

FARTHINGHOE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 2 : 22nd September 2023



Dear Parents, Carers and Governors,

Another newsletter, means another two weeks have slipped by 😊

Everyone has settled well and the summer holidays feel like nothing but a sweet memory. Thankfully the weather has cooled down, although I am told that warmer weather is back next week.

What a courageous lot our Chenderit cross country entrants were yesterday!!!! As parents gathered on the playground in pouring rain, asking if it had been cancelled, you walked out of school declaring your determination to still go. WELL DONE to all those who took part and your reward was, that the sun came out as the race started. We are all very proud of you 😊

I hope to see some of you at Farthinghoe Village Show on Sunday, Mrs Woolacott and Mr Elson have been down to the village hall this lunchtime to display all your children's pictures for the art gallery (they are BRILLIANT!) A special mention of thanks to Mrs Price for mounting them all, you are a ★. I am also looking forward to the KS2 children singing at 2pm, they have sounded amazing in their practices. If your child is coming along to sing, please make sure they are at the hall by 1.45pm. Many thanks.

Please do not forget the presentation on Growth Mindset after school on Wednesday, 27th September, this is part of the School Improvement Plan and is a strategy we are working on with the children to increase resilience. It will be great for you to hear what we are doing and what you can do at home to support this.

Take special care, Ms Turner and the Farthinghoe Team

Notices

- **The fifth instalment of £30.00 is due by the end of September, for the Longtown trip in Feb 2024**
- **Music invoices have now been sent home, payment is due by Wed 27th Sept**
- **Please return permission slips (and voluntary payment) for the EYFS & KS1 trip by Mon 2nd Oct**
- **Our 'Dates for your Diary' box at the end of this newsletter has been updated to include all confirmed dates up to Christmas – please take note of them**

Farthinghoe Village Show – Sunday 24th September

We do hope you are able to join us on Sunday for the Village Show at the Village Hall. As per our earlier communication this week; if your child is in KS2 and able to join us to sing a couple of songs from last year's whole school performance, please arrive at the Hall by 1.45pm.

On display in the Hall will be the children's wonderful artwork of the Village. Thank you to those children that completed their pieces during the holidays. We have found time in the past couple of weeks for all the children to do a drawing and they will all be on display on Sunday. The art is labelled with your child's first name and year group – so you can spot their masterpiece. We will return the drawings to school next week and if you would like to purchase your child's, we will be asking for a small donation of £1.50.

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TESCO Stronger Starts

We are delighted to inform you that we have been selected by TESCO to be a nominee for their 'blue tokens' programme from October to January. We applied for the grant before the summer holidays and our plan is to convert one of our new outside sheds in a reading space/library. We will be in contention against two other local school projects, with the winning school receiving £1500, second place receiving £1000 and the third place school receiving £500. You can cast your vote for us at both the large Brackley TESCO superstore and the smaller TESCO Express at Lark Rise in Brackley.

Pupil Premium eligibility

An email was sent out to all parents earlier this week regarding pupil premium funding eligibility. If you believe your child may be entitled to this additional funding and your circumstances fit the criteria, please visit the West Northamptonshire website or speak to the School Office.

Whole School Open Morning for Reception parents, September 2024

We will be holding two open mornings for prospective parents on Friday 3rd and Friday 10th November. We have posted our advert on our Facebook page and would be grateful if you can 'like and share' it amongst your friends. If you are aware of a village or community notice board, where you may be able to display an advert, please speak to Mrs Woolacott and she can provide a printed version.

Congratulations to the following children for receiving this week's 'Star of the Week' award



EYFS & Keystage 1 – Rafael
Keystage 2 - Jake



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 24th September, 12pm-4pm – Farthinghoe Village Show – children to sing at 2pm

Wednesday 27th September – Growth mindset workshop for all parents, with Ms Turner in the Junior classroom

Sunday 24th September – Farthinghoe Village Show at the Village Hall

Tuesday 10th October - #Hello Yellow for Mental Health Awareness Day – wear something yellow, along with your school uniform

Wednesday 11th October, 3.15pm- Parent Phonics workshop for EYFS and new parents with Mrs Pegg in the KS1 classroom

Thursday 12th October, AM – EYFS, Year 1 & Year 2 school trip to Banbury Museum

Thursday 19th October – Parent – Teacher meetings, booking details to follow

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Friday 20th October – End of Term

Monday 30th October – Back to School

Wednesday 1st November, 3.15pm - Parent Maths workshop for EYFS and keystage 1 parents with Ms Turner in the KS1 classroom

Friday 3rd November, 9am – 11am – Open morning for prospective parents, September 2024

Tuesday 7th November, 3.15pm - Parent Maths workshop for keystage 2 parents with Ms Turner in the Junior classroom

Friday 10th November, 9am – 11am – Open morning for prospective parents, September 2024

Friday 17th November – Children in Need day – home clothes

Friday 1st December, PM – Christmas Decorating Day, parents to join us

Friday 8th December - Christmas Jumper day for 'Save the Children'

Wednesday 13th December, PM – Nativity performance

Wednesday 20th December – End of Term

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