

THE NOTICEBOARD

Week commencing:

Monday 3rd October



Tannery Drift
First School

ROYSTON · HERTFORDSHIRE

www.tannerydrift.herts.sch.uk

Monday

12.00	Craft club – Year 4
1.30	Year 4 visit to the Heath
3.15-4.00	Art club – Years 1, 2, 3, 4
3.15-4.00	Science club – Year 2
3.15-4.00	Beginner's Ballet – Years R & 1

Tuesday

	Individual pupil photos
3.15-4.25	Football Feet – Year 1, 2, 3, 4

Wednesday

12.00-12.30	Lego club - Years 3 & 4
12.00-12.30	Uno club - Years 3 & 4
12.00-12.30	Tennis club - Year 3
12.30-1.00	Yoga club - Years 1 & 2
12.30-1.00	Tennis club - Year 2
3.15-4.00	Mindful Colouring - Years 1 & 2
6pm	Early Years Information Evening for current parents of Nursery and Reception children

Thursday

12.00-12.30	Music club - Years 3 & 4
12.00 – 12.30	Tennis club - Year 4
12.30 – 1.00	Tennis club - Year 1

Friday

9.15	Red Fox Class Assembly Harvest and food bank collection
12-12.30	Multi-Sports club - Years 3 & 4



@TanneryDrift

Early Years Information Evening

for current parents

Wednesday at 6pm

We warmly invite parents of all children in Ladybirds, Little Tigers and Red Robins (Nursery and Reception) on Wednesday at 6pm. This is a very important meeting which will provide you with key information about your child's time at Tannery Drift. You will also have the opportunity to look around the classrooms, meet the staff and enjoy refreshments with other parents. We ask that you do not bring your children to this meeting.

Parking

Please do not use the drop-off parking zone inside the gates in the mornings or after school. Due to the ongoing building works, we need all the spaces for staff parking. We ask that parents using the spaces to drop off at Breakfast Club move their cars by 8.15am.

If you need to park within the gates, please contact the school office.

A big thank you for your co-operation with this.



You may have noticed that the gates are now padlocked during school hours. This is to ensure the safety of all of our children. We will lock and unlock them at pick-up times. If you find yourself outside the padlocked gates and need access, please telephone the school office or use the buzzer on the vehicle gate.

Enjoyment – Achievement – Respect

Parent Consultations

Our Autumn Term Parent Consultations will take place on Tuesday 18th October from 3.40pm and Thursday 20th October from 6.00pm. The timing of the sessions may differ slightly for Ladybirds.

Appointments can be booked using Parentmail. Bookings will open on Monday 3rd October at 7am and close 24 hours before the meetings.

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

- Login to Parentmail in the normal way.
- Under newsfeed you will find the event 'Parents' Evening'.
- Choose the event.
- Choose the date you require from the drop down box.
- Select appointment.
- It will show each of your children'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 is 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 gap between appointments.

For parents of children in Ladybirds, Mrs Wells will be available on Tuesday 18th, and Mrs Kay on Thursday 20th.

An artist at work



Congratulations to Sofia, an ex-pupil, who has had her work exhibited and sold at Royston Art Society's Autumn Exhibition. One of the paintings she sold, Midnight Owl, was created in an art lesson in Year 4 at Tannery Drift.

Harvest Festival

On Friday 7th October, we will be celebrating our Harvest Festival assembly. We ask that, if you wish to, you send a contribution of non-perishable food to help support local families through the Royston Food Bank. Thank you so much in advance for your generosity.



Booking lunches on SchoolGrid

In order to ensure that all children get a lunch that they like, please order your child's lunch in advance – preferably for the whole half-term. This means that, if our systems go down as they did this week, their lunch is already ordered. If you are unsure how to order ahead, please pop into the office and we will be happy to help.

Year 1 Walk around Royston



On Wednesday afternoon, Year 1 went for a walk around Royston linked to their current topic *Where Do We Live?* On their walk, they named and photographed landmarks within our town and thought about whether they were natural or man-made geographical features. They finished their walk at the park and the children enjoyed creating observational drawings of a feature they could see and identified which geographical feature it was.



Slides from the Year Group Meetings

Slides for parents of children in Years 1-4 are now available on the class information pages of the website: <https://tannerydrift.herts.sch.uk/> and follow the Children's Zone link to your child's class.

Tennis Rackets

If your child brings their own rackets from home for tennis club, please ensure that they are 21 inches and clearly named. We have plenty of good quality rackets which children are very welcome to use.



To book your place, please email: cathryn.phillips@googlemail.com or visit [Royston and Villages SEN Lego Club Facebook Page](#)

Friends of Tannery Drift School

Annual General Meeting – Results

Thank you first to our previous Committee members who have stepped down, especially to Paula McQueen, for being a fantastic Chair for the past few years! Our AGM was held on Wednesday evening, and a new Committee voted in for this academic year, as follows:

Chair	Dorota Donigiewicz
Treasurer	Paul Charleston
Joint Secretaries	Chloë Dowman and Hazel Izod

Plus in the short term, Emma Harding as Social Secretary, and Ruth Barnard, Paula McQueen, and Claire Khodabukus as Ordinary Members. Unfortunately we have no Vice Chair or Vice Treasurer appointed, so it may not be possible to run as many events this year.

Future Events

Having said that, in the lead up to Christmas, we will do our very best to arrange a School Disco, Storytime with Santa, Pantomime, and Christmas Cards. Children will actually be designing their Christmas cards in the next couple of weeks, with orders to be placed 1st-6th November. So don't worry, they're not talking nonsense when they say they did Christmas drawings in class! Watch this space for further information on ordering and pricing.



Help Please!

In order to run these events, we are always in need of volunteers, so if you are happy for your details to be added to our Helpers' mailing list, then please let us know by emailing:

friendsoftannerydriftschool@gmail.com

100 Club

Don't miss out on the opportunity to sign up to the 100 Club for this school year! Registration closes next Friday 7th October. For £10, you are assigned a number which goes into a monthly draw (over 10 months), with two winning numbers every month receiving a cash prize. This is a great way to support the school, while having a bit of fun at the same time, and a good chance of winning! Last year we received 60 entries. We are some way short of that this year, so please encourage your friends and family to sign up, as this will share the fun and increase the prize pot!



Sign up using the previously circulated form, or at our website: <https://FTDS.hoot.cloud/> where you can also find full terms and conditions. Registered Charity: 291369

Dates for your Diary:

DATE EVENT

October

Tues 4th Individual pupil photographs
 Weds 5th Early Years Information Evening
 for current parents of children in
 Nursery and Reception. 6pm
 Fri 7th Red Fox Class Assembly
 Harvest and food bank
 collection
 9.15am in the hall
 Parents welcome
 Fri 14th Lion Class Assembly
 9.15am in the hall
 Parents welcome
 Flu Vaccinations (Year R-4)*
 Tues 18th / Parent Consultations*
 Thurs 20th
 Fri 21st Penguin Class Assembly
 9.15am in the hall
 Parents welcome
 w/c Mon 24th Half Term
 Mon 31st INSET day – school closed for
 children

November

Thurs 3rd Early Years Open Morning for
 Prospective Parents*
 Thursday 3rd KJAR Open Evening 6pm – 8pm
 (Primary Phase: Year 5 & 6)
 Fri 11th Puffin Class Assembly
 9.15am in the hall
 Parents welcome
 Tue 15th Early Years Open Morning for
 Prospective Parents*
 Open Classrooms and Art
 Gallery 3.15pm – 4.45pm*
 Fri 18th Children in Need*

December

Fri 2nd Occasional Day – school closed
 Thur 8th Christmas Carol Service*
 in St John the Baptist Church
 (Years 1-4) 10am
 Fri 16th Christmas Dinner Day
 Weds 21st Last day of term.
 2pm finish

*Further details to follow

New dates are shown in red.

2022 – 2023 Term Dates

The dates below are from Hertfordshire County
 Council for the 2022 – 2023 school year. Please
 ensure any holidays are booked outside of term
 dates.

Autumn Term 2022:

Thursday 1st September 2022 to Friday 21st

October 2022

Monday 31st October to Wednesday 21st

December 2022

INSET: 1st, 2nd September, Mon 31st October

Occasional Day: 2nd December

Spring Term 2023:

Thursday 5th January 2023 to Friday 10th

February 2023

Monday 20th February 2023 to Friday 31st

March 2023

Summer Term 2023:

Monday 17th April 2023 to Friday 26th May 2023

Monday 5th June 2023 to Friday 21st July 2023

INSET: Mon 5th June, Fri 21st July