FARTHINGHOE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 16: 17th May 2024



Dear Parents, Carers and Governors,

Have you seen the sunshine?! It makes such a difference to everyone's mood doesn't it? Although I am struggling with the fact that everything is so localised at the moment. I leave my house in thick fog to drive through Brackley and arrive in Farthinghoe in bright sunshine. This morning it was the reverse, sunshine at my end, misty and foggy here. Do I bring my coat or not is my dilemma in the morning? I am sure you all have many more

Mr Elson and our wonderful Year 6's have had a busy week this week taking the SATs. The SATs tests are a really scary and stressful time for many of our young people and I would just like to congratulate all our children who took part this year in their resilience, attitude and strength of character. A massive well done from us all, we are so proud of you.

Let's hope the sun continues, one week to half term, will it last until then?

Take special care.

Have a great weekend

Ms Turner and the Farthinghoe Team

Notices

- **DATE CHANGE** Sports' Day & our annual Colour Run, will now take place on Wednesday 26th
- Next Forest School session at Evenley Wood Garden, this Wednesday (22nd May)
- Please return permission slips and payment for Woodford Halse Cross Country, by Friday 24th May
- Please return permission slips and payment for Keystage 2 Viking workshop by Wednesday 22nd
 May
- Mondays Keystage 2 please remember swimming kits
- The last day for ordering uniform, with guaranteed delivery before the summer holidays, is Wednesday 5th June

Summer Sun- It's coming!

The weather is forecast to be warm in the coming weeks so please can you ensure that children have water bottles in school that they can refill and hats to wear. It really helps if children apply suncream at home before they come in. You can buy suncreams which last for 6+ hours if applied once. Children are allowed to bring in their own suncream: please ensure that it is named and they can apply it themselves. If the weather is changeable, please ensure that your child has a lightweight waterproof jacket in school as they do go outside to play in light rain.

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

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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!

Parking in the school vicinity

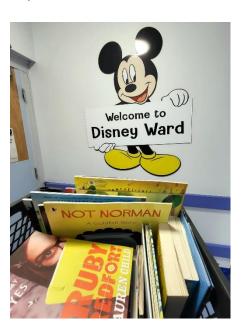
Please be reminded to park considerately and safely when dropping off and collecting your child/ren from school. The Village Hall provides ample parking spaces and the short walk up Cockley Road is safe. Please can we ask that you are mindful not to block driveways or park on dropped curbs. We work hard to have a good relationship with the villagers, and inconsiderate parking is not helpful.

Northamptonshire Music and Performing Arts Trust

We are very lucky to receive the services of NMPAT for in-school music tuition. We have 2 visiting teachers that offer guitar, piano and strings lessons. Children in year 2 upwards are eligible to receive tuition and the cost is £8.33 for a 10-minute lesson (invoiced in blocks of 11, £91.66). We are currently booking the services for the next academic year and if you would like to sign your child up, please speak to Mrs Woolacott

New book donations to Northampton General Hospital

Back in March many of you kindly donated books, as part of our 'World Book Day' celebrations. The used books were donated to a local charity, but the brand new books were donated to the children's ward at Northampton General Hospital. Ms Turner's daughter, Stacey, very kindly dropped them off at the Disney Ward last week - the staff were incredibly grateful and asked us to pass on their many thanks.



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



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This week's 'Star of the Week' Awards have been presented to



Keystage 1 – Maddox Keystage 2 – Yannis



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 20th May, PM - Swimming at Brackley Leisure Centre for KS2 (5)

Wednesday 22nd May - Forest School session at Evenley Wood Garden, EYFS - Yr 2

Friday 24th May - End of Term

Monday 3rd June - Back to School

Monday 3rd June, PM - Swimming at Brackley Leisure Centre for KS2 (6)

Friday 10th June – Children will be commemorating 80 years of the Normandy landings (D-Day), with a visit to Farthinghoe Church

Monday 10th & Tuesday 11th June, all day – Bikeability, cycling proficiency for year 6

Monday 10th June, PM - Swimming at Brackley Leisure Centre for KS2 (7)

Wednesday 12th June – School Nurse team visit, height and weight check for EYFS and year 6. Further information to follow.

Friday 14th June – CANCELLED, new dated TBC School photographs – class photos and year 6 leavers

Monday 17th June, PM - Swimming at Brackley Leisure Centre for KS2 (8)

Wednesday 19th June - Forest School session at Evenley Wood Garden, EYFS – Yr 2

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Wednesday 19th June, PM - Woodford Halse Cross Country Event, Years 3 - 6

Friday 21st **June –** Non uniform day – donation of a bottle, for the Summer Fair (see poster)

Monday 24th June, PM - Swimming at Brackley Leisure Centre for KS2 (9)

Wednesday 26th June, PM (date change) - Sports' Day and Colour Run to celebrate the end of PRIDE month

Monday 1st July, PM - Swimming at Brackley Leisure Centre for KS2 (10)

Monday 8th July, PM - Swimming at Brackley Leisure Centre for KS2 (11)

Wednesday 10th July – End of Year Performance, dress rehearsal

Friday 12th July – Year 6 'Headteacher for the Day'

Sunday 14th July (time TBC) - School Ties Summer Fair at the Village Hall

Monday 15th July, PM - Swimming at Brackley Leisure Centre for KS2 (12)

Wednesday 17th July, PM - End of Year Performance and Leavers' Service at the Village Hall

Friday 19th July - Planned whole school trip, further details to follow in due course

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