

THE NOTICEBOARD

Week commencing:
Monday 12th February 2024



Tannery Drift
First School

ROYSTON • HERTFORDSHIRE

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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
- 12.00-12.30 School Council
- 3.15-4.25 Football Feet
- Parent Consultations

Wednesday

- 12.00-12.30 Tennis club for Year 3
- 12.00-12.30 Construction Club
- 12.00-12.30 Sketch club for Years 3 & 4
- 12.30-1.00 Tennis club for Year 2
- Parent Consultations (Nursery only)

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
- Parent Consultations



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Friday

- Dress-Down Day for HomeStart (non-uniform)
- 3.15pm End of half-term
- School re-opens on
- Monday 26th February

Non-uniform day on Friday 16th February for Home-Start

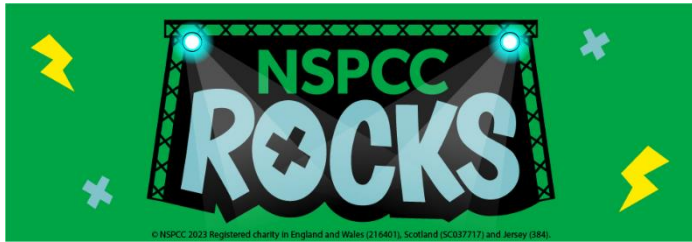
We are holding a 'dress-down' day for all pupils on Friday 16th February, when everyone is welcome to wear non-uniform. If you are able to, please make a donation in support of Home-Start Royston (HSRBSC), Buntingford & South Cambridgeshire. Your contributions will go a long way in helping local families face various challenges, ensuring that parents receive the support they need to provide the best start in life for their children. Thank you for being part of this meaningful cause!

Please donate [here](#). However small your donation, it will make a BIG difference!

Please note that these donations are entirely voluntary, and all children are welcome to wear their own clothes.

Enjoyment – Achievement – Respect

Number Day



Tannery Drift First School Leaderboard:

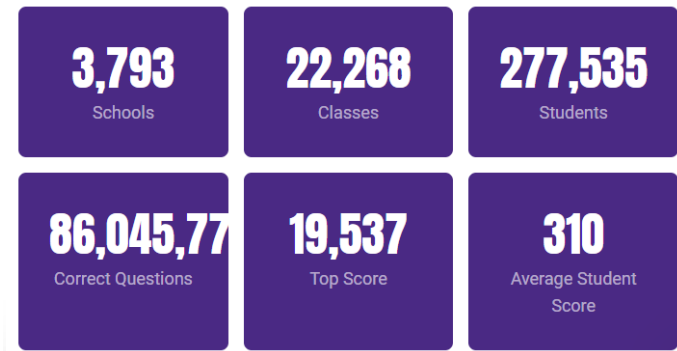
Year 1: Olive, Magdi, Sithroo

Year 2: Emmett, Fred, Piero

Year 3: Joel, Ilsa, Yasha

Year 4: Reuben, Joshua, Sophie G

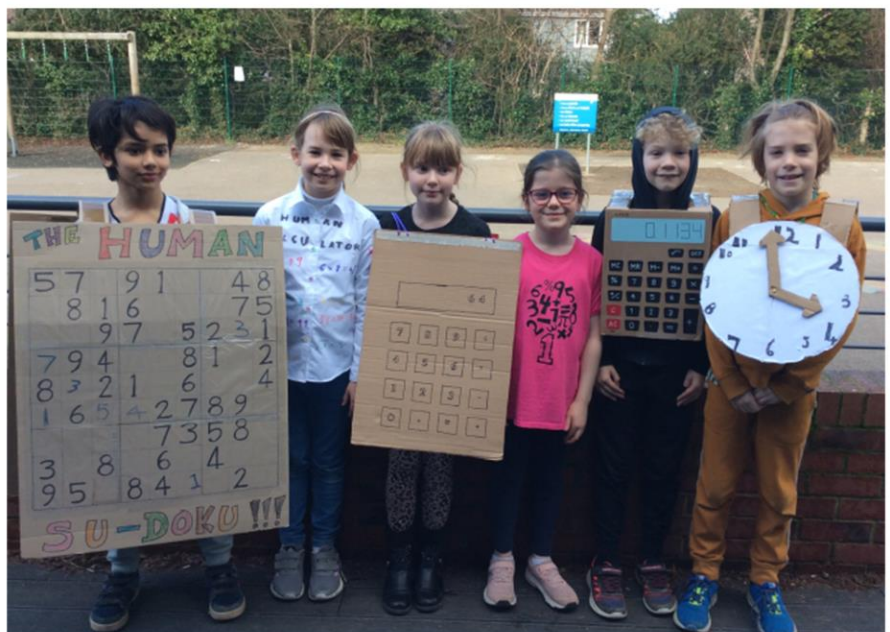
Well done to all the children who took part!



(National data)

Tannery Drift First School: 1561 out of 3793

On Number Day, the children were invited to take part in a Times Table Rockstars competition. TT Rockstars provides a fun platform for children to practise recalling their times tables – a skill that helps in all areas of maths.



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Coffee Morning

Helping your child with phonics and reading

(suitable for parents with children in Early Years and Year 1)

Babies and toddlers welcome

Friday 16th February at 8.45am – 10am

Enrichment Room

If you would like to find out more about helping your child with phonics and reading, please join us at our coffee morning. Mrs Wells will be delivering a presentation and will be available afterwards to answer questions you might have.

If you would like to come, please email

admin@tannerydrift.herts.sch.uk so that we can

prepare a pack for you and ensure there are enough biscuits!

World Book Day

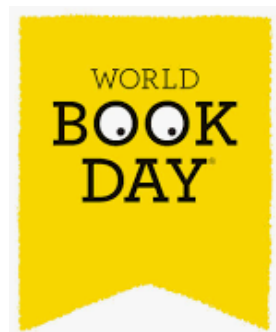
We are very excited to be celebrating World Book Day on **Thursday 7th March 2024**. The day will

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!



Family Toolkit

Dates: Tuesday 27th Feb-26th March

Time 09:30am-11:30am

Venue: Royston Family Centre, Burns Road, Royston SG8 5EQ

SESSION DETAILS

Workshop 1: Introduction to the workshops, course materials, and group agreements. Meet the facilitators and group members.

Workshop 2: Understanding Children's Behaviour, Listening and Communicating, Praise and Encouragement

Workshop 3: Praise and Guidance vs Criticism, Child-led Play and Positive Moments

Workshop 4: Boundaries and Parenting Styles, Time to Calm Down, Dealing with Stress and Conflict

Workshop 5: Choices and Consequences, Behaviour to Ignore, Putting the Puzzle Together, Looking after Ourselves

TO BOOK

Please make sure you are registered with the family centre and have a child under 5 years of age

Follow the link:
www.hertsfamilycentres.org
go to Sign up online and select the refer to us option.
Or call 0300 123 7572.



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Learning about Chinese New Year in Early Years

This week our youngest children have had the chance to taste a variety of Chinese food and, having watched dragon dances, created their own!



Jewellery

A reminder that jewellery is not permitted in school. Stud earrings (no hoops) and a small watch for telling the time are permitted.

Vacancies

Finance and Administration Assistant

For full details and to apply, please visit [Teach in Herts](#)

Midday Supervisory Assistant

We are looking to recruit a MSA to work with our children at lunchtime. The job has not been advertised on Teach in Herts yet, but if you would like to arrange an informal chat with Mrs Greetham to discuss the role, please contact the School Office.



Friends of Tannery Drift School

friendsoftannerydriftschool@gmail.com

Registered Charity: 291369

HomeStart Aquathon – Sunday 28th April, 6-7pm, Royston Leisure Centre

Thank you to those who have already signed up. We just have space for 2 more adults to participate in this year's HomeStart Aquathon. It is a sponsored event with all fundraising split 50:50 between FTDS and HomeStart, and is not a race! If you or a family member would like to take part, then please let us know by email (friendsoftannerydriftschool@gmail.com).

Second-hand Uniform

We had a massive sort out of second-hand uniform last Friday, and a tidy of the shed. Thank you to those who helped. It may still be February, but we are now fully prepared for the Summer Term! Please send any requests for uniform to ftdsuniform@gmail.com.














Save the Date

FTDS Disco – Friday 22nd March. More details to follow!

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 	93.6%
Red Robins 	94.3%
Little Tigers 	95.2%
Pelicans 	96.7%
Owls 	96.2%
Red Foxes 	97.4%
Puffins 	95.8%
Badgers 	97.1%
Penguins 	96.1%
Lions 	92.8%
Kingfishers 	97.2%

Dates for your Diary:

DATE

EVENT

February

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)
FTDS School Disco*

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 11.30 for Nursery children
End of Term 2pm

*Further details to follow

New dates shown in red

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