

FARTHINGHOE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 19 – 13th July 2018



Dear Parents and Carers,

Following lengthy investigation into what's best for our children and our school, and consultation with parents and the local community, the Governors are pleased to confirm that we will proceed with conversion to academy status within The Warriner Multi Academy Trust from the 1st of September 2018.

Documents are now with the Department for Education for their decision on the conversion, and our legal advisers are agreeing arrangements for a lease on the school site and the transfer of assets, liabilities and contracts. Staff will transfer to be employed by The Warriner MAT.

Our staff have worked incredibly hard to establish a strong record of improvement which we are now proud to be able to share with other schools in The Warriner MAT. All of the schools will benefit from working closely together to share good practice to ensure the best possible outcomes for all our children. We are looking forward to this next step in our school journey.

Best wishes,

The Governing Body of Farthinghoe Primary School

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

13/07 – Sports Day 2pm / Summer Fayre 3.30pm

16/07 – Last violin lessons

18/07 – Afternoon tea party to say goodbye to Mrs Deeley
3.30pm

20/07 - Leavers Service 2pm at Farthinghoe Village Hall

20/07 - **End of Term 6**

06/09 – **Start of Term 1 2018/19 Academic Year**

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

A big 'thank you' to all the children who entertained us so well with their production of 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' last week. I have received lots of positive comments from staff and parents about how much they enjoyed the show and how impressed they were with the children's acting. To learn so many lines without a script in only three days is a challenging task but the children rose to the challenge! Well done to them all and thanks to all the staff who supported the production.

Year 6

It was great news to hear how well our year 6 children did in their end of key stage 2 SATs tests. All of their hard work and resilience paid off, not only with super results but also great progress made over their time at primary school. We look forward to the results being published in the autumn and are really proud of what they have achieved.

We wish them well as they continue their journey onto Secondary School and hope they pop back at some point to let us know how well they are doing.

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Leavers' Assembly – Friday 20th July 2018 at 2pm

It is time to say 'Goodbye' to our Year 6 children and this will be celebrated in our annual leavers' assembly in Farthinghoe Village Hall at 2.00pm on Friday 20th July.

All parents, carers, friends, family members and governors from throughout the school are invited to come along, as our whole school wish them well as they move on to Secondary School.

You are welcome to take your child home from the village hall after the assembly if you wish to do so. Children who are not collected from the village hall after the assembly will be walked back up to school and can be collected from school by 3.30pm as usual.

Tea Party to say goodbye to Mrs Deeley – Wednesday 18th July 2018

Summer term is a real mix of pride, happiness and a little sadness. It is the time when we celebrate a year of achievement and personal successes for our children and staff community.

As you know, Mrs Deeley is retiring at the end of this academic year. Please do join us for an afternoon tea on Wednesday at 3.30pm to wish Mrs Deeley well as we celebrate her working for 30 years at Farthinghoe School.

Please note change in date to Wednesday after school. This is due to a funeral being held in church on Thursday afternoon which will likely mean that parking around the school site will be difficult.

Music

Mrs Skinner is on maternity leave but she wanted to send a short note to share with you some information about the music this year.

I would like to start by saying how impressed I have been with the commitment to singing from every single pupil in the school. I do hope that if you have been lucky enough to hear the whole school singing that you can agree that it is exceptional. In the autumn term the juniors studied film music and can identify the difference between songs and instrumental music. They also drew pictures inspired by certain film music. They finished the term by working on their music reading, being able to write four bar rhythms and take rhythm dictation. In the spring term we studied musical theatre and looked at a simple timeline of how musical theatre developed, right up to the modern day film musicals like The Greatest Showman.

Over the two terms that I taught this year the infants have worked on their listening skills every week. In the autumn term we learnt about long and short notes, walk and running, and how to recognise instruments. In the spring term everyone played a simple melody on the xylophone and we learnt some action songs.

Parking

Please can I ask parents to park at the village hall at the beginning and end of the school day. We have received a complaint that some parents are parking on Bowling Green and blocking the pavement, making it dangerous for residents and other road users. Your consideration for our neighbours would be greatly appreciated.

All of our staff would like to thank our pupils for their hard work this past academic year, and parents and carers for their support. We would like to wish you all an enjoyable, safe and relaxing summer break and we look forward to welcoming you back to school in September.

Please don't forget our Summer Fayre this afternoon at 3.30pm in Farthinghoe Village Hall. I look forward to seeing you there!

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