

THE NOTICEBOARD

Week Commencing:
Monday 7th October 2019



Tannery Drift
First School

ROYSTON • HERTFORDSHIRE

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Monday 7th October

- 12.00 Dance Club – Years 3 & 4
- 3.15 Sketch Club – Years 1 - 4
- 3.15 Ballet Club – Year 1 & 2

Tuesday 8th October

Individual & Sibling Photos

- 12.00 Drama Club – Years 3 & 4
- 12.30 Drama Club – Years 1 & 2
- 3.30 Football Feet – Years R – 4
- 6.00 EYFS Parent Information Evening in Classrooms

Wednesday 9th October

Year 2 Football Festival – KJAR Senior Site

- 12.00 Lego Club – Years 3 & 4
- 12.00 Tennis Club – Years 3 & 4

Thursday 10th October

World Mental Health Day

- 12.00 Colouring Club – Years 3 & 4
- 12.00 Cup Drumming – Years 3 & 4
- 12.00 Book Club – Years 1 - 4
- 12.30 Stacking Cups – Years 3 & 4
- 12.30 CHIL Club – Years 1 & 2

Friday 11th October

- 9.15 Badger Class Assembly – Harvest Festival
- 12.00 Tennis Club – Years 1 & 2
- 12.00 Multi-Sports Club – Years 3 & 4
- 12.30 Multi-Sports Club – Years 1 & 2

What's coming up next week...

On Wednesday our Year 2 children will be taking part in a Football Festival hosted by King James Academy.

Harvest Festival

We will be celebrating our Harvest Festival on Friday. As part of our celebration we ask the school community to donate fruit, vegetables, packets or tins of food. **If you are able to make a food donation please deliver items to the office by Thursday afternoon** so that Mrs Simons has time to build our harvest display.

Badger class will be leading our Harvest Assembly during the morning at 9.15am. Badger class parents are welcome to come and watch the assembly but do be aware that space will be limited. Following our Harvest Assembly all of the food donated will be available to purchase in exchange for a donation. Produce will still be on sale after school on Friday so anyone who is unable to come to the assembly is still welcome to come along and make a purchase at the end of the day. All money raised will go to Link Ethiopia; during enrichment this term the children have been learning about the World Hunger. This is why we have chosen to support Link Ethiopia this year.

Any fresh produce which is not sold will be donated to Richard Cox House (a local care home), and excess dried produce will be donated to Royston Food bank. Thank you in advance for any donations that you are able to make.



School Photos

On Tuesday the children will have individual and sibling photos taken, these will be available to buy shortly so watch this space!

Please make sure that children arrive at school in the correct uniform and with their smiles ready.

Parking around School

We are increasingly seeing parents parking in the Staff Only car park area. This not only affects the safety of our pupils who then walk through the car park to access their classrooms, but also affects our staff getting to classrooms on time.

Lift sharing for the School Run

With an increasing number of cars on the school run we would like to ask you all to consider if there is someone you could lift share with to reduce both our environmental impact and traffic in the area.

The easiest way to start is to ask around other parents who you know in your neighbourhood if they can share the school run with you.

Enrichment Programme

Badger Class are doing Enrichment classes with Mrs Simons this term and on Thursday 17th October, she has organised a guided tour of the Royston Museum for the class. The class will be split in two for these visits, with one group visiting in the morning and the other in the afternoon. If you are available to help walk the class, please let Mrs Davies or Mrs Goodyear know via the classroom.



Parent Consultations

Our Autumn term Parent Consultations will take place on Tuesday 22nd October from 3.50pm – 6.30pm and Wednesday 24th October from 6.00pm to 8.30pm. Appointments can be booked using Parentmail from Wednesday 9th October.

If you have not used Parentmail to book an appointment before please read through the instructions below:

- Load your Parentmail in the normal way.
- Under newsfeed you will find the event Parents Evening (this will show a red marker once it has gone live).
- Choose the event.
- Choose the date you require from the drop down box.
- Select appointment.
- It will show each of your child's class teachers.
- Press 'Book'.
- Select time.
- Click on 'Add Note' if you wish to discuss a particular topic with your child's class teacher.
- Press save, booking complete.
- Make a note of your appointment time.

Please note that we are only able to offer one appointment per child.

If booking for more than one child it is advisable to leave a 10 minute gap between appointments.

The Book People – Raising Money for School

The Book People currently have a scheme for schools called *Big Book Boost*. Every time a customer spends £10 online, they will donate £1 to a school of the customer's choice (if the school has registered).

<https://www.thebookpeople.co.uk/bigbookboost/schools>

With Christmas fast approaching, please consider using The Book People for your gifts of books and be sure to nominate Tannery Drift First School – you do this after checkout.



Packed Lunch Reminder

Can we please remind all our parents that if you are packing grapes or cherry tomatoes in packed lunches, these need to be cut in half to reduce the risk of choking.

Workout Books

These have now been ordered and will be sent home next week in book bags.

Children In Need

We are very excited to announce that we will be running a Sponsored Bounce-a-Mile on Friday 15th November in aid of Children In Need this year. Children in Reception to Year 4 will have Trampoline Workshops throughout the day with Bounce Beyond Ltd, where each child will have 30 minutes to bounce a mile! Nursery will also have a chance to raise money for the charity with their own bounce-a-thon! Sponsorship forms will come home shortly.

Come dressed to bounce – spots welcome! Hair must be tied back and baggy trousers tucked into socks.



Early Years Need Your Recycling!

Our Early Years classes are in need of clean cardboard boxes and plastic containers/ bottles. If you can help, please bring your recycling to the School Office or pass to your child's teacher if they are in Nursery or Reception.

Aldi's Kit for Schools

Our giant poster is filling up nicely with Team GB stickers. Please do continue to collect that at Aldi when you spend more than £30. We're halfway to completing the challenge and if we collect all 300 stickers we will receive an exclusive sports kit plus a chance to win £20,000! Please encourage friends and family to also collect stickers for us.

Friends of Tannery Drift

Years 3 & 4 Cake/Uniform Sale - Friday 27th

September 2019

A big thank you to everyone who supported this event - we had a wonderful selection of cakes and lots of generous donations which means we raised an amazing £220!

FTDS 100 Club

Last week saw our first FTDS 100 Club draw - the winning numbers were 47 for 1st prize, and 46 for 2nd prize. Congratulations to the first winners! Good luck to everyone for the next draw which will take place on Friday 29th November 2019. If you have any questions, please email: FTDS100Club@gmail.com.

Autumn Disco Friday 18th October

Early Years Disco 5.30-6.30pm, tickets cost £2.50 each (children to be accompanied by an adult)

Years 1-4 Disco 6.45-8.00pm, tickets cost £3 each (children to be left and collect later, unless support is required)

Please send children with a NAMED water bottle.

Tickets can be purchased online through the FTDS website link:

<https://ftds.hoot.cloud/>

There are separate sign up lists for the Early Years Disco (Nursery/Reception) and the Years 1-4 Disco. The website generates a sign in sheet so there is no need to print anything!

Online ticket sales will close by end of day Thursday 17th October.

Tickets will also be sold outside the school office on Friday 18th October at drop off and pick-up outside the School Office.

Medical conditions - FTDS does not have access to school records, please indicate on the online form or to the ticket seller if your child has a medical condition. Please ensure that this information is highlighted when signing your child into the disco.

Contact details - An emergency contact number **must** be provided for all children attending the Years 1-4 unless parents/carers are staying to

support their child(ren).

We will be selling sweets & crisps (10p-30p) and tattoos (50p) and again running a fun photo booth (£1 per copy). If you do not wish your child to have their photo taken, please indicate this when buying tickets.

Children can have individual or group photos. Each copy of a photo (6x4") costs £1.

Photos will be distributed via book bags after the event.

Please note: Photos are strictly for private use only and are not to be shared publicly or via social media. Please ensure that your child has sufficient, but not too much money.

If you are able to help at either disco, please sign up as a helper through the website. **We particularly need helpers for the Early Years Disco.**

For any queries, please

email: friendsoftannerydriftschool@gmail.com

Eco Party Packs for Hire

FTDS 'Eco Party Packs' are available for hire at £5 each. An inexpensive way to cater for any upcoming birthday parties or events, with the added benefit of reducing single use plastic and raising funds for the school. Each pack contains 30 cups, 30 plates, 30 bowls, 4 platters, 2 jugs. More details on how to book these packs for your party can be accessed via the FTDS website link. Booking forms can also be taken from the FTDS leaflet holder (on the outside wall, by the dining hall doors).

Second Hand Uniform

We still have Jumpers/cardigans available for sale for a contribution to FTDS of £2.00 however, we are no longer accepting donations with the old logo. We also have multiple grey uniform in various sizes, which we sell for the bargain price of 50p per item. During the new uniform transition, we will continue selling old logo jumpers / cardigans up until Easter 2020. Please do contact ftdsuniform@gmail.com if you want to look at anything. Meeting up is easiest before or after school on a Friday but other days can be arranged.

FTDS website (Link - <https://ftds.hoot.cloud/>)

Please take a look at the FTDS website for information / sign up forms / online tickets.

FTDS also has a leaflet holder and red post box on the wall outside the dining room doors.

FTDS Event Dates for your Diary

* School Discos - Friday 18th October 2019

* FTDS Meeting - Monday 21st October 7.30pm

* Glazed Creations Christmas Craft - Date TBC

* Christmas Fair - Friday 29th November

Dates for your Diary:

Please note that school dates can all be found on the website: Parents – Term Dates – Events, and then exported to your mobile device.

DATE	EVENT
October	
Tue 8 th	Reception and Nursery Parent Information Evenings - 6pm
Wed 9 th	Football Festival – Year 2
Thu 10 th	World Mental Health Day*
Fri 11 th	Badger Class Harvest Assembly
Tue 15 th	Open Afternoon for Prospective New Parents, 1.30pm - 2.45pm*
Wed 16 th	Cross Country – Year 3 & 4*
Fri 18 th	Penguin Class Assembly
Fri 18 th	FTDS Discos*
Mon 21 st	FTDS Meeting
Tue 22 nd	Parent Consultations, 3.50pm – 6.30pm*
Wed 23 rd	King James Academy Open Morning, 9.00am – 10.30am – Year 4
Thu 24 th	Parent Consultations, 6.00pm – 8.30pm*
Thu 24 th	King James Academy Open Evening, 6.00pm – 8.00pm – Year 4
Fri 25 th	Lion Class Assembly
Mon 28 th -	Half Term
Fri 1 st	

November

Tue 5th Open Morning for Prospective New

	Parents, 9.30am – 11.00am*
Wed 6 th	Youth Speaks – selected Year 4*
w/c 11 th	Arts Week*
Tue 12 th	Flu vaccinations – Rec to Yr 4
Wed 13 th	Speedstacking Festival – Yr 1 & 2*
Fri 15 th	Pelican Class Assembly
Wed 20 th	Open Classrooms*
Fri 22 nd	Owl Class Assembly
Fri 29 th	Kingfisher Class Assembly
Fri 29 th	Christmas Fair*

December

Tue 3 rd	Reception Nativity*
Wed 4 th	Reception Nativity*
Thu 5 th	Nursery Christmas Songs*
Fri 6 th	Occasional Day – School Closed
Tue 10 th	KS1 Christmas Show*
Wed 11 th	KS1 Christmas Show*
Tue 17 th	Imajica Pantomime*
Wed 18 th	Christmas Dinner Day*
Fri 20 th	End of Term – 2.00pm finish

* Further details to follow

Attendance

Class	Attendance %	No. of Lates
Red Robins	99.2%	0
Little Tigers	97.2%	0
Pelicans	97.6%	1
Owls	97.7%	4
Red Foxes	94.8%	0
Puffins	93.3%	0
Penguins	97.9%	0
Badgers	99.3%	1
Kingfishers	98.3%	0
Lions	94.5%	2

2019 - 2020 Term Dates

Autumn Term:

Wednesday 4th September 2019 to Friday 25th October 2019

Monday 4th November 2019 to Friday 20th December 2019

Spring Term:

Tuesday 7th January 2020 to Friday 14th February 2020

Monday 24th February 2020 to Friday 3rd April 2020

Summer Term:

Tuesday 21st April 2020 to Friday 22nd May 2020

Tuesday 2nd June 2020 to Tuesday 21st July 2020

There will also be an Occasional Day on Friday 6th December 2019

Please be aware that the early May Day bank holiday has changed from Monday 4th to Friday 8th May 2020.

Please avoid taking any term time holidays.

2020 – 2021 Term Dates

For those of you who are planning holidays much further ahead please note the dates below from Hertfordshire County Council for the 2020 – 2021 school year. Two Inset days are still to be added to the calendar but this will help you now to plan your holidays outside of term time:

Autumn Term:

Thursday 3rd September 2020 to Friday 23rd October 2020

Monday 2nd November 2020 to Friday 18th December 2020

Spring Term:

Tuesday 5th January 2021 to Friday 12th February 2021

Monday 22nd February 2021 to Friday 26th March 2021

Summer Term:

Monday 12th April 2021 to Friday 28th May 2021

Monday 7th June 2021 to Wednesday 21st July 2021

There will also be an occasional day on Friday 4th December 2020.