

# THE NOTICEBOARD

Week commencing:

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023



Tannery Drift  
First School

ROYSTON · HERTFORDSHIRE

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## Monday

- 12.00-12.30 Years 1 & 2 Colouring club
- 12.00-12.30 Years 3 & 4 Rugby club
- 12.30-1.00 Years 1 & 2 Rugby club
- 3.15-4.00 Years 1 - 4 Sketch book club
- 3.15-4.00 Year 2 Science club
- 3.15-4.00 Years 1 & R Ballet club
- 3.15-4.00 Years 1 & 2 Playdough club

## Tuesday

- 12.00-12.30 School Council meeting
- 12.00-12.30 Years 3 & 4 Yoga club
- 3.15-4.25 Football Feet

## Wednesday

- Thinking Day Brownies, Rainbows, Beavers & Cubs encouraged to wear their uniforms.
- 9.00 Phonics and Reading meeting for Reception parents in the hall
- 12.00-12.30 Years 3 & 4 Lego club
- 12.00-12.30 Years 3 & 4 Uno Plus club
- 12.00 – 12.30 Year 3 Tennis club
- 12.30-1.00 Year 2 Tennis club
- 12.30-1.00 Years 2 & 3 Construction club

## Thursday

- Cricket coaching for Years 3 & 4
- 9.00 Year 3 whole-class guitar lessons
- 12.00-12.30 Years 3 & 4 Music club
- 12.00-12.30 Year 2 Cricket club
- 12.00 – 12.30 Year 4 Tennis club
- 12.30-1.00 Year 1 Tennis club
- 12.30-1.00 Year 1 Cricket club

## Friday

- 8.45 Parent Coffee Morning  
Helping your child manage their anger
- 9.15 Kingfisher Class assembly  
In the hall – parents welcome
- 12.00-12.30 Years 3 & 4 Multi-sports club

## Strike Action

Thank you for your support around the recent National Teachers' Strike. We were pleased to be able to remain fully open. Further strike action is planned for 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March. Please plan for your child to be in school on these days as we expect to be open. If this changes, we will of course let you know. If you do not hear from us, school will be open.

## Djembe Drumming

Today was the last day of the Year 4's djembe drumming sessions. The children have been engaged and enthusiastic throughout. Caz Wolfson, their teacher from Herts Music Service, said that it has been a delight to work with our Year 4 pupils. Well done, Year 4!

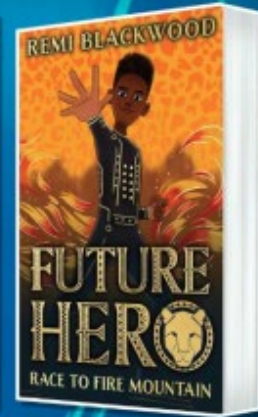
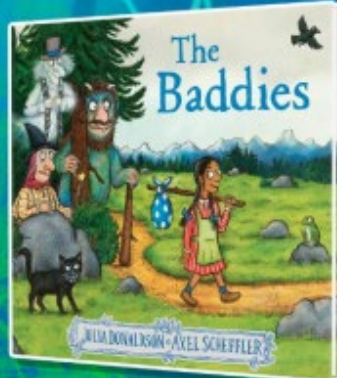
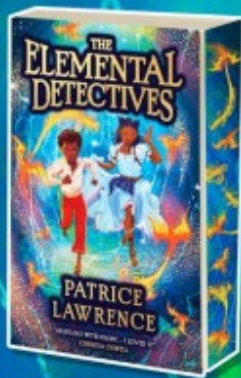


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Enjoyment – Achievement – Respect

# COME TO THE BOOK FAIR

AND EARN FREE BOOKS FOR OUR SCHOOL



Thursday 16th and Friday 17th March

## Scholastic Book Fair

Reading for pleasure has a huge impact on children's academic success and personal wellbeing. To inspire and excite children with a selection of books, we are delighted to be holding a Scholastic Book Fair in school on Thursday 16th and Friday 17th March. The fair will take place in the school hall and will be open from 8.15-8.45 and 3.15-3.45.

Coming to the fair is a wonderful way to support reading in school because for every book you buy, **we get one free for the school library!**

As part of World Book Day, all the children will be given a voucher, which can be used at the fair.

## Wooden Spoon Competition



Grab yourself a wooden spoon, turn it into a book character and be in with the chance of winning a £5 book token to spend at the fair!

Closing date for entries: Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March.

After half-term, wooden spoons will be available to buy from the office for 50p. Mrs Torres will be running a lunch-time spoon-designing club for anyone who would prefer to make their spoon in school!

## Times Table Rock Stars

As part of our Number Day activities, many of the children took part in the Times Table Rock Stars competition.



Congratulations go to:

Lions - highest scoring band

Badgers - second highest scoring band

Penguins - third highest scoring band

And to:

Cornel (Badgers) - highest scoring player

Greta (Lions) - second highest scoring player

Callum (Badgers) - third highest player.

Well done to everyone who took part...

...and thanks to your generosity on Number Day we raised a magnificent £331 for NSPCC, as well as having lots of number-based fun!












## Chance to Shine cricket coaching

Chance to Shine is a national charity that aims to give all children the opportunity to play, learn and develop through cricket. They will be delivering 6 weeks of cricket coaching to all Key Stage 2 children in PE lessons, and to Years 1 & 2 through a lunchtime club.

As well as the physical benefits of regular activity, they use cricket to teach children important key life skills that will help them beyond the playground, such as respect, fair play, communication and perseverance. We still have a few spaces for the lunchtime clubs. Please email the office if your child is interested.



## Attendance

Class	Attendance
Ladybirds 	94.3%
Red Robins 	90.7%
Little Tigers 	94.8%
Pelicans 	94.8%
Owls 	94.6%
Red Foxes 	96.6%
Puffins 	94.8%
Badgers 	93.6%
Penguins 	95.1%
Lions 	96.5%
Kingfishers 	96.0%

## Tannery Drift First School Term Dates and Holiday Dates 2023-2024

Attached to this Noticeboard, you will find the term dates for the next academic year, including newly announced INSET days. You will notice that we have 1 INSET day at the start of the year in September, and 2 days at the end of the Summer Term (Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd July 2024). We urge you not to take your child out of school for holidays; these absences are always unauthorised – even when tagged on to the start and end of term - and could result in a fixed penalty notice being issued for non-attendance.





The time has come to say goodbye to the trainee teachers who have been working in Years 1 & 4. It has been a pleasure to have them in school and the children have really enjoyed having them in the classroom and learning with them. We wish them all the very best in their future careers.



If your child is absent, it is really helpful if you cancel their school dinner on School Grid, to ensure that you won't be charged for it.

### **New PE timetable**

The timetable for PE after Half Term will be as follows:

Reception - Tuesday

Year 1 - Monday and Friday

Year 2 - Monday and Tuesday

Year 3 - Wednesday and Thursday

Year 4 - Wednesday and Thursday

Please send children to school in PE kits on these days.



## **Friends of Tannery Drift School**

[friendsoftannerydriftschool@gmail.com](mailto:friendsoftannerydriftschool@gmail.com)

Registered Charity: 291369

Hopefully you will all have seen our letter sent by email yesterday asking for help. If you are able to offer just a little bit of time, either on the Committee, or at events, then please get in touch on the email address above. Many hands make light work!

### **Spring Disco – Friday 10th March (EY during school, Years 1 - 4 6 - 7.30pm)**

A massive thank you to everyone who has already volunteered to help at the disco. We are pleased to confirm that we have enough helpers for this event to go ahead - we know the children will be very excited!

The Years 1 - 4 disco will be on Friday 10th March from 6 - 7.30pm in the school hall. Tickets will cost £3.50, and will be on sale before and after school, and online, in the week leading up to the 10th. There will be a tuck shop for snacks and drinks, tattoo stall and games, plus a quiet area. Full details to follow after half term.

Nursery and Reception children will have a disco during the day and will therefore not need to buy tickets. A link for donations will follow instead.

### **Second-hand Uniform, and more**

Thank you to everyone who has donated and purchased second hand uniform recently. We managed to raise £60 from our pop-up shop last Friday! If you have any specific orders/requests, then please email us at [ftdsuniform@gmail.com](mailto:ftdsuniform@gmail.com). And if you have any items to donate (clean, good quality logo uniform, welly boots or coats), then please place them in the uniform bin outside the Year 1 classrooms, near the car park.

## Dates for your Diary:

DATE	EVENT
<b>February</b>	
Weds 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Thinking Day – Rainbows, Brownies, Beavers and Cubs encouraged to wear uniforms Reading and phonics meeting for Reception Parents – 9am in the hall
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Coffee Morning – Helping your child manage their anger Kingfisher Class Assembly - 9.15am In the hall – parents welcome
<b>March</b>	
Thur 2 <sup>nd</sup>	World Book Day*
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Penguin Class Assembly - 9.15am In the hall – parents welcome
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Coffee Morning – Sleep, Routines and Chores FTDS Disco - evening*
Tue 14 <sup>th</sup>	Open Classrooms*
Thur 16 <sup>th</sup> /	
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Scholastic Book Fair*</b>
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup>	Red Nose Day* Pelican Class Assembly - 9.15am In the hall – parents welcome
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup>	E-Safety Parent Information Webinar 6.30pm
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Coffee Morning – Supporting your anxious child Red Fox Class Assembly - 9.15am In the hall – parents welcome Last day for clubs. No clubs next week.
w/c Mon 27 <sup>th</sup>	Feeling Good Week
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup>	Ladybirds Easter Hat Parade*
Thur 30 <sup>th</sup>	Reception Easter Hat Parade*
Fri 31 <sup>st</sup>	Term ends 2pm

\*Further details to follow

## 2022 – 2023 Term Dates

The dates below are from Hertfordshire County Council. Please ensure any holidays are booked outside of term dates.

### Spring Term 2023

Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> January 2023 to Fri 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023  
Mon 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023 to Fri 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

### Summer Term 2023

Mon 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023 to Fri 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023  
Mon 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023 to Fri 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023  
BANK HOLIDAYS: Mon 1<sup>st</sup> May, Mon 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023  
INSET: Mon 5<sup>th</sup> June, Fri 21<sup>st</sup> July

## 2023-2024 Term

### Autumn Term 2023

To begin on Fri 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023  
(This is an INSET day)  
First day in school for children:  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September

Half Term: 23<sup>rd</sup> October- 27<sup>th</sup> October 2023  
To end on Wed 20<sup>th</sup> December 2023  
INSET DAY: Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023  
Occasional Day: Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023

### Spring Term 2024

First day back for children: Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024  
INSET DAYS: Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> and Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024  
Half Term: 19<sup>th</sup> February – 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024  
To end on Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024

### Summer Term 2024

To begin on Mon 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024  
Half Term: 27<sup>th</sup> May – 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024  
Last day of school for the children: Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024  
To end on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024  
INSET DAYS: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024  
Bank holiday Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024

