

THE NOTICEBOARD

Week commencing:

Monday 10th February 2025



Tannery Drift
First School

ROYSTON · HERTFORDSHIRE

www.tannerydrift.herts.sch.uk

Monday

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| 12-1.00 | Dodgeball for Years 1-4 |
| 3.15-4 | Ballet Club for Reception & Year 1 |
| 3.15-4 | Colouring Club for Years 1 & 2 |
| 3.15-4.15 | Multi-sports for Years 3 & 4 |

Tuesday

Safer Internet Day

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| 12-1.00 | Netball for Years 1-4 |
| 12-12.30 | Lego Club for Years 3 & 4 |
| 3.40-6 | Parent Consultations |

Wednesday

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| 8.30-11 | Rocksteady Music Sessions |
| 12-1.00 | Tennis for Years 2 & 3 |
| 12-12.30 | Yoga for Years 3 & 4 |
| 12.30-1 | Drawing for Years 1 & 2 |

Thursday

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| 12-1.00 | Tennis for Years 1 & 4 |
| 3.15-4.00 | Recorder Club for Years 3 & 4 |
| 5-8.00 | Parent Consultations |

Friday

Non-uniform day for Home Start

Drumming workshops for Years 1-3

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| 9.15-9.30 | Lions Class Assembly |
| | - Parents and Carers Welcome |

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| 12-12.30 | Times Tables Rockstars for Years 2-4 |
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Half term Break



Royston, Buntingford &
South Cambridgeshire

Friday 14th February: Non-Uniform Day for Home Start

We are holding a 'dress-down' day for all pupils on Friday 14th February, when everyone is welcome to wear non-uniform. If you are able to, please make a donation in support of Home-Start Royston, Buntingford & South Cambridgeshire. Please help to fill the 'page of hearts' with messages in the link below when you donate!

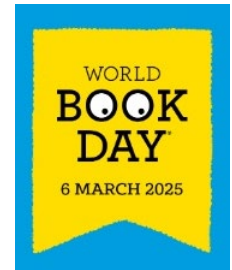
[DONATE HERE](#)

Your contributions will go a long way in helping local families facing various challenges, ensuring that parents receive the support they need to provide the best start in life for their children. 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.

World Book Day 2025 - Thursday 6th March

We would like to invite all children from Nursery through to Year 4 to come dressed up as their favourite book character and we will spend the day completing a wide range of exciting and enjoyable activities centred around our favourite books.



When thinking about a costume, this can be as simple as a hat, a cape or a prop. Have a look at some of the homemade costume ideas (found from google images) below for some inspiration:



Things to note:

- Children can come to school in their costumes but **please ensure they are still able to independently use the toilet**. As such we would discourage onesies, especially in Nursery and Reception classes.
- Please ensure your child comes to school with a jumper and coat as they will still be outside at break times and as their day requires.
- Bring a named book they enjoy reading (or having read to them).

Please ensure all belongings are labelled clearly.

We alternate dressing-up as a book character with pyjamas each year, so it will be pyjamas for 2026!

Competition Time!

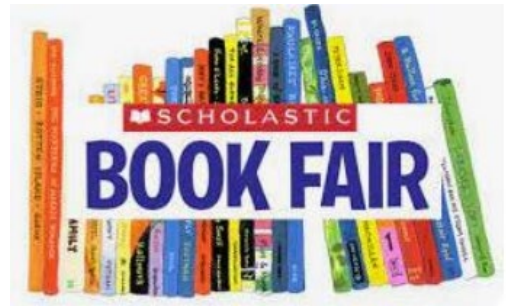
We are also running a competition, to be judged on World Book Day. This will be to create a 'Book in a Box' or 'Book in a Jar', and we will present a £5 book voucher to the winners in each year group that can be redeemed at our Scholastic Book Fair on 6th and 7th March.

You can include carefully chosen items to represent your book, such as quotes, or clues about its characters or setting. There is no obligation to enter, but if your child would like to do so, please make sure their entry is in school, with their name clearly marked underneath, **by Wednesday 5th March**.



The Scholastic Book Fair - 6th and 7th March

The Scholastic Book Fair will be visiting Tannery Drift on 6th and 7th March, from 8.15-8.45am and 3.15-4.00pm, in the Dining Room. There will be a wide selection of books and other items for sale, starting at pocket-money prices. Every book sold at the fair helps us to earn free books for Tannery Drift. Cash and card payments are accepted.



Your child will be bringing home a £1 World Book Day token. This can be used to receive £1 off a book at the Scholastic Book Fair in school. We will not have stock of the £1 books, but these will be available in local bookshops.



Family Toolkit Parenting Course

Hertfordshire Family Centre are running a parenting course for parents/carers of children aged 3-9 years old. This will take place in the Tannery Drift new building from 10am-12pm, starting Wednesday 26th February, for four weeks.

Parents/carers will learn strategies to positively respond to their child's needs, behaviour and get the best out of family life.













Families will need to register with the Hertfordshire Family Centre to attend this course:

[Registration Form](#)

For further information, or if you would like to attend, please contact Ms Kerr, our Family Support Worker, at familysupport@tannerydrift.herts.sch.uk or call 01763 246549.

Attendance:

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

		Up to last week	
		Academic Year to Date	Term to Date
Ladybirds 		96.3%	97.5%
Little Tigers 		94.0%	93.3%
Red Robins 		95.3%	96.6%
Owls 		96.8%	97.2%
Pelicans 		95.4%	96.9%
Puffins 		98.4%	98.4%
Red Foxes 		97.2%	97.3%
Badgers 		95.9%	93.7%
Penguins 		96.7%	99.0%
Kingfishers 		96.7%	96.2%
Lions 		97.3%	95.2%

Well done Penguins on fantastic attendance so far this term!



Spring Term Dates for your Diary:

February

- Tue 11th Parent Consultations
- Thu 13th Parent Consultations
- Fri 14th Non-uniform Day for Home Start
Drumming Workshops for Years 1-3
Lion Class Assembly 9.15-9.30
- Parents & carers welcome
- Mon 17th Half-term break
- Fri 28th Penguin Class Assembly 9.15-9.30
- Parents & carers welcome

March

- Tue 4th **Girls' Football with Laura Mills Years R-4**
- Thu 6th World Book Day
Scholastic Book Fair
- Fri 7th Scholastic Book Fair
KJAR Dance Festival for Penguin Class
Red Fox Class Assembly 9.15-9.30
- Parents & carers welcome
- Mon 10th **FTDS Cake Sale**
- Fri 14th Owl Class Assembly 9.15-9.30
- Parents & carers welcome
- Fri 21st Red Nose Day for Comic Relief*
- Tue 25th Open Classrooms*
- Wed 26th Rocksteady Easter Concert*
- Thu 27th PGL Meeting for Year 4 Parents & Carers 3.15-4.15*
- Fri 28th **FTDS School Discos**

April

- Tue 1st Archery taster sessions for Y1-4
- Wed 2nd Reception Easter Hat Parade*
- Thu 3rd Nursery Easter Hat Parade*
- Fri 4th End of Term 2pm (11.30am Nursery)

* Details to follow
Newly added event

Friends of Tannery Drift School

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Second-hand Uniform Sale - Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who attended or helped-out at our Second-hand Uniform Sale on Friday. We are thrilled to say **we raised over £280!**

FTDS Colouring Competition

A reminder that our school colouring competition has now officially kicked-off! Pictures can be collected from the school office or printed at home using the files circulated in the school email. Once your child has completed their entry, please return it to the school office with the £1 entry fee (correct change please).

The competition closes on **Wednesday 26th February**, shortly after half term, so there's still plenty of time to get involved - Good luck!

HomeStart Aquathon – Sunday 27th 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 Yr4 children on the team, plus some ex-Tannery pupils, 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.

This event is a lot of fun and a great experience. There is no pressure to swim fast or complete a specific number of lengths, it's the taking part that counts!

Dates for your Diary

Cake Sale - Monday 10th March - School Dining Hall

We are planning a Cake and Spring Clean Sale, selling cakes and pre-loved toys and games from our existing FTDS Stock. We will be asking years 3 and 4 to bring in cake donations for this sale. More details to follow!

School Disco - Friday 28th March - School Hall (Early Years 4.30-5.30 / Years 1-4 6.00-7.30)

We are delighted to host our Spring Term School Disco once again but rely on parent volunteers to make it happen. We will need helpers for both discos, so please consider signing up to help if you would like to attend. Please email us at friendsoftannerydriftschool@gmail.com and we will add you to the helpers list if you are not already on it.

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Friends of Tannery Drift School

Colouring Competition

Open to the whole school

Win a hamper
of arts and crafts materials

£1 to enter

Closing date Wednesday 26th February
Completed entries submitted to the office

Charity number: 291369

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FRIENDS OF TANNERY DRIFT SCHOOL

Enjoyment – Achievement – Respect

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

Spring Term 2025

Half Term: 17th February – 21st February 2025

To end on Friday 4th April 2025 at 2pm

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