

FARTHINGHOE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 9 : 7th February 2025



Dear Parents, Carers and Governors,

Goodness me we have had a frantic few weeks!

Just last week our trip to Everdon was just coming to an end and this week OFSTED came knocking!

We had a wonderful time at Everdon and the children were a real credit to their parents. We were very lucky with the weather; the sun even came out for two of the days. I have to confess, Everdon is one of my most favourite places so thank you for allowing me to join you on your first residential trip. A huge message of thanks must also go to Mrs Thompson who joined us on the trip at short notice as Mrs Lear was poorly.

Our last OFSTED inspection was in 2014/2015 when we received an Outstanding judgement so we have been very much waiting for them to visit us again. In fact, ever since I became Head of School, I have expected the telephone call advising me of their visit every week (I had begun to think they had forgotten about us 😊).

So it was with some excitement and relief that we welcomed them to the school on Tuesday of this week. The visit went well and the team worked hard, I was very proud of everyone. I would also like to thank all those parents that took the time to complete the Parent Survey. I will share the OFSTED findings with you in due course.

Thank you for your support.

Please take very special care, Ms Turner and the Farthinghoe Team

Notices

- Donations for today's NSPCC Numbers Day can still be sent into school. Thank you to those that have already donated
- Our comprehensive school calendar is available at the bottom of the homepage of our school website – it is a Google calendar so can be synced with your own, if you have one
- **Children will not be allowed to play outside if they do not have a coat**

Parent-Teacher meetings, Thursday 13th February

If you have not yet booked your appointment with your child's teacher, then please contact the school office. If you are unable to attend on the 13th, then please let Mrs Woolacott know and she will liaise with your child's class teacher, to book an alternative day/time.

West Northamptonshire Stay Connected newsletter

The February edition of 'Stay Connected' has now been published. Please visit the following link to view - <https://sway.cloud.microsoft/XjtmGhfsKgBFTcOa?ref=email>

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ClubsComplete after school club provision

We have been pleased with the initial uptake for our after school club provision. ClubsComplete offer a different activity each afternoon from 3.15pm – 4.30pm, followed by a further option until 5.00pm, with children receiving a snack and further playtime.

To find out more and to book your child in, please use the following link - <https://clubscomplete.co.uk/>

Clubs Complete will be holding a parent information evening in the coming weeks. We will provide further details, once the date is confirmed.

EYFS, Year 1 & Year 2 trip to Cadbury's World

Payment and permission slips are request back by next Wednesday.

Music lessons with Northamptonshire Music & Performing Arts Trust

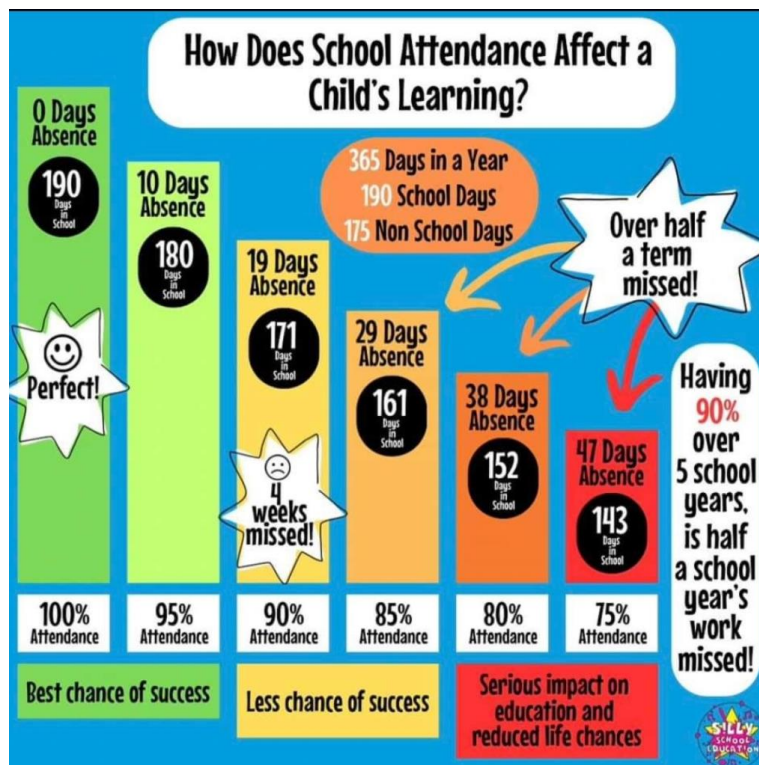
Mrs Mold comes into school every Thursday morning to teach guitar, violin and piano to the children. Her lessons are 10 minutes long and the cost is £8.33/week. If your child would be interested in signing up, please speak to Mrs Woolacott.

Term dates, 2025-2026

Our term dates for the next academic year have now been confirmed. They can be found on our school website (<https://www.farthinghoeprimaryschool.co.uk/term-dates.html>). We kindly remind you not to book holidays during term time.

Importance of attendance

Please be reminded of the importance of your child's school attendance. The below graphic encapsulates the impact even a few days of absence can make.



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Star of the Week Award



Congratulations to the following children who were awarded the 'Star of the Week' award

- EYFS, Year 1 & 2 – Maddox
- Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 – All of Year 3 and 4! (for their fantastic attitude, curiosity and behaviour at Everdon)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 7th February – NSPCC Numbers Day

Thursday 13th February, 2pm – School Ties meeting in the Library

Thursday 13th February – Parent – Teacher meetings

Friday 14th February – Year 3 & 4 Egyptian Morning, more information to follow

Friday 14th February – End of Term

Monday 24th February – Back to School

Thursday 6th March – World Book Day

Monday 10th March – EYFS, Year 1 & Year 2 trip to Cadbury's World

Friday 4th April – End of Term

Wednesday 16th April – Primary school places to be confirmed

Tuesday 22nd April – INSET, school closed to pupils

Wednesday 23rd April – Back to School

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