

THE NOTICEBOARD

Week Commencing:
Monday 4th November 2019



Tannery Drift First School

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www.tannerydrift.herts.sch.uk

Monday

- 12.00 Dance Club – Years 3 & 4
- 3.15 Sketch Club – Years 1 - 4
- 3.15 Ballet Club – Years 1 & 2
- 7.30 FTDS Meeting

Tuesday

- Open Morning 9.30am – 11am
- 12.00 Drama Club – Years 3 & 4
- 12.30 Drama Club – Years 1 & 2
- 3.30 Football Feet – Years R – 4

Wednesday

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

Thursday

- 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

- 12.00 Tennis Club – Years 1 & 2
- 12.00 Multi-Sports Club – Years 3 & 4
- 12.30 Multi-Sports Club – Years 1 & 2

We would like to wish you all a restful half term and we look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 4th November re-energised for the run-up to Christmas which is always a busy half term!

What's coming up after half term...

On Tuesday morning we will be hosting our second Open Event, 9.30am – 11am for prospective Nursery and Reception parents due to start with us in September 2020.

Please note that clubs start back straight after half term and we would ask that you remind your child which club they are signed up to.

Parent Consultations

Thank you to all our parents and carers that came to our Autumn term Parent Consultations. If you were unable to meet with your child's teacher but would still like an opportunity to discuss their progress, please speak with your class teacher to discuss a suitable time. Alternatively we will have Open Classrooms on Wednesday 20th November when you can see your child's work and have an informal chat with the class teacher.

Staff News

The children said goodbye to Mrs Stewart this week with a heartfelt assembly on Thursday. There were a few tears and Mrs Stewart loved her thoughtful gifts.

Mrs Anna Page joins us after half term as maternity cover for Miss Hoare. She will be an integral part of our Senior Leadership Team. Her working days will be Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Mrs Page comes to us with significant experience working in primary schools.

Open Morning

We have an Open Morning for prospective Nursery and Reception families on Tuesday 5th November from 9.30am – 11.00am. Do let friends know if they have children due for Nursery (will be 3 years by 31/08/2020) or Reception (will be 4 years by 31/08/2020) in September 2020. Please read further information below for how to apply.

Admissions

Applications for Nursery are now open.

Applications for Middle School and Reception open on 5th November and all **close on Wednesday 15th January**. All applications must be made online and details are below. If you do not have internet access at home you can use the local library or contact the school office for assistance.

Applying for a place at Middle School

If you have a child in Year 4 you will need to apply for a Middle School place for September 2020: www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/school-admissions/primary-junior-and-middle-schools/primary-junior-and-middle-school-places.aspx

Applying for a Nursery Place

If you are considering applying for a Nursery place for September 2020, applications are made directly to school, more information and the application form can be found here: www.tannerydrift.herts.sch.uk/admissions-information/

Applying for a Reception Place

Applications for a place in Reception in September 2020 are still made online via Hertfordshire County Council: www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/school-admissions/primary-junior-and-middle-schools/primary-junior-and-middle-school-places.aspx

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 at checkout.

Aldi's Kit for Schools

If you still have any Aldi stickers we will be happy to pass them on to another local School that is still trying to reach its target!

The Poppy Appeal

The Royal British Legion has provided Poppies and other items for sale to raise money for this worth cause. These are available for purchase from the School Office before and after School.

Children in Need



On Friday 15th November, in aid of Children in Need, Reception to Year 4 will take part in trampoline workshops throughout the day with Bounce Ltd. Each child will have 30 minutes to bounce and their challenge is to bounce 1 mile! Nursery will also have a chance to raise money with their own bounce-a-thon in the classroom.

Sponsorship forms are on their way home today, we are aiming to have all forms and sponsorship money raised returned to school no later than Friday 29th November. Thank you!

Friends of Tannery Drift

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

Friends of Tannery Drift School Christmas Fair

Friday 29th November 3.30 – 5.30pm

Raffle Tickets

Christmas Fair Raffle tickets will be going home in book bags the week after half term.

As always, we would be very grateful if you could sell as many tickets as you can and return the completed stubs, money and unsold tickets to the Friends Post Box (outside the dining hall) by **Thursday 28th**

November ready for the draw at the Fair.

More tickets will be available at the office, should you be able to sell them all and require more. There will also be a Raffle stall at the Fair to buy tickets on the day. Please note that raffle tickets can only be purchased by individuals aged 16 and over.

We have had donations of some fantastic prizes for the raffle this year, including prizes from The Heath Cafe, Glazed Creations and Royston Leisure Centre to name a few.

'Grab-a-Bag' Tombola and request for donations

Friday 22nd November is FTDS Non-Uniform Day! In exchange for your child wearing their own clothes to school we are asking for a donation of £1, to be collected by class teachers on the day. Donations will be used to stock our 'Grab-a-Bag' tombola at the Christmas Fair (replacing our Cup Tombola). Any additional donations of wrapped sweets or small toys for the 'Grab-a-Bag' tombola would also be gratefully received.

We are also seeking donations of:

- Bottles (any type) of alcoholic/soft drinks/sauces/jams etc. for our Lucky Bottle game
- Christmassy cakes/biscuits for our refreshment stall

In order to help us plan for the Fair, we kindly ask that any donations are brought into school on November 22nd (fresh products on the morning of the Fair please!).

Year 4 Helpers

Year 4 Christmas Fair Helper letters will be sent home after half term. Please ensure you return these forms if your child would like to volunteer.

Finally, if you are able to help set up and/or pack away after the Christmas Fair then any assistance

in running this popular event is very welcome, please email friendsoftannerydriftschool@gmail.com.

All proceeds raised at the Christmas Fair will go towards the school.

Glazed Creations

The Christmas Craft this year will see the children painting a tealight holder, with a choice of styles and a selection of festive stickers for them to use as part of their designs.

The pottery will be returned to school a week later making this a great opportunity for Christmas presents for relatives.

Sessions will run on Monday 2nd December and Wednesday 4th December from 3.15 to 4.15pm. Children in Reception through to Year 4 will be collected from their classrooms by FTDS volunteers at the end of school. Nursery children should be collected by their parents/carers and they must be supervised for the duration of the event.

Tickets for this popular event will go on sale the week of 11th November via the FTDS website.

Christmas Cards

All the designs have now been sent off and the order forms containing a scan of your child's design will go out in book bags just after half term with details of the deadline for submitting your orders. This year orders can be made online.

If you have any questions, please

email: friendsoftannerydriftschool@gmail.com

Disco

Many thanks to everyone who attended both discos last Friday – I hope you all had a great time!! A big thank you to all the helpers who made the event possible.

FTDS Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Monday 4th November at 7.30pm. As usual we welcome any new members who would like to come along.

Attendance and Punctuality:

Class	Attendance %	No. of Lates
Red Robins	95.2%	1
Little Tigers	98.8%	2
Pelicans	98.6%	0
Owls	98.8%	0
Red Foxes	98.5%	1
Puffins	93.3%	0
Penguins	98.5%	1
Badgers	95.0%	1
Kingfishers	100%	0
Lions	97.3%	1

2019 - 2020 Term Dates:

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

2020 – 2021 Term Dates

The dates below are from Hertfordshire County Council for the 2020 – 2021 school year. All Inset days have now been added to the calendar on our website and below.

Autumn Term:

Thursday 3rd September 2020 to Thursday 22nd 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:

Tuesday 13th 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.

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	
Mon 28 th - Fri 1 st	Half Term
November	
Mon 4 th	FTDS Meeting, 7.30pm
Tue 5 th	Open Morning for Prospective New Parents, 9.30am – 11.00am
4 w/c 11 th	Arts Week*
Tue 12 th	Flu vaccinations – Rec to Yr 4
Wed 13 th	Speedstacking Festival – Yr 1 & 2*
Wed 13 th	Youth Speaks – selected Year 4
Fri 15 th	Children in Need
Wed 20 th	Open Classrooms*
Fri 22 nd	Non-Uniform Day – Donations for FTDS Christmas Fair
Fri 22 nd	Year 1 (Owl & Pelicans) Assembly
Fri 29 th	Kingfisher Class Assembly
Fri 29 th	FTDS Christmas Fair*
December	
Mon 2 nd	Glazed Creations Christmas Event*
Tue 3 rd	Reception Nativity*
Wed 4 th	Reception Nativity*
Wed 4 th	Glazed Creations Christmas Event*
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



Fair Play After School and Holiday Club are recruiting for Play Assistants

We now have FOUR after school clubs at Tannery Drift School, Icknield Walk School, Studlands Rise School and Roman Way Academy. We are open 2.45/2.50-6pm term time. And we are open for Holiday club, most school half terms and four weeks in the summer holidays, 7.45am - 6pm.

For more information please contact Leonie Bailey on 07905001403 or fairplay@fairplaychildrensclub.co.uk website www.fair-play.uk.com

XPLORER
Fun, Family Challenge

EXPLORE THE PARK, FIND THE MARKERS, COMPLETE THE CHALLENGE, HAVE FUN TOGETHER.

Halloween Xplor Challenge
Date: 30 October 2019
Venue: Priory Memorial Gardens, Royston
Time: 10:30am
Cost: Free

Happy Halloween!

Friends of King James Academy

BONFIRE & FIREWORKS

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@ THE ROYSIA SITE

Gates open at 6.00pm - Bonfire lit at 6.30pm
Fireworks start at 7.00pm

Food and Refreshments
Glow-sticks | Face Painting | Candy Floss

Adults: £3 | Children (2-16 yrs): £2.50 | Family Ticket: £10

Please note that sparklers and hand-held fireworks are not permitted at this event, and smoking is prohibited within the school grounds. Thank you.

ROYSTON FIRE STATION
PRESENTS
HALLOWEEN
TRICK OR TREAT

31st October
5pm - 7pm

Hot food and drinks available!