

THE NOTICEBOARD

Week commencing:
Monday 15th January 2024



Tannery Drift
First School

ROYSTON · HERTFORDSHIRE

www.tannerydrift.herts.sch.uk

Monday

- 12.00-12.30 Rugby club for Years 3 & 4
- 12.00-12.30 Mindfulness Colouring for Years 3 & 4
- 12.00-12.30 Dance club for Years 3 & 4
- 12.30-1.00 Rugby club for Years 1 & 2
- 3.15-4.00 Science club for Year 2
- 3.15-4.00 Makaton club for Years 3 & 4

Tuesday

- 12.00-12.30 Yoga for Years 3 & 4
- 12.05-12.35 School Council
- 3.15-4.25 Football Feet

Wednesday

- 12.00-12.30 Tennis club for Year 3
- 12.00-12.30 Sketch club for Years 3 & 4
- 12.00-12.30 Construction club for Years 1 & 2
- 12.30-1.00 Tennis club for Year 2

Thursday

- 12.00-12.30 Tennis club for Year 4
- 12.00-12.30 TT Rockstars club for Years 3 & 4
- 12.00-12.30 Creative writing club for Years 3 & 4
- 12.30-1.00 Tennis club for Year 1
- 12.30-1.00 Music club for Years 1 & 2

Friday

- 9.15am Kingfisher Class Assembly
Parents and carers welcome

A very warm welcome back to everyone at the start of this new term. On behalf of all the staff in school, a huge thank you for your kind wishes, Christmas cards and thoughtful gifts at the end of term. They were very much appreciated.



This term we have some exciting events ahead of us, including: NSPCC World Number Day, World Book Day, Red Nose Day and Feeling Good Week. The Spring Term diary dates are included at the end of the Noticeboard.



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Enjoyment – Achievement – Respect

Wedding Bells!

Very many congratulations to Miss Blake, who got married during the Christmas holidays. She will now be known as Mrs King. We wish the happy couple all the very best.



A visit from our local PCSO



This week, the children in Early Years enjoyed a visit from Chris Brabrook, a member of the Royston Rural Neighbourhood team – and his police car!

Trainee Teachers

Year 3 are excited to have two trainee teachers with them this term: Miss Serle and Miss Willcox. They will be working alongside Mrs King in Badgers this half term, teaching and supporting the children with their learning.

Contacting your child's class teacher

If there is anything that you would like to discuss with your child's class teacher, you can contact them via the school office (admin@tannerydrift.herts.sch.uk).

Admissions

Applications for Nursery, Year 5 and Reception will close on Monday 15th January 2024. All applications must be made online. If you do not have internet access at home you can use the local library or contact the school office for assistance.



BeeZee families

Fussy eating affects 1 in 4 school-age children. Attached to this newsletter, you will find information from BeeZee Bodies, family nutritionists who deliver free healthy lifestyles programmes to hundreds of families across Hertfordshire.

They also offer free in-person healthy lifestyle programmes beginning in January to support families to build healthy habits around food and physical activity. Visit their website for more details.

The Hertfordshire SEND Local Offer Website

[The Local Offer](#) website lets parents, young people and professionals know what special educational needs and disabilities services are available in Hertfordshire, and who can access them.

If you're interested in attending a webinar about the services on offer, please contact:

localoffer@hertfordshire.gov.uk

Free School Meals

If you are in receipt of certain benefits, your child might be eligible to receive free school meals, and other support. You can check [here](#) or contact the school office, in confidence, for more information.

Before and After School

Please do not allow your children to play on the equipment, or play with balls in the playground. This is for the safety of all of the children.



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FRIENDS OF TANNERY DRIFT SCHOOL

Friends of Tannery Drift School

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

General Meeting –

Monday 15th January at 7.30pm (or virtual)

Please come along to our termly general meeting and find out more about what we do, and have a say on future events and school funding requests. We are also still keen to find a Joint Secretary to share the admin role with Chloë. We hope to see you there! Tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided. Please email us at the address above, with any questions, or if you would like a link to join us online.












Tesco tokens

The Friends of Tannery Drift have made a successful application to Tesco Stronger Starts – and voting with blue tokens starts in-store soon! If successful, the grant would be used to buy waterproof trousers and a new mud kitchen, to encourage year-round outdoor play and learning for our Early Years children.

Attendance

While there are times when your child needs to be collected before the end of the school day, we do ask that this is only as a last resort. Where possible, dental appointments should be made after school or during the holidays.

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.

Class	Attendance
Ladybirds 	93.5%
Red Robins 	95.0%
Little Tigers 	95.9%
Pelicans 	97.0%
Owls 	96.4%
Red Foxes 	97.7%
Puffins 	96.1%
Badgers 	97.2%
Penguins 	97.7%
Lions 	93.6%
Kingfishers 	97.9%

Dates for your Diary:

DATE

EVENT

January

Thurs/Fri

25th/26th

School Book Fair*

Fri 26th

Red Fox Class Assembly

9.15am – Parents and Carers welcome

February

Fri 2nd

NSPCC Number Day*

Badger Class Assembly

9.15am – Parents and Carers welcome

Tue 6th

Safer Internet Day*

Fri 9th

Owl Class Assembly

9.15am – Parents and Carers welcome

Tue 13th

Parent Consultations*

Thur 15th

Parent Consultations*

Fri 16th

Dress Down Day for HomeStart*

Mon 19th– Fri 24th

Half Term

March

Fri 1st

Lion Class Assembly

9.15am – Parents and Carers welcome

Thur 7th

World Book Day*

Fri 8th

Pelican Class Assembly

9.15am – Parents and Carers welcome

Fri 15th

Red Nose Day for Comic Relief*

Puffin Class Assembly

9.15am – Parents and Carers welcome

Fri 22nd

Penguin Class Assembly

9.15am – Parents and Carers welcome

Mon 25th –

Thur 28th

Feeling Good Week

Mon 25th

PGL Parent Meeting at 3.15pm*

Wed 27th

Reception Easter Hat Parade*

Thur 28th

Nursery Easter Hat Parade*

End of Term 2pm

*Further details to follow

2023 – 2024 Term Dates

Spring Term 2024

To begin on Monday 8th January 2024

Half Term: 19th February – 23rd February 2024

To end on Thursday 28th March 2024 at 2pm

INSET Days: Thursday 4th January and Friday 5th January 2024

Summer Term 2024

To begin on Monday 15th April 2024

Half Term: 27th May – 31st May 2024

To end on Friday 19th July 2024 at 2pm

INSET Days: Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd July 2024

2024 – 2025 Term Dates

Autumn Term 2024

To begin on Wednesday 4th September 2024

Half Term: 28th October – 1st November 2024

To end on Friday 20th December 2024

Occasional Day: Friday 6th December 2024

INSET Days: Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd September 2024

Spring Term 2025

To begin on Tuesday 7th January 2025

Half Term: 17th February – 21st February 2025

To end on Friday 4th April 2025 at 2pm

INSET Days: Monday 6th January 2025

Summer Term 2025

To begin on Tuesday 22nd April 2025

Half Term: 26th May – 30th May 2025

To end on Tuesday 22nd July 2025 at 2pm

INSET Days: Monday 2nd June and Wednesday 23rd July 2025



AUTISM & ADHD SUPPORT

for parents/carers of children with
ADHD and/or on the Autistic Spectrum

Angels provide individualised, professional expertise and advice for the families of autistic children and children with ADHD (and those awaiting diagnosis). Come along to our meetings to chat with other parents, share ideas and experiences and gain information, advice and strategies.

We provide:

- Parent support group meetings and workshops in Stevenage, Letchworth and Online.
- Online evening support group meetings
- One-to-one service to support you in a personalised way with any issue around your child/young person's conditions, including support with meetings and forms.
- A private moderated Facebook group just for members.

Scan the QR code and complete our
online membership form to access our
FREE support.



Note for Professionals:

If you are a professional working with families and would like to learn more about Angels, then please contact The Angels Team on info@angelssupportgroup.org.uk

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