

THE NOTICEBOARD

Week commencing:

Monday 29th 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
- 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

Number Day for NSPCC

- 9.15am Badger Class Assembly
- Parents and carers welcome

NSPCC Number Day

Friday 2nd February is NSPCC Number Day! Pupils are asked to wear an item of clothing with a number on it (e.g. football shirt, cap, number badges) or get even more creative by dressing in a maths - or numbers - themed outfit (e.g. as a clock).

To help raise money for the NSPCC we are asking for a suggested donation of £1 for taking part and would really appreciate any extra donations to sponsor the range of activities that the children will take part in on the day.

You can donate by visiting our [Number Day Just Giving page](#). [Tannery Drift First School is fundraising for NSPCC \(justgiving.com\)](#)

A visit from Ms Plowman and Mr Linnane

Members of the KJAR Senior Leadership Team visited Tannery Drift yesterday, and welcomed the opportunity to spend time with Mrs Greetham and Miss Seymour. Together they visited lessons and looked around the school and were wowed by the quality of the teaching and learning across the school. They extended their thanks to the staff and children for the warm welcome.



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Learning in PSHE

Children in Year 2 were tasked to set themselves one of the following personal challenges:

Learn to count to 10 in Mandarin

Count in 2s to 20 in French

Learn the Macarena dance

Memorise a poem

Write a special card to someone.

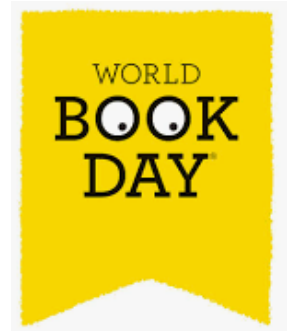
Well done to all the children who achieved their personal challenge. Here are some of their achievements:



World Book Day

We are very excited to be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7th March 2024.

The day will be 'bedtime story' themed and we therefore invite all children to come to school dressed in a pair of comfy pyjamas on this day. Children will spend the day reading, sharing, telling and enjoying a wide range of stories and books.



We alternate dressing-up as a book character with pyjamas each year, so get planning your costumes for 2025!

School-run clubs

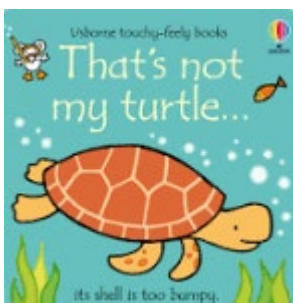
The staff at Tannery Drift run a wide-range of lunchtime clubs, listed on the diary on the first page. You do not need to sign your child up to them, and they are free to attend.



This week, over 30 children had fun playing 'guess that tune' with the boomwhackers at Music Club! Why not encourage your child to give a lunchtime club a try?

That's not my...

If you are having a sort out of books, we are particularly looking for baby and toddler books (in good condition), for example those in the That's not my... series or buggy books and crinkly books.





Friends of Tannery Drift School

friendsoftannerydriftschool@gmail.com

Registered Charity: 291369

Tesco Tokens – Vote now in Store

Our bid for Tesco Stronger Starts funding is now up and running in Royston Tesco Extra. If successful, the grant will be used to buy waterproof trousers and a new mud kitchen for Early Years. Please vote for us using the blue tokens provided. Voting should continue until mid-March, so spread the word!



Second-hand Uniform

Thank you to everyone who has recently donated second-hand uniform and filled our bin! Our stock levels are now very high, so we are not currently accepting any further donations.

We hope to organise a playground sale soon, but this may come at short notice due to the weather conditions, so watch out for comms. If you require any uniform in the meantime, then please contact us at ftdsuniform@gmail.com with your requests.

HomeStart Aquathon – Sunday 28th April, 6pm, Royston Leisure Centre

We are planning to participate in the HomeStart Aquathon again this year, and have reserved 2 team slots for 6-7pm. It is a sponsored event with all fundraising split 50:50 between FTDS and HomeStart.

Last year we had several Year 4 children on the team, plus some ex-Tannery pupils (Year 5 and Year 6) alongside parents/carers. This year we would love to enter two teams of 6, so if you and/or your child would like to take part, then please let us know as soon as possible by email (friendsoftannerydriftschool@gmail.com).












It is a lot of fun and a great experience. There is no pressure to swim fast or complete a specific number of lengths. Go Team Tannery!

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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 	93.9%
Red Robins 	94.9%
Little Tigers 	95.6%
Pelicans 	96.9%
Owls 	96.5%
Red Foxes 	97.6%
Puffins 	96.0%
Badgers 	97.1%
Penguins 	96.5%
Lions 	93.1%
Kingfishers 	97.5%

Dates for your Diary:

DATE

EVENT

February

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*

Coffee Morning

(Understanding phonics and supporting your child with learning to read)

Mon 19th–

Half Term

Fri 24th

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

Coffee Morning

(Building self-esteem and self-confidence in your child)

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

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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