

Friday Flyer

19th April 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Time really does fly; it is hard to believe we are in the final term of this academic year! The children have settled quickly after the Easter break and we are all hoping for some warmer, brighter weather over the coming week. Froxfield School is at its best when the sun is shining!

Over the Easter break, Mr Pike (Dad to Alec in Class 2 and Felix in pre-school) began work on the Spiritual Garden. The progress he made in the two weeks was amazing! The group work has been done, raised beds have been put in and a beautiful water feature has been installed. The children were very excited to see how the work has progressed and can't wait for it to be ready for them to use. A huge thanks to Mr Pike (and the boys) for all the time they dedicated to this project over the Easter break. We are delighted to see the plans becoming a reality within our school grounds.

Places for Reception in September were allocated this week and I would like to welcome all new families and children who will be joining the school in September. I hope you all enjoy reading our newsletter and finding out what we are getting up to here at Froxfield!

The new Learning Clusters for the term are well underway with many exciting events and opportunities planned for the Summer term. This week, Class 1 visited Sea City Museum in Southampton as part of their history learning about the Titanic and why it sank. On this note, we are really grateful to Mrs Jennings and Mrs Sanders (mums to Jensen in Class 4 and Poppy in Class 3) for undertaking training to drive the minibus and for giving up their time to support the school with transporting the children, enabling us to keep the cost of trips to a minimum.

I would also like to thank Mrs Harper (mum to Freya in Class 1 and Chloe in pre-school) and Mrs Doe (mum to Archie in Class 3, Tilly in Class 2 and George in Class 1) for taking on the role of Joint Chairs of FoFS. This term is always a key one for fundraising events, with the sponsored walk, FoFS Concert and Fawley Farm Show. Please do get these dates in your diary and, if you are able to support the FoFS team in any way, I know they will be extremely grateful.

In staffing news, many of you will be aware that Miss Hickey welcomed a baby girl, Francesca, into the world just before the Easter break. I am sure you will join me in wishing her and all the family huge congratulations.

Mrs Rowley, our joint Class 3 teacher, is also expecting a baby in June. She will be with us until just after the half-term break when she will begin her maternity leave. During her absence, Class 3 will be taught by Mrs Fennell on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and Mrs Badman on Wednesdays.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend and that the sun continues to shine.

With Warmest Wishes

Mrs V Farrow

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP VALUE:

Our Value for this Half Term is

Peace

NOTE:

Please connect with us





NEW ARBOR SYSTEM FOR PARENTS

As you know, over Easter we replaced Parentmail and Scopay with our new system Arbor. Most parents are already active on our new system and, while there is a lot to learn, we are seeing the benefits already. Can we encourage any parent who has yet to log into the system to do so as all the resources are now in one location, making things more efficient for parents to navigate. Please do contact the office with any queries you may have.

CLASS 1 TRIP – SEA CITY

Class 1's topic for this half term is 'Anchors Away' which is a history-led topic. They are learning about an event from over 100 years ago and the legacy of what happened and what has been learnt and changed. The children have thoroughly engaged with and enjoyed the learning this week including their visit to Seacity, Southampton. They were fantastic and a real credit to the school. I am very proud of all of them. Mrs Ingham Thomas.



CLASS 1: BAKE SALE

Class 1 will be baking and selling cakes at the end of the school day at 3.15pm on Thursday 9th May in the playground with all proceeds going to their chosen charity, Petersfield Food Bank. Please come and buy cakes and also bring in any non-perishable food contributions you may wish to for us to take to the food bank.

CATERING ASSISTANT POSITION AVAILABLE

We are looking for a catering assistant to help our cook in the kitchen from Monday – Friday 11.00am to 1.30pm, term time only. No experience is required and all necessary training will be provided. Please contact the school office on 01730 827251 or pop into school for further details.

Pre-School

It has been lovely to welcome back the children after the Easter break with some sunny weather! We have been spending lots of time outside and spent an afternoon at school enjoying the adventure playground, the bikes and the musical instruments. The children really enjoyed this and have already been asking to go back. We shared our story for this half term, Jaspers Beanstalk, in the willow dome and the children loved going through the tunnel.

On Wednesday we spent the morning up in the woods making mud paints and creating art with sticks and mud. Some children spent a long time doing this and even added grass and leaves to their pictures. They then climbed the trees, looked at the bluebells, which are starting to grow, and asked if next week we could draw them!

Warmest wishes,

Charlotte Spikins







FoFs

Thank FoFS it's Friday!

We hope you all had a wonderful Easter break and are looking forward to a busy Summer Term.

Firstly, many thanks to all the children who made Easter Gardens for Class 2's competition on the last day of term. There were some fantastic entries and many congratulations to the winners, Amber (Class 1), Primrose (Class 2), Nellie (Class 3) and Freya & Eloise (Class 4). Many thanks to Mrs Hollis for judging. The sum of £40 was made for FOFS so thank you all so much!

Our next event is the **Spring Sponsored Family Walk**:



Sunday 28th April at 10am Gilbert White's Car Park

Short route (3.5km): we will go past Selborne church, following the chalk stream through butterfly meadows, and out to some lakes where children can spot wildlife and loop back through the forest to the village of Selborne.

For those with longer legs and more energy you can continue onto the **longer route (6.5km in total)** up the Zig Zag path providing spectacular views across the South Downs and onto Selborne common and back down into the village. This year, four legged friends on leads are welcome to join too.

Following the walk there'll be a chance to get some refreshments together at the Selborne Arms, where there is an outdoor play area and garden. All families are welcome. Please let your class rep know if you will be taking part.

If you'd like to raise some sponsorship, all funds raised will continue to enrich the school experience for all our children.

Sunday 7th July

Finally, plans are well underway for the Fawley Farm Horse and Dog Show. We will be asking for help in the coming weeks, but in the meantime, we are starting to collect **Raffle Prizes** and would be grateful for any donations or assistance in making requests. If you can donate something or assist us, please message Sophie on 07734 861491 – thank you!

Have a great weekend,

FOFSx

School Diary 2023/2024

New dates added in Red

Sunday 28 th April	FoFS Sponsored Walk, 10.00am		
Monday 29 th April	Class 3: Trip to Gilbert White Field Study Centre		
Monday 29 th April	Class 1: Visiting local bluebell woods 1-3pm		
Thursday 9 th May	Class 1: Bake sale after school, 3.15pm in school		
	playground (all proceeds to Petersfield Food Bank)		
Friday 24 th May	Class 3: Bake Sale, school field, 3.15pm		
Friday 24 th May	Mufti day, £1.00 donation for FoFS		
Wednesday 5 th June	Class 1 & 2: Maypole dancing, 2.30pm on the field		
	(all parents welcome)		
Thursday 20 th June	Sports Day – Timings to follow		
Thursday 20 th June	Class 4 Event at Sports Day (more details to follow)		
Sunday 23 rd June	Summer Concert 3.00pm (more details to follow)		
Friday 28 th June	Mufti day, £1.00 donation for FoFS		
Sunday 7 th July	Fawley Horse & Dog Show 10.00am		
Tuesday 9 th July	Y6 Transition Evening (Y6 pupils and families meet		
	their tutors and find out more about going to TPS)		
Wednesday 10 th July	Year 6: Leavers service, Portsmouth Cathedral		
Friday 12 th July	Transition Day (Y6 attend TPS all day)		
Friday 19 th July	End of Term – School breaks up at 1.30pm		
Tuesday 3 rd September	New Academic Year – School returns		

Wednesdays: Terra Recycle Scheme AM & Open Classroom PM

SCHOOL INSET DAYS for the DIARY

Monday 22nd July 2024 Tuesday 23rd July 2024 Monday 2nd September 2024 Friday 20th December 2024 Monday 24th February 2025 Monday 21st July 2025 Tuesday 22nd July 2025

Other Information

FoFs and Class Reps 2023/2024

Pre-School	Katherine Harper		
YR	Katherine Harper & Sophie Doe		
Y1	Rowena Rayner & Sophie Blythe		
Y2	Clare Souter & Kate Masters		
Y3	Jessie Barton & Rowena Rayner		
Y4	Katie Innes & TBC		
Y5	Shannon Askew & TBC		
Y6	Tasha Cunningham & Sarah Grant		
Chair	Katherine Harper and Sophie Doe		
Secretary	Rachel Nicholson		
Treasurer	Sarah Dunford		

CLUBS

Day	Time	Club	Years	Dates
Monday	3.15pm - 4.15pm	Aspire Sports	1-6	15 th April - 1st July
				Spaces available
Tuesday	Lunchtime	French	R-6	16 th April - 2 nd July
				Spaces available
Tuesday	3.15pm - 4.20pm	Lego Club	1-3	16 th April - 16 th July
				Spaces available
Tuesday	3.15pm - 4.45pm	Cook Stars	1-6	16 th April - 9 th July
				Spaces available
Wednesday	3.15pm – 4.05pm	Tennis Club	1-3	17 th April – 10 th July
				Spaces available
Wednesday	3.15-4.15pm	Art Club	1-4	24 th April – 10 th July (excluding 5 th
				June)
				Spaces available
Wednesday	3.15pm – 4.15pm	Speaking with	5-6	17 th April – 12 th June
		Confidence		Spaces available
Thursday	3.15pm - 4.00pm	Choir	3-6	25 th April – 4 th July (excluding 20 th &
				27 th June)
				Spaces available
Thursday	3.15pm – 4.15pm	Tennis Club	4-6	18 th April – 11 th July
				Spaces available
Thursday	3.15pm - 4.00pm	Boppin Dance	R-3	18 th April – 4 th July
				Spaces available