

# FARTHINGHOE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER 15 – 17<sup>th</sup> May 2019



Dear Parents, Carers, Governors and Friends,

The KS2 SATs went smoothly last week. An early morning breakfast each day was well received and set the tone for a calm start to the daily tests. Year 6 pupils felt they were well prepared for the tests, and that the small group work with Mr Elson supported gains in knowledge and understanding. The children could not have worked harder - we are all very proud of them.

Key Stage 2 papers have been sent off for external marking. We expect the results back during the second week of July – these, KS1 and EYFS Assessments will be published in Annual Pupil Reports.

The children in year 2 have also shown 'great learning attitudes' as they completed their Year 2 SATs. These papers are marked internally and used to inform class teacher assessments.

### School Assembly

We are going to introduce a short assembly to be held on the last afternoon of each term. This will be a chance to share some of the work the children have enjoyed and an opportunity for us all to come together before we break up for the holidays. These assemblies will take place in the Village Hall.

Best wishes,

Wendy Whitehouse

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May** – Open Morning for prospective parents, 9.00am – 10.30am

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May** – END OF TERM, Assembly in the Village Hall, 3pm

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June** – INSET DAY

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June** – Back to School

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June** - Ruth Hoose (Head of Year 7 at Chenderit School) visiting to meet with Year 6 pupils

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June** - Dress Rehearsal of the School Production 'Cinderella Rockefeller' at 2pm in the Village Hall

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June** – School Production of 'Cinderella Rockefeller', 7pm in the Village Hall

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June** - 'Move Up' morning (children to spend time in their new year groups)

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June** - Parent/Carer Workshops, 7pm

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**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June** - Whole School Photograph, 9am

**w/c Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June** - Science Week

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June** – School Ties Meeting, 2.30pm

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July** – Summer Fayre, 1.30pm – 3.30pm

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July** - 'Dare to be Different' Event at The Porsche Experience Centre for all KS2 girls over 135cm tall

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July** - Sports' Day, 9am

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July** - Leavers' Service, 12.00pm followed by a whole school picnic.

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July** - **END OF TERM**

### **Sponsored Read:**

A huge thank you to all of those children that took part in the recent 'Sponsored Read'. We were staggered by the amount of reading they all did and the sponsorship money that raised. A special well done to the following children - Beth, Amber, Samuel, Joe, Mikey, Joe, Teddy, Jake, Jay, Joseph, Olivia, Mana, Elizabeth, Matthew, Maggie and Sophia.

### **Please help to promote our Open Morning:**

We are hosting an 'Open Morning' on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May from 9.00am - 10.30am for prospective parents. We have attached an image of the Open Morning poster and would be very grateful if you can spread the word to your friends, family and on local social media pages.

### **Parent/Carer Workshops, Tuesday 18th June 2019, 7.00pm:**

We will be holding an evening for parents to explain key areas of our curriculum:

- Keystage 1- Methods of teaching addition and subtraction in KS1.
- Year 3 and 4- Methods of teaching addition and subtraction in year 3 and 4
- Keystage 2- My child can read, What next?- A workshop for parents on supporting reading in KS2
- ICT- What is coding and how do we teach it?

We hope you can join us.

### **Northamptonshire Music & Performing Arts Trust - May Festival of Music:**

This weekend, NMPAT will be hosting their annual May Festival of Music at the Spinney Theatre in Northampton. The event consists of 3 concerts which feature junior and training county instrumental ensembles. Please see the attached flyer for further information.

### **Live Kitchen to become....School Grid:**

You should now have received notification from our caterers 'livekitchen' that they are rebranding and will be changing their name to 'SchoolGrid' as of Wed 22nd May. Please note, this will not affect the service in any way and orders and payment can still be made via the usual means. Please speak to the School Office if you have any questions.

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## Timings for Academic Year 2019-2020:

As we look towards the new academic year we have considered our timetable. We are planning on bringing our school hours in line with the Academy and local schools. Currently we have an hour and twenty minutes for lunch traditionally this was to allow farming families to eat together in the middle of the day. Therefore, we would like to start the school day at the same time 8.55 (with drop off starting at 8.45) and finish the school day at 3.15. This new timetable will begin in September. If you have any questions about these new arrangements for the school day, please do come and see me.

### After School Club:

We are pleased to be able to offer the following after school clubs during Term 6. All clubs will start during the w/c Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2019 and run for 6 weeks.

Day	Club	Open to	Led by	Time	Cost
Monday	Multi-Skills	Yrs EYFS, 1 & 2	Mr Elson & Yrs 5 & 6	3.30 – 4.15pm	Free
Monday	Craft Club	Yrs 3 & 4	Mrs Whitehouse	3.30 – 4.15pm	Free
Tuesday	Gardening Club	Years 1 - 6	Mrs Wilson-Fitzgerald	3.30 - 4.15pm	Free
Tuesday	Reading Club	Yrs EYFS, 1 & 2	Mrs Balthasar	3.30 – 4.15pm	Free
Thursday	Choir	Years 1 - 6	Mrs Skinner	3.30 – 4.15pm	£18.00
Thursday	Fashion & Textiles	Years 3 - 6	Mrs Bragg	3.30 - 4.15pm	Free

Clubs will have a limited number of participants and places will be offered on a 'first come, first served' basis. If your child would like to attend any of the clubs, please return the slip attached, with payment if applicable, to school before **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June**. Parents will be advised whether their child has been allocated a place, on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June.

### Sun cream and hats:

The sun has firmly had its hat on this week and we would like to encourage the children to wear theirs too. Please ensure all children have a named sun hat with them every day.

If you would like your child to re-apply sun-cream at lunch-time, please can you hand a named bottle of sun-cream into the school office. Pupils should **not** have sun-cream in their school bags. We are unable to apply sun-cream, so pupils need to be able to do this themselves.

### Girls with long hair:

Please can we remind you that girls' hair should be neat and, if long, kept off the face or tied back. Hairbands should be simple and predominantly of a single colour.

### Chenderit Cluster Cricket:

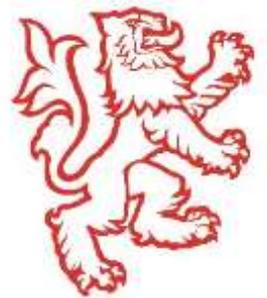
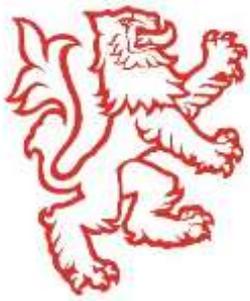
A huge well done to our Year 5 and 6 pupils who represented our school at the Chenderit Cluster Cricket Festival. The following photos are a reminder for them, of the fantastic afternoon they had.....

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