

FARTHINGHOE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 13 : 22nd March 2024



Dear Parents, Carers and Governors,

Where has this term gone?! I can hardly believe that we have just next week to go and it is the Easter holidays! It isn't just that we are at the end of another term but it is also nearly April, where is 2024 going?

As always the children and staff have been working hard. As it is the end of term, we are busy finishing our activities and work as we come to the end of our present topics. The summer term is always a busy one with SATs for Year 6, Sports Day, the Colour Run and the end of year performance, watch this space for more on all of these.

Before this though we have the annual School Ties Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Bonnet parade to enjoy next Wednesday at the village hall, I hope you can all come along and enjoy the festivities.

Have a great weekend
Ms Turner and the Farthinghoe Team

Notices

- Miss Campbell's Book Club will NOT take place next Thursday. Apologies for any inconvenience
- Mr Reynold's cancelled guitar lesson from 16/02 has been rescheduled to Wednesday 27th March, please ensure your child has their instrument in school, on that day
- Please return permission slips (and voluntary contributions) for Keystage 2 swimming ASAP
- Please return permission slips (and voluntary contributions) for EYFS and Keystage 1 forest school ASAP

****Back to School – Monday 15th April – KS2 please remember your swimming kits!****

The Masked Reader comes to Farthinghoe!

Farthinghoe's Reading Ambassadors would like to introduce our newest entertainment - The Masked Reader! We would like to invite parents and carers to record themselves reading a story of their choice, suitably disguised and masked, before revealing themselves at the end of the video (video length approx. 2-5mins). We will do the Masked Reader once a month during assembly, playing a submitted recording, pausing to allow the children to make their guesses and then revealing! We urge parents to keep their children in the dark if they do submit a video to maximise mystery. Happy reading!

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, fundraising effort

It was lovely to see the sea of red last Friday, in support of Red Nose Day. We all enjoyed a good giggle during our 'Tell a Joke' assembly and raised £61.00 for this worthy cause. Thank you for your support.

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Sponsored walk for 'Combat Stress' charity

A huge well done to Jake, year 6, for taking part in a sponsored walk at the weekend with his Scout group. The 23km walk was completed in aid of the 'Combat Stress' charity which takes care of veterans suffering with PTSD. If you would like to support Jake for his efforts, donations can still be made using the following link - <https://events.combatstress.org.uk/fundraisers/andrewelder?fbclid=IwAR3U7dQWcTA5csDZz3Q9OAY9qhIFM QjITVUWZKwDbx9x82Z7IEgYdCJUEm4>

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>

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

Easter Bonnet Parade & Scavenger Hunt – Wednesday 27th March, Village Hall 2:30pm

The children can make an Easter bonnet/hat at home and bring them into school on Wednesday 27th March to proudly parade their amazing creations to the parents/carers in the afternoon.

The parade will take place on Wednesday 27th March in the afternoon.

After the parade the children can enjoy a scavenger hunt to win a prize.

Easter 100-Square Grid Raffle

1st prize is a large cuddly lamb and two more prizes have now been added to the Easter 100-Square Grid raffle! Details are on the school WhatsApp group. 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 winners will be announced on Wednesday 27th March, after the Easter bonnet parade.

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 – James

Keystage 2 – Oscar



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

Wednesday 27th March, 2.30pm – School Ties Easter Bonnet parade & Scavenger Hunt at the Village Hall

Thursday 28th March – Year 3 & 4 Roman Day

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

Friday 3rd May – Brackley Fire Brigade visit to school for EYFS and Keystage 1 'Great Fire of London' learning

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