

FARTHINGHOE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 3 : 28th September 2020



Dear Parents, Carers, Governors and Friends,

The children across the school have continued to show a brilliant attitude towards their learning and I am particularly impressed with our new reception pupils who have settled into school so magnificently.

Thank you - drop off and pick up is now a much calmer and socially distanced experience. The children are coming in brilliantly and the school day is starting promptly.

I am sincerely grateful to all for following the requests that I have made regarding the start and end of the day - it really is a collective effort that benefits everyone.

PE

A gentle reminder that children in **EYFS through to 6**, will need to come into school on Mondays and Wednesdays - in their PE kit. They will stay in their kit for the duration of the day.

Marvellous Me

Staff are using the Marvellous Me app so much more this term, please do download it to your phone to find out about all the learning that is happening in school. As well as this app, please check the website for curriculum posts from your child's class teacher. You will find useful prompts and information about what your child is learning in class so you can work in partnership with them. Any queries please don't hesitate to contact your class teacher.

Forest School

We have planned to take part in Forest School sessions led by the company Muddy Feet. We will be attending Forest school once a month, in the first instance this will be an opportunity for keystage 1 but we are also hoping to take keystage 2 in November.

Forest School is a great opportunity for us all (adults and children) to spend time outdoors connecting with nature, learning together at our own pace and strengthening our community. A separate letter and kit list will be sent to keystage 1 next week. To find out more details of Muddy Feet, please visit their website

<https://www.muddyfeettraining.co.uk/>

Art supplies

Thank you to school to the parents who donated money in the Summer towards our art fund. Each bubble now has enough art supplies to last them all year without having to share resources across the classes. We are so lucky to have such generous parents; we appreciate all the support you give. In Keystage 2 they have been painting leaves for their rainforest display and Year 1 and 2 have been making puppets. EYFS have also been creative with new painting equipment.

Dolce School Meals

From Thursday 1st October, Dolce will restart their hot meal provision. The meals will be prepared and served at the Culworth kitchen hub and will be delivered to school, pre portioned on a reusable flight tray. Please be aware, the meals will be served with **all items** detailed on the menu. Prior to the pandemic children were able to decline gravy or a vegetable if they preferred - this will not be the case moving forward.

If you have already ordered meals for the 1st October and beyond, you should shortly receive an email from School Grid, requesting that you log in and reorder.

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Skip2BFit Workshop

I would like to say a big thank you to Mrs Thompson for organising the skipping workshop on Thursday. The children had a great time and could see and feel the benefits of skipping. I hope they are making use of their ropes at home. If they would like to bring them into school, please ensure they are named.



Coats and Clothing

Keeping warm! Now that the temperature has started to drop, please could you ensure that your child wears sufficient warm clothing as we are keeping the classrooms well ventilated with windows and external doors open wherever possible. They may bring a fleece and maybe wear a vest or t-shirt under their school uniform.

Home School Agreement and Medical form

Thank you to those parents that have already returned their signed forms. Please can we kindly ask the remaining parents to return theirs ASAP. Please note, some pages need to be completed on the reverse too.

Donations - handwash and paper towels

With handwashing of paramount importance in school, we have becoming increasingly aware of the amount of hand wash and paper towels that we are using each week. We are therefore kindly asking if families may be able to donate hand wash and paper towels to school. The hand wash must be antibacterial and the paper towels for our dispensers are Tork D8223 Singlefold Hand Towel, H3. If you are able to make a donation, please liaise with Mrs Thompson to arrange delivery. Thank you in anticipation.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 6th October - School Photographs, individual portraits only

Tuesday 20th October - Muddy Feet Forest School for keystage 1

Thursday 22nd October - End of Half Term

Friday 23rd October - INSET DAY

Monday 2nd November - Back to School

Friday 11th December - Flu vaccination for all children in Reception through to Year 6 - parental consent form to be emailed to parents shortly

Friday 18th December - **END OF TERM**

With warmest wishes and kind regards, Mrs Wendy Whitehouse

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