

FARTHINGHOE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 12 : 8th March 2024



Dear Parents, Carers and Governors,

What a great start to the half term we have had! The children are working hard and everyone is happy.

Clubs are up and running and I hope you are all relaxed and pleased with the choices available. We really are lucky to have such a range of clubs to offer and I am grateful to all members of staff for giving up their time to support them.

Year 5 and 6 visited the Black Country Museum on Thursday this week, they all had a great time learning what it would have been like to be a child in Victorian times.

So we could celebrate together, World Book Day for Farthinghoe is happening today, thank you for supporting us in this.

What a bunch of Wally's we are!

As always you have entered into the spirit of the day and we have some great costumes. I am sure the children will enjoy the fun run too.

Many thanks for the generous donations of books, there is more about this later in the newsletter.

To all you wonderful women out there, who love and care for our little humans, have an amazing day on Sunday. I hope you are thoroughly spoilt 🌸

Have a great weekend
Ms Turner and the Farthinghoe Team

Notices

- **Mr Reynold's cancelled guitar lesson from this week, has been rescheduled to Wednesday 27th March, please ensure your child has their instrument in school, on that day**
- **Please return permission slips for Keystage 2 swimming by Friday 22nd March**

Summer Uniform

After Easter, the children are welcome to wear shorts and summer dresses to school. As per our uniform policy, it is not mandatory that uniform is ordered from our recommended supplier, however if you would like to place an order, please speak to Mrs Woolcott who will provide an order form.

Red Nose Day – Friday 15th March

To recognise Red Nose Day next Friday our School Council have suggested that the children dress in their home clothes along with something red, for a small donation of £1.00. In addition, we will be holding a joke competition in assembly, so please do encourage your children to practise at home – ready to have their friends in giggles!

Book donations for World Book Day

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Thank you for the fantastic donations of used and brand new books for Charity and Northampton General Children's Ward. We will be delivering the books at the end of next week, so if you would still like to make a donation, you can do so by dropping them into the office during the early part of next week.

TESCO blue tokens appeal

Thank you to all of you that voted for us in the TESCO blue token scheme – we have now received notification that we came 3rd and will be receiving £500 towards our new outdoor reading space! We should receive the funds in the coming weeks and we will look to have the new area set up in the summer term.

West Northamptonshire 'Stay Connected' Newsletter

Please use the following link to access the March 'Stay Connected' newsletter which focuses on all the amazing events, clubs and groups that families, children and young people can access across the county that are free or affordable to attend - <https://sway.cloud.microsoft/XjtmGhfsKgBFTcOa>

West Northamptonshire Council, survey request

We have been asked by the Parish Council, to share the following information with you –

Have your say on our plans to improve Air Quality

We have drafted an Air Quality Action Plan that provides the actions we will take to work towards improving air quality and reducing air pollution in West Northamptonshire.

The draft plan extends the positive improvements in air quality that exist from previous plans and builds on this.

We would like people to have their say on the key proposals and the draft plan generally, and also to gather information to determine peoples understanding of air quality and identify any health-related issues so that this can also be considered in the plan.

Have your say

If you would like further information and to comment on the proposals, please visit [Have your say on our plans to improve Air Quality](#).

This consultation closes midnight Sunday 17 March 2024.

BT Telephone Handsets, available

We have recently changed our telephone provider and as a result our original BT handsets have become obsolete. We have a set of BT4600 Advance Nuisance Call Blocker, Trio (main handset and base, plus 2 additional handsets). If anyone can make use of these, please pop into the School Office where they are available to collect. We are just asking for a very small donation into the school funds.

School Ties – Events

Leap into Action – 16th February to 28th March

We hope the children have had lots of fun leaping to raise funds for our school.

If you would like to share any photos of your child/children leaping into action, please send them to the school office. Sponsorship money can be handed in to the school office by 28th March.

Easter 100-Grid Square

We have a large cuddly lamb to give away in our Easter 100-Grid Square raffle!

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Each square is 50p and you can purchase as many number squares as you like. Please contact Gemma (Noah's Mum) with your chosen numbers and payment.

The winner will be announced on Wednesday 27th March.

Preloved School Uniform

School Ties would be very grateful for any preloved school uniform donations. We will be happy to take donations over the next few weeks.

Easter Bonnet Parade – Wednesday 27th March

The children will love creating and showing off their Easter Bonnets. The parade will take place on Wednesday 27th March in the afternoon.

You can contact us on pta@farthinghoeprimaryschool.co.uk or

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/959242150842317/?ref=share> or speak to a member of the group for further information.

Thank you for your continued support.

School Ties PTA

**A huge Congratulations to the following children, for receiving this week's
Star of the Week Award**



Keystage 1 – Yi Ning

Keystage 2 – Romeo



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 8th March – World Book Day – all children to dress as 'Where's Wally' for Fun Run at 2.30pm on the School Field

Friday 15th March – Red Nose Day – children to wear something red, along with home clothes, for a £1.00 donation

Wednesday 27th March – Guitar catch-up lesson with Mr Reynolds

Wednesday 27th March, PM – Easter Bonnet parade

Thursday 28th March – Last day of School Ties 'Leap into Action' fundraising challenge

Thursday 28th March – End of Term

Monday 15th April – Back to School

Monday 15th April – Swimming at Brackley Leisure Centre commences (12 sessions), year 3-6

Wednesday 17th April – Muddy Feet forest school at Evenley Wood Garden, EYFS – year 2

Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday – School closed

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