

THE NOTICEBOARD

Week commencing:

Monday 25th November 2024



Tannery Drift
First School

ROYSTON · HERTFORDSHIRE

www.tannerydrift.herts.sch.uk

Monday

9-10.30	Flu Vaccinations
12.00-12.30	Gymnastics for Years 3 & 4
12.30-1	Gymnastics for Years 1 & 2
3.15-4	Art Club for Years 3 & 4
3.15-4	Times Tables Rockstars Years 2-4
3.15-4.15	Multi Sports for Years 3 & 4

Tuesday

Stagecoach Drama Workshops Years 1 - 4	
12-1	Basketball Club Years 1-4
12.30-1	Yoga for Years 1 & 2

Wednesday

Stagecoach Drama Workshops Years 1 - 4	
8.30-11	Rocksteady Music Sessions
12-1	Tennis Club for Years 2 & 3
3.15-4	Lego Club for Years 1 & 2
3.15-4	Beginners Ballet for Years R & 1

Thursday

12-1	Tennis Club for Years 1 & 4
12-12.30	Boom Whacker for Years 3 & 4
3.15-4.15	Multi Sports Club for Years 1 & 2

Friday

9.15-9.45	Lion Class Assembly - Parents and Carers welcome
1-3.00	Royston Town Band Christmas Classroom Concerts
3.15-5	FTDS Christmas Fair

Children in Need

Thank you for supporting our Children in Need fundraising! We are happy to say we raised over **£110** in cash on the day. The donation link below remains open until January for anyone still wishing to contribute.

[Tannery Drift Children in Need Donations](#)



Flu Vaccinations

The Schools Immunisation Team will be in school on Monday morning to administer flu vaccinations to those whose parents and carers have consented. If you have not yet replied please use the following link by the end of today:

[Vaccination UK](#)

Stagecoach Drama Workshops

On Tuesday and Wednesday we will be welcoming Stagecoach Theatre Group into school who will be running drama workshops with Years 1-4. These are always very popular, enjoyable sessions for the children, which encourage confidence and teamwork, as well as an introduction to performing arts.

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas...

Please see the next page for all our exciting plans!



Enjoyment – Achievement – Respect

Christmas @ Tannery

Monday 25th November – Costumes Nursery & Reception

Children in Nursery and Reception should bring their named costumes to school by today in a named bag. Photographs will be taken of their children in their costumes throughout the day.

Friday 29th November

- * Dress Rehearsal for Reception
- * Royston Town Band playing carols in classrooms
- * FTDS Christmas Fair

Monday 2nd December – Post box opens

This is a chance for children to post Christmas cards to their friends if they wish. The post box will be in the office. Please ensure all envelopes are marked clearly with the child's first name and class name. Wednesday 18th December will be the last day for posting.

Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 4th December

- * Reception Christmas Performances, 9.30am
(Ticket information will be sent out soon)

Thursday 5th December

- * Nursery Christmas Songs, 9.30am (tickets not required)
- * Fire Station Walk – We have been invited to have a special viewing of Royston Fire Station Christmas Display

Tuesday 10th December

- * Dress Rehearsal and photos for Year 1

Wednesday 11th December

- * Dress Rehearsal and photos for Year 2

Thursday 12th December

- * Christmas Carol Service for Years 2 – 4, 1.30pm
- We are so pleased to be able to celebrate our Christmas Carol Service in St John the Baptist Church. We warmly invite parents to join us.

Friday 13th December – Class Parties Years R-4

Children are invited to come to school in festive party clothes if they would like to. They can bring snacks to share (no nuts or meat) and non-electronic games to play.



Tuesday 17th December

- * Year 1 Christmas Performance, 9.30am
- * Year 2 Christmas Performance, 2.30pm

Wednesday 18th December

- * Year 2 Christmas Performance, 9.30am
- * Year 1 Christmas Performance, 2.30pm
(Ticket information will be sent out soon)

Thursday 19th December – Christmas Dinner Day

Children are welcome to come to school in a Christmas jumper or t-shirt to help them get into the festive spirit! Please book dinners by Friday 22nd November on School Grid.

Friday 20th December

- * Nursery Christmas Party – Ladybirds are invited to come into school in party clothes, with small snacks to share.
- * Pantomimes, all years.
- * Last day of term
Years R – 4, 2pm
Nursery, 11.30am

Parent Support

The North Herts Primary Support Service have produced an amazing guide for parents, including information on support available for SEN, as well as signposting services on offer to help with education or home wellbeing. Please see the link below for this really useful resource:

[Parent Guide.](#)



Contacting the School

Notifying absence: Please send a message in Arbor if your child is unwell, or alternatively leave a voicemail by phoning 01763 246549 and selecting option 1. These are regularly monitored however you will not receive a reply unless there is an issue.



Queries: For all general admin queries including wraparound care bookings, payments and messages for teachers, please email the school office on admin@tannerydrift.herts.sch.uk



For anything urgent please phone on the above number and select option 3 to speak to the office.

Art Gallery & Open Classrooms

On Tuesday evening we were delighted to welcome Parents and Carers into school to look at some of the work the children have been completing this term, in particular the wonderful pictures they had created during Arts Week, which were displayed in a gallery in the hall.

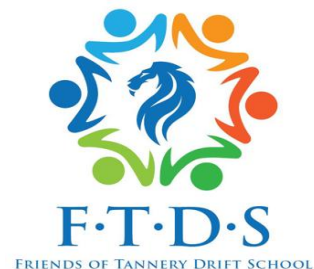
We are sure you will agree it looked fantastic!



Friends of Tannery Drift School

friendsoftannerydriftschool@gmail.com

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Christmas Fair - Friday 29th November, 3.15-5pm – Hall and Dining Room

Come and join us after school next Friday for some festive fun! We are planning various games, a lucky dip, a sale of Christmas toys/books/crafts, preloved Christmas jumpers, and refreshments including cake, mince pies, hot chocolate (option to add Baileys!), and mulled wine. Games will run until 4.30pm, with refreshments until 5pm. Cash and card payments (min spend £1) will be accepted on all stalls apart from games/lucky dip, but 50p tokens will be available to purchase from the stock sale table, and valid only for this event.

We are asking for **cake/biscuit donations** (ideally festive!) to be brought into the school office from Wednesday 27th, with homemade items in the morning of Friday 29th.

****Please ensure that the donations are nut free, which includes marzipan and almond****

Please also continue to dig out and **donate preloved Christmas jumpers** for us to sell. Please place them (clean!) in the second hand uniform donations box outside Year 1, near the car-park.

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help. We couldn't run the event without you.

Christmas Raffle Tickets - Purchases and Returns by Thursday 28th November

Thanks to all of those who have bought raffle tickets so far! There is still plenty of time to buy your tickets. To buy a raffle ticket, fill out your contact details directly onto the ticket and return the completed part along with the correct money in an envelope to the office **by Thursday 28th November**.

If you do not wish to purchase your raffle tickets, **please return unused tickets to the red FTDS mailbox outside of the school dining room**. If you would like to purchase more tickets, please contact us friendsoftannerydriftschool@gmail.com. Resale tickets are subject to availability.

The Raffle will be drawn at 4pm at the Christmas Fair, but don't worry if you cannot attend, all winners will be contacted afterwards. **Good luck!**

Christmas Cards - Thank you!

Thanks to everyone who placed orders for Christmas Cards with our Christmas Shop. FTDS have raised a huge £770 from your purchases! Our orders are now being printed and should be delivered to school at the end of November / early December. If you didn't manage to order, you can still place a late order and have items delivered to your home address.

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[Asda Cashpot for Schools - LAST WEEK!](#)

This week is the last week that we can benefit from Asda's Cash-Pot for Schools programme, which runs **until 30th November**. By using the Asda Rewards App, they will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to your chosen primary school. Plus, they will give us £1 every time someone opts in to support Tannery Drift on the App, even if you don't shop at Asda! **So please, just download the Asda Rewards App, sign up to Cashpot for Schools, and choose Tannery Drift First School.** Thank you!



[Easyfundraising – Black Friday!](#)

If you are doing your Christmas Shopping or enjoying the Black Friday Sales, please remember to shop through the Easyfundraising website! It is the easiest way to raise money for FTDS. If you haven't signed up yet, then please click the link or scan the QR code, and tell all your friends and family to sign up too! <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fotannerydrift>.













[Eco Party Pack/Table Hire](#)

Did you know that we have re-usable party packs available for hire, helping to reduce single use party waste? Each pack costs £5, and contains 30 plastic cups, plates, and bowls, 4 serving platters, and 2 jugs. We also now have folding tables available to hire at £5 each! Packs/tables can be hired midweek, or over a weekend, for any party or event you might be holding. Please see the booking form [here](#) for more information, and to make a booking, or email us at ftdsecopack@gmail.com.



Attendance

The school's attendance target for this year is 97.5%.

Class	Attendance
Ladybirds 	97.2%
Red Robins 	96%
Little Tigers 	94%
Pelicans 	96.2%
Owls 	98.4%
Red Foxes 	97.3%
Puffins 	98.9% 
Badgers 	97.1%
Penguins 	96.2%
Lions 	98.4%
Kingfishers 	97%

Well done to Puffins, Lions and Owls for super attendance!



Autumn Term Dates for your Diary:

November

Mon 25th Flu Vaccinations Reception – Year 4
 Tue 26th – Stagecoach Drama Workshops Years 1-4
 Wed 27th
 Fri 29th Lion Class Assembly 9.15 – 9.45
 - Parents & carers welcome
 Royston Town Band performing in classes
 FTDS Christmas Fair & Raffle Draw

December

Tue 3rd Reception Christmas Performance 9.30-10
 Wed 4th Reception Christmas Performance 9.30-10
 Thu 5th Nursery Christmas Performance 9.30-10
 Fri 6th Occasional Day – School closed
 Sun 8th Royston Town Band Concert
 Thu 12th Carol Service Years 2 - 4
 Fri 13th Flu Vaccinations Reception – Year 4
 Class Christmas Party Day
 Tue 17th Year 1 Christmas Performance 9.30-10
 Year 2 Christmas Performance 2.30-3
 Wed 18th Year 2 Christmas Performance 9.30.10
 Year 1 Christmas Performance 2.30-3
 Thu 19th Christmas Lunch Day
 Fri 20th Nursery Christmas Party
 Christmas Pantomimes
 Last Day of Term – 2pm finish
 -11.30 finish nursery

January

Mon 6th INSET DAY
 Tue 7th First day back

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

To begin on Wednesday 4th September 2024

Half Term: 28th October - 1st November 2024

To end on Friday 20th December 2024 at 2pm

Occasional Day: Friday 6th December 2024

INSET Days: Monday 2nd & Tuesday 3rd September

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 Day: 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 Day: Monday 2nd June

INSET Day: Wednesday 23rd July 2025

2025 – 2026 Term Dates

Autumn Term 2025

To begin on Thursday 4th September 2025

Half Term: 27th October - 31st October 2025

To end on Friday 19th December 2025

Occasional Day: Friday 5th December 2025

INSET Day: Wednesday 3rd September 2025

INSET Day: Friday 24th October 2025

Spring Term 2026

To begin on Tuesday 6th January 2026

Half Term: 16th February – 20th February 2026

To end on Friday 27th March 2026

INSET Day: Monday 5th January 2026

Summer Term 2026

To begin on Monday 13th April 2026

Half Term: 25th May – 29th May 2026

To end on Wednesday 22nd July 2026

INSET Day: Monday 1st June 2026

INSET Day: Thursday 23rd July 2026



CHRISTMAS POST



Please help the 10th Royston Beavers, Cubs and Scouts
raise money for activities and overnight camps.

Buy our special stamps and use our post boxes in:
Icknield Stores, Ladds and Morrisons Daily.

Cards must be for addresses within Royston only.

Last post collection: 12pm on Monday 16th December.



Scouts 
10th Royston





Royston, Buntingford
& South Cambridgeshire

CHRISTMAS DOOR DECORATION WORKSHOPS

WEDNESDAY, 4TH DECEMBER
Morning or Afternoon Sessions Available
(10:30 am to 1 pm) or (1:30 pm to 4 pm)

**Royston Bowling Club, 47
Green Drift, Royston, SG8 5BX**



*Tickets cost £30 pp and
include all you need to
make your decoration**

**£4 extra to include RED or
WHITE flowers*

Join us for festive fun and relaxation at one of
our Christmas Door Decoration workshops!

Take a break and make a beautiful,
personalised door decoration to bring the
holiday spirit home.



Scan the QR Code below to book your
ticket(s) online or call 01763 262262

MORNING SESSION



AFTERNOON SESSION



HSRBC: embedding diversity, equality and inclusion into everything we do in our community.

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Hertfordshire Fire and Rescue Service

FREE Christmas Extravaganza

at Royston Fire Station

2nd December 2024

5pm - 8pm

Quiet Hour 4pm - 5pm

Raising money for



Meet Santa and his helpers!

Hot food and drinks

[No parking available at the station or surrounding streets]

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Working to protect. Acting to save.

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