



Friday Flyer

23rd April 2021

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back! It has been wonderful to begin the term with some warm, dry weather this week. The children have settled quickly back into the routine of school and have been able to enjoy learning outside in the sunshine.

Following national notification date last Thursday, I would like to welcome the new families and children who will be joining us in September. I hope you all enjoy reading our newsletter and finding out what we are getting up to here at Froxfield!

Thank you to those parents who responded to the uniform survey over the Easter break. We found your comments and feedback very useful. At Froxfield we are proud of our uniform and many parents stated that they too are proud of how smart the children look when they are wearing it. Thank you to all parents who continue to support the school by ensuring that children come to school in smart school uniform/PE kit each day. At this time of year, children do have a tendency to start saying that other, non-uniform items are permitted. If in doubt, please refer our to website where all information regarding uniform is listed: [Uniform | froxfield](#)

Following some concerns about the quality of certain items, particularly PE t-shirts, we are carrying out an audit of suppliers to ensure we are able to offer the best quality uniform for the best value. We have also been interested to note comments relating to the difficulty of keeping white polo shirts clean. If anyone has any further thoughts about what colour would be preferable, please do email the office.

We are currently working with a local company, FarrowCreative (no relation!), to redevelop our school website and review our marketing strategies. You will be aware that we have recently launched both a Facebook account [Froxfield CofE Primary School | Facebook](#) and Instagram account [Froxfield CofE Primary School \(@froxfieldceprimary\) • Instagram photos and videos](#). These will link to our new website which will be more user-friendly and utilise the latest technology. We are very grateful to Gemma Spencer (parent of William in Class 4) who has been involved in the photography for this; her photographs perfectly capture the personality and ethos of our school. We are hoping to be able to launch the new site early next half-term.

Over the Easter break, we have received no updates to the 'Schools Coronavirus Operational Guidance', and, as such, our procedures remain unchanged. We are anticipating more information following the next stage of restrictions easing on May 17th. However, we are continuing our planning on the assumption that the usual end of year events and celebrations will be able to take place. These include the Leavers' Service, Summer Play and Sports Day. Whether these events will take place 'in house' or with spectators permitted, I will not know until nearer the time. However, the most important thing is that the children do not miss out again this year.

Finally, a note to let you know that Learning Cluster sheets for this half-term have been uploaded onto Class Dojo. I hope these will give you a good overview of curriculum coverage this half-term.

With warmest wishes,

Mrs V Farrow

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

INSET Days 2020/2021:
Thursday 2nd September
Friday 3rd September
Monday 1st November
Tuesday 4th January
Friday 22nd July

What We've Been Up To

The first May Day dance rehearsal of the year! Our Larks, in particular, who did not get to do this last year, were very excited to have a go!



Class 4 Drama Session during the Concept Day of Salvation



Art Club building a tall tower



Our Entrants to the Royal Academy of Arts Summer Show





Pre-School News

It has been lovely to welcome our children back into pre-school after the Easter break and what a week it has been! We returned to find that all our frogspawn had now hatched and lots of wiggly tadpoles are now swimming around the tank. Our children are so intrigued by them and check them regularly.

On Wednesday, we took clay to the woods, using it to explore the different patterns and textures around us. The children demonstrated creativity and critical thinking as they pushed the clay onto tree bark, collected different natural materials to stick into it and finally flattened it using stones.

Also, this week, following on from last term's interest in birds, one of our parents kindly gave us some geese eggs to look at. We compared these to the hen's eggs that we are more familiar with – our children were amazed at the difference in size. Along with predictions as to what was inside, considering who the eggs might belong to, and watching the changes that occurred when we cooked the different eggs, the geese eggs also invited a host of amazing conversations! Isidro was sure that they belonged to a dinosaur! Thank you so much Mrs Harrison!

Warm wishes

Gillian Jones

Pre-School Manager



And Finally...



Petersfield Town Juniors are looking for new players to join the club for the forthcoming season, commencing in September. This is specifically aimed at the under 11's group, ie. current year 5's who will be entering year 6 next academic year.

If you are interested, please contact the club secretary, David Wands: ptj.secretary@gmail.com

Or visit the Petersfield Town Junior Website and Facebook page at:

<https://www.pitchero.com/clubs/petersfieldtownjnr safcpetersfield>

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