak to Mrs Thompson for an entry form. The closing date for entries is Wednesday 1st April.

School Ties Treasurer vacancy

School Ties have asked us once again to reach out to any parent that may be willing to support the School Ties team by becoming Treasurer. Mr Boyd would like to step down from the post in the coming months. If you would like to learn more about what the role entails, please speak to Mrs Balthasar (Olivia's Mum).

Everdon Field Studies Centre trip for EYFS, year 1 and year 2

We still have a number of children that have not returned their permission slip and voluntary contribution, for the upcoming trip to Everdon. We would be grateful if these can be returned as soon as possible.

Antibacterial Hand Gel in School

We are continuing to reiterate to the children, the importance of washing their hands. As previously mentioned, we are happy that if you would like to send a small antibacterial hand gel to school with your child, you are more than welcome to. This should be small enough to fit in their coat pockets.

School Lunch bookings

Please ensure that your child has a school meal booked for the day. Bookings can be made up to 9am by parents, or school office can book a meal up to 9.45am.

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