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FRIMLEY TIMES



Dear Parents,

Wow, it's the end of the half-term already.... They do say time flies when you're having fun!! I know all the children are exhausted – as are all the staff – as it's been a very full-on start to the academic year. So many fun activities and learning opportunities have already happened and I know there's lots more planned for next half-term too.

Parents Evening: Last week was our parent consultation meetings and I do hope you found these conversations useful; I know the teachers really do value the opportunity to have a 3-way dialogue with yourselves and the children. If you have not managed to touch base with your child's classteacher yet this school year, please do contact the office to try and arrange a mutually convenient time.

Morning Club: Our morning club, which runs from 7.50-8.30 is growing increasingly popular among parents who need to get to work before the start of the school day. Please can I remind parents that this must be booked in advance as numbers are limited. On several occasions this term we have parents just turn up in the morning, without booking, which puts real pressures on numbers/staffing etc and we have had to ask staff to go in to help supervise at the last minute. We do not want to face the awkwardness of turning children away in the morning so please do book in advance moving forward.

Tomlinscote visits: Last week, Mrs Farage, Mrs Williams and I spent the day at Tomlinscote: meeting with teachers and subject leaders; observing lessons; talking to pupils and looking at books. It was a great opportunity for us to further our understanding of what life is like at a Secondary School and was really informative for us in planning how to develop our own curriculum moving forward.

Parent forum: A huge thank you to the parents who attended our first parent forum of the year last week. It was good to get some feedback on how we communicate with parents, mainly focusing on what information we share prior to our Y3 cohort starting with us etc. We will amend and tweak our practice for next year in the light of this feedback. Following other discussions at this forum, we will continue to send home letters/newsletters on Thursday and are planning to increase the number of posts on our social media sites. Thank you to the parents who have volunteered to be class reps, following my request in my last newsletter. Unfortunately, only 2 parents have volunteered so it looks like we won't be able to pursue this option.

Tomorrow is the last day of half-term; we finish at the normal time of 3.25 after the whole school has been to St Peters Church for our annual Harvest Festival, which is being led by our Year 4 team. They will be dismissed as normal as we will all be back at school by the end of the school day. We have INSET day on Monday 31st October where all staff will be taking part in safeguarding training. Term therefore restarts after the half-term break on Tuesday 1st November for all children.

Clare Wright

The children had so much fun on Monday during the Frimley 'Skipathon'. Not only did we raise £514.91 for our chosen charity 'Chloe and Sophie's Special Ears Fund' (CSSEF), but the children had a lot of fun exercising in the sun whilst singing and jumping to music. Thank you to everyone for supporting this Year 5 fundraising event.



Hairstyles

I am noticing that a few children have been coming to school with lines shaved into their hair. Please can I remind you that this is not in line with our uniform policy so please do not send your child to school with these shaved patterns as it causes unnecessary awkwardness with staff having to speak to the children about it.

Writing success

Well done to Tristan in Year 5 who recently entered a piece of writing into a Young Writers competition set up by the local library. Tristan was one of 5000 entries in his age category and I am delighted that he was awarded with a Certificate of Merit and his work will be published in the Young Writers' Annual Showcase 2022 Collection.

Visits to the Infant Schools

Last week, Noah and Jasmine (our Head Boy and Head Girl) visited the Year 2 children at Cross Farm and Sandringham to tell them all about our wonderful school. They spoke enthusiastically and confidently about what they love about Frimley and all of the amazing opportunities we have on offer for our children. Mrs Jones, a Year 2 teacher at Sandringham, emailed to say how enthused the children were after the visit. Thank you Noah and Jasmine for representing our school so fantastically.



Gymnastics success

Well done to Declan in 5S who was at Pegasus Gymnastics club in Maidstone at the weekend for the south east region grades qualifiers. The top 6 places would qualify. He did brilliantly and qualified in third place so got a bronze medal! He will now be part of the team representing the south east at the

P.E after half term

Please ensure your child comes to school in P.E kit on the following days after half term:

Year 3: Monday and Thursday

Year 4: Wednesday and Thursday

Year 5: Monday and Friday

Year 6: Tuesday

Sports Update



Our MUGA (Multi-use Games Area) was recently recovered and painted and now looks amazing! It is a great space for netball, tennis and badminton that we will be teaching in PE this year. We also hosted our first netball fixture on it in September and won both of our games!

Cross Country @ Ravenscote

We recently took 49 children from all year groups to Ravenscote to compete against other local schools in a cross-country fixture. The course was 2 laps around their field which was 1.2km in total. We managed to achieve 3 gold and 2 bronze medals across the 8 races and all of the children represented the school brilliantly! We look forward to the next Year 5 and 6 races which will be held at Frimley in November!





Cake Sale & Pyjama Day for Children in Need

On Friday 18th November, will be supporting a 'spotacular' *Children in Need* by hosting a cake sale and wearing our pyjamas to school for the day. We would like the children to bring in their slippers for some Feel Good Friday afternoon activities before enjoying the after-school cake sale which will be held under the canopy outside the Year 5 classrooms. Please help us to support *Children in Need* by donating a cake and a £1. All monies raised will go towards helping vulnerable children and young people.

For more information and extra 'spotacular' activities go to: [Together we can change young lives - BBC Children in Need](#)

[Get walking for BBC Children in Need - BBC Children in Need](#)



SURREY HEATH MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM (MHST)

We are pleased to share that our school is working with the Surrey Heath Mental Health Support Team, provided by Surrey and Borders NHS Partnership. The Mental Health Support Team will provide interventions for children and young people, with mild mental health and emotional wellbeing difficulties. They will also work closely with our staff and support us in improving our whole schools' approach to mental health. All their work hopes to reduce stigma and improve awareness of mental health so that children and young people can access the right support when they need it.

Invitation to a Library Session

We would like to invite you to a library session with your child's class. These will take place on a Friday afternoon from 2:50pm – 3:15pm over the next few months. There will be planned activities to take part in or you may choose to just enjoy some time reading together. The children will greet you in reception and take you to the library. Once the session is finished, you will be able to wait on the playground whilst the children collect their things for home. We look forward to welcoming you into our library.

November 11 th	3R
November 18 th	3W
November 25 th	3P
December 2 nd	4C
December 9 th	4B
January 6 th	4M
January 13 th	5S
January 20 th	5Mi
January 27 th	5Mu
February 10 th	6C
February 24 th	6H
March 10 th	6P

Reading F.C. Ticket offer

Reading FC have offered Frimley parents and carers specially discounted tickets to their home match against Coventry City on Saturday 10th December at 3pm. If you use the code

#FrimleyCEJuniorSchool in the basket when you checkout you will receive the special prices below:

12 and Under: £1

17 and Under: £3

18 to 24: £5

65 and over: £5

Adult: £10



Dates for your diary

Date	Event
20th October	FPTA Disco
21st October	School finishes normal time for half term