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# FRIMLEY TIMES





Welcome back to another busy half term at Frimley, I hope you all had a lovely half term break and it's good to see that the children have returned to school in such a positive way. This half-term always feels particularly busy and I hate to mention Christmas but with only 5 weeks left (after this week!!) we are already making plans – I will update you with more information in my next newsletter but th dates can be found at the back of this newsletter.

Our INSET day last Monday focussed on curriculum updates, with a focus for teachers and LSAs on Maths, Reading, Phonics and RE. In the afternoon, all staff joined staff from the

other 2 Academies within Prospect Trust for a Trust Conference focussing on staff well-being.

<u>Tours for Prospective Parents</u>: We have been delighted to welcome so many existing and new families to our school who are looking for a Year 3 place for their children for September. Our Ambassadors team, led by our 3 Head Pupils, have done a magnificent job showing these families around our school, and I listen with real pride as I hear them talk so confidently and fondly about all the opportunities Frimley offers to them. The last tours are next Monday so if you know someone with a child in year 2, please do encourage them to come and visit Frimley!

<u>Poppies</u>: Our Head Pupils have also been busy organising and managing the sales of the Poppies and other related merchandise this week and have done an excellent job. As they said in their letter to parents last week, we only had limited supplies to sell so, while I fully understand that some children have come home disappointed not to have bought a particular item (ie slap bands!), please be assured that the Head Pupils have done their best to make this fair across all pupils across the school.

<u>Data summary</u>: A round this time of year, the DFE release data on each school (in an Inspection Data Summary Report – IDSR) as a summary of how the Y6 children performed in the end of Key Stage 2 SATs. I was particularly pleased by the data this year and you can find the headlines on the next page – lots to celebrate! Further information on our latest set of results can be found on the school's website.

<u>Learning Resource Centre (LRC)</u>: A reminder that unfortunately the LRC (Library) will not be open to families after school for the remainder of this term as Mrs Whiting is not going to be in school to open up this amazing facility. The children will continue to visit the LRC during the school day and it will then be back open to families after Christmas.

**Clare Wright** 



## **Attendance Absence requests**

Can I please remind parents to try, wherever possible, to avoid making appointments for their child during the school day as this can be extremely disruptive to their learning. Also, just a reminder that we do not, except in special circumstances, authorise term time absence requests; full details can be found in the attendance policy (which is on the school website). If an absence is not authorised then a Penalty Notice from Surrey County Council may apply to each parent for each child in the family who is absent – see letter dated 21<sup>st</sup> September 2023 on our website for more details.

# ODD SOCKS DAY – 13<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Odd Socks Day marks the start of Anti-Bullying Week, and this year we will be wearing our odd socks to celebrate what makes us unique and spread kindness.

To take part, simply wear your odd socks to school, and celebrate your individuality.





# **Certificate of Thanks**

to the staff and families of:

# **Frimley C of E School**

This certificate is given in recognition of their generous donations to: The Besom in Camberley

# HARVEST 2023

On behalf of the Time-givers, Trustees & Beneficiaries

Kendall

Karen Kendall (Project Lead)

Please see attached our thanks for your generous gifts at harvest. I hope this certificate (Jpeg & pdf versions) is something you can share with your staff & families.

Subject – 2023 results	Progress	Attainment
Reading	In the top 9% of schools national-	Expected standard: in the top
	ly	14% of schools nationally
		High standard: in the top 17% of
		schools nationally
Writing	In line with national	Expected standard: in the top
		16% of schools nationally
Maths	In the top 15% of schools nation-	Expected standard: in the top
	ally	17% of schools nationally
Grammar, Punctuation and		Expected standard: in the top
Spelling		15% of schools nationally
		High standard: in the top 20% of
		schools nationally
Reading, Writing and Maths com-		Expected standard: in the top
bined		11% of schools nationally

# IDSR headlines from KS2 SATS 2023 (comparing results nationally)



Not only is it Christmas time, but it is also bookfair time!!!!

This year's bookfair not only has hundreds of new children's books, but also many half price books as well as stationary to choose from!

# Date: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December to Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December

#### Time: 3.30pm to 4pm

#### Place: The Hub

There are over 200 titles for you and your child to choose from, with prices starting from £2.99, there is sure to be a book for everyone.

As well as books, we have stationary including pens, pencils, and keys rings to purchase, some half price too!

If you are unable to make it to our book fair, you can purchase gift vouchers, which are available at **www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/parents** 

Don't forget that every book you buy can help to provide FREE BOOKS for your school library.

#### **Parent Forum**

You are all invited to the first Parent Forum of this academic year on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 8.45. The purpose of these forums is to provide parents with the opportunity to come in and meet with me on an informal basis to discuss key issues which, in turn, will hopefully provide feedback on issues that the school want to develop. The focus for the first forum will be discussing communication and the information on our website, particularly focusing on what we share with you regarding the curriculum that your child experiences on a day to day basis.

Dates For Your Diary		
Date 2023	Event	
November 13th	Prospective Parents Morning	
November 22nd	Parents Forum	
November 27th	Open afternoon	
December 6th	Yr 3 Christmas play 1.45pm and 6.30pm	
December 8th	Sponsored Christmas Run	
December 11th	Christmas Fair and Carols around the tree	
December 13th	Christmas Lunch	
December 15th 2pm	Finish for Christmas Holidays	

### Parking concerns

Yet again I have received a complaint from local residents complaining about inconsiderate parking. It is really difficult, and time consuming, for me to respond to these emails so please can I urge you to park more considerably, reflecting our school vision of "Love your neighbour as you love yourself". Following receipt of this email, I did pass the concerns onto Paul Deach, a local Councilor, who has said that he will pass it on to the council's parking enforcement team to arrange some enforcement patrols at drop-off and pick-up times:

I am reaching out regarding the continued parking issues on Henley Drive, particularly around school pick up and drop off, but also for Parents Evenings. I note that in your newsletters you encourage parents to park on the Recreation Ground. This continues to not be adhered to.

*Every day during term time, parents park all along Henley Drive from the entrance to the road (from Frimley Green Road) often extending far beyond the dead end turning beside number 9.* 

The cars are parked back to back, meaning there is no pull in spaces for cars exiting the road. They also park opposite junctions and residents driveways.

It means that it is not only a nightmare to enter or exit Henley Drive, in these peak hours, but is also dangerous to both residents and the children. As a regular commuter, I have to ensure I am out of the road before 8.20am to stand any chance of not facing the issues caused by inconsiderate parents.

*I appreciate that you encourage parents to park at the Recreation ground, but this is ignored by a vast number of parents.* 

### Fundraising reminder from a group of Year 6

We are a group of Year 6 students.

On the 10<sup>th</sup> November at breaktime, we'll be running a stall. If your child is interested in buying some of our things, we hope you will bring in some money to help the school, thank you:

We are using our own resources and all money raised will go to the school and The Breck Foundation.