

# THE NOTICEBOARD

Week commencing:  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2024



Tannery Drift  
First School

ROYSTON · HERTFORDSHIRE

[www.tannerydrift.herts.sch.uk](http://www.tannerydrift.herts.sch.uk)

It has been lovely to welcome the children into their new classes this week and see so much enthusiasm for the year ahead.

Next week sees the start of some of our sports clubs as well as music lessons, with the staff-led clubs to begin the following week. Details and timetables for these will be sent out shortly.

PE lessons begin w/c 9<sup>th</sup> September for Years 1-4 so please ensure your child is in PE kit on the relevant days.

## Monday

12-1.00      Gymnastics Club for Years 1 - 4  
3.15-4.15      Multi Sports for Years 3 & 4

## Tuesday

3.30-4.30      Football Feet for Years 1 - 4

## Wednesday

12-1.00      Tennis for Years 2 & 3

## Thursday

12-1.00      Tennis Club for Years 1 & 4

## Friday

## Wedding Bells!

Congratulations from all at Tannery Drift to Miss Seymour who got married during the summer, the wedding day was absolutely perfect. She will now be known as MRS Seymour.

I know you will join us in wishing the happy couple all the best.



## Platinum School Sports Mark

We are delighted to say that Tannery Drift has been awarded the Platinum School Games Mark, the highest standard that can be achieved, for the second year running.

This has been awarded in recognition of consistently delivering a high standard of physical education which is extremely varied, inclusive and engaging for all children. Thank you to Miss Watts for being such an inspirational PE lead.

We continue to promote exercise and sport as a way of improving both physical and mental health, whilst encouraging children to engage and build social skills.



## School Dinners

A reminder to order your child's meals in advance on [School Grid](#).

If you do not order your child's meal in advance, they will not be able to have a hot option. If there are not enough cold options left, you will be asked to bring in a packed lunch for your child.



## New Building

Our lovely new building is now fully in use, with children in Years 1 - 4 Breakfast and Afterschool Clubs already enjoying the new environment.





## Friends of Tannery Drift School

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Registered Charity: 291369

### Welcome to the new term from Friends of Tannery Drift School

FTDS would like to welcome all new families to our school community, and welcome back all existing families.

Our Annual General Meeting and first general meeting of this academic year will take place on Monday 16th September, 7.30 pm, at school. We would love to see you there to help plan our fundraising activities for the year.

### Bouncy Castle Event

Our first event is the bouncy castle afternoon in 2 weeks time, Friday 20th September (see poster). For this event we will be asking for cake and biscuit donations from some year groups (details to follow next week). In addition, we would greatly appreciate any bottle donations for a raffle from all year groups. Please bring bottles to the school office in advance of the event. Information on how to purchase wristbands for the event will follow next week.

**BOUNCY CASTLE AFTERNOON**

Friday 20th September  
3.15pm – 5.30pm

**£6 WRISTBAND FOR UNLIMITED BOUNCING!**

- Bouncy castle •
- Inflatable obstacle •
- Giant slide •

More fun including.....

- Beat the goalie•
- Cake Stall •
- Tea and coffee •
- Pimms •

**ON THE SCHOOL FIELD**

Cash and card accepted  
Charity number: 291369

We are looking forward to another busy year and thank you in advance for your help and support.

## Attendance

Every moment in school counts and days missed add up quickly. Evidence shows that pupils who have good attendance enjoy better wellbeing and school performance than those who don't.

The school day is split into two sessions – one session counts as a morning or afternoon spent in school. There are only a few occasions where a child is allowed to miss school, such as illness or where the school has given permission because of an exceptional circumstance.

However, if your child misses school without a good reason, local councils can intervene and you may be issued a fine.



## Dates for your Diary:

DATE	EVENT
<b>September</b>	
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>	First full day for Reception Classes
Thu 12 <sup>th</sup>	First full day for Ladybirds Class
Tue 17 <sup>th</sup> –	
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup>	Stagecoach Drama Workshops Y1-4
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>	FTDS Bouncy Castle Event 3.15-5.30
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup>	Kingfisher Class Assembly 9.15 – 9.45 Parents & carers welcome
<b>October</b>	
Tue 1 <sup>st</sup>	Individual & Sibling School Photos
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup>	Badger Class Assembly 9.15 – 9.45 Parents & carers welcome
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup>	Puffin Class Assembly 9.15 – 9.45 Parents & carers welcome
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup>	Owl Class Assembly 9.15 – 9.45 Parents & carers welcome
Tue 22 <sup>nd</sup> –	
Thu 24 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Consultations
Fri 25 <sup>th</sup>	Flu Vaccinations
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup>	Half Term break begins
<b>November</b>	
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup>	Back to school
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>	Pelican Class Assembly 9.15 – 9.45 Parents & carers welcome
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup>	Red Foxes Class Assembly 9.15 – 9.45 Parents & carers welcome
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Penguins Class Assembly 9.15 – 9.45 Parents & carers welcome
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup>	Flu Vaccinations (catch-up session)
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup>	Lion Class Assembly 9.15 – 9.45 Parents & carers welcome
<b>December</b>	
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup>	Occasional Day – School closed
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of Term – 2pm Years R-4 – 11.30am Nursery

Please note, we are providing the below term dates in advance to help ensure holidays are booked outside of term time.



## 2024 – 2025 Term Dates

### Autumn Term 2024

Began on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Half Term: 28<sup>th</sup> October - 1<sup>st</sup> November 2024

To end on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024 at 2pm

Occasional Day: Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2024

INSET Days: Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> & Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

### Spring Term 2025

To begin on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Half Term: 17<sup>th</sup> February – 21<sup>st</sup> February 2025

To end on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025 at 2pm

INSET Day: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025

### Summer Term 2025

To begin on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025

Half Term: 26<sup>th</sup> May – 30<sup>th</sup> May 2025

To end on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025 at 2pm

INSET Day: Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

INSET Day: Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2025

## 2025 – 2026 Term Dates

### Autumn Term 2025

To begin on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Half Term: 27<sup>th</sup> October - 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025

To end on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Occasional Day: Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2025

INSET Day: Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025

INSET Day: Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025

### Spring Term 2026

To begin on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Half Term: 16<sup>th</sup> February – 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026

To end on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026

INSET Day: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026

### Summer Term 2026

To begin on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Half Term: 25<sup>th</sup> May – 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026

To end on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2026

INSET Day: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026

INSET Day: Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2026