

THE NOTICEBOARD

Week commencing:
Monday 24th March 2025



Tannery Drift
First School

ROYSTON · HERTFORDSHIRE

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Monday

Times Tables Rockstars: Teachers vs Students

- 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

- 12-1.00 Netball for Years 1-4
- 12-12.30 Lego Club for Years 3 & 4
- 3.15-4.25 Football Feet Years 1-4
- 3.15-4 Open Classrooms

Wednesday

- 10-11.00 Rocksteady Music Concert
- Parents and Carers of performers welcome
- 12-1.00 Tennis for Years 2 & 3
- 12-12.30 Yoga for Years 3 & 4
- 12.30-1 Drawing for Years 1 & 2
- 3.30-4 Year 1 Phonics Screening Meeting

Thursday

- 12-1.00 Tennis for Years 1 & 4
- 3.15-4.00 Recorder Club for Years 3 & 4
- 3.15-4.15 PGL Meeting for Year 4 Parents & Carers

Friday

- 12-12.30 Times Tables Rockstars for Years 2-4
- 12-1.00 Cricket Club for Years 1-4
- 4.30-5.30 FTDS Early Years disco
- 6-7.30 FTDS Years 1-4 disco

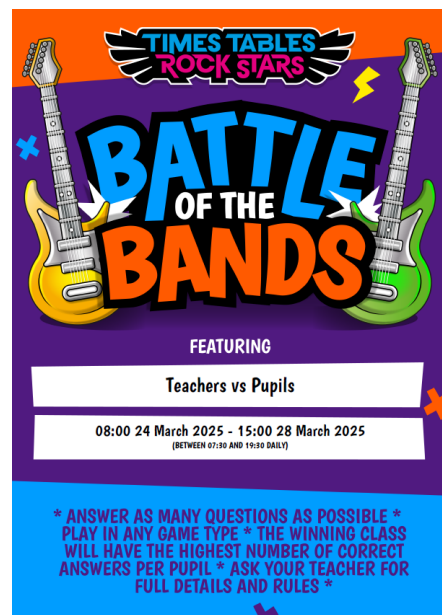
Open Classrooms – 25th March

On Tuesday 25th March the school will be holding an Open Classrooms evening for parents and carers of all years, including nursery. It will take place between 3.15pm and 4pm, and offers an informal opportunity to pop into school to see your child's work and learning environment.



Times Tables Rockstars: Teachers vs Pupils

From Monday 24th - Friday 28th March, children in Years 2-4 can take part in a Times Tables Rockstars competition against the teachers! The children have a maximum of 30 minutes per day to contribute points to the competition.



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Colour Run Inspired by Holi

On Thursday, the children in Reception took part in a Colour Run in the sunshine, inspired by their learning about the Hindu festival of Holi. As you can see, the children and staff had a wonderful time!



Drumba

On Friday, children in Years 1-4 had the opportunity to have a go at Zumba – a high energy exercise combining drumming, music and movement.

The workshops were great fun, and the children brought a lot of energy to the sessions!

Thank you to Miss Watts for organising the day.



Mini London Marathon 2025

After the Easter break, between Tuesday 22nd April and Friday 2nd May, many of the children (and staff) will be completing a total of 2 miles running, jogging or walking around our school field.















This is part of a national event with schools and nurseries across the UK getting involved, and more than 300,000 children due to take part!

The 2 miles can be completed over multiple days and is a way for the children to benefit from both the physical exercise and connecting with nature in the fresh air (more details to follow...)



Attendance:

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

		Up to last week	
		Academic Year to Date	Term to Date
Ladybirds		96.0%	96.1%
Little Tigers		94.7%	95.2%
Red Robins		95.9%	97.2%
Owls		97.1%	97.7% 
Pelicans		95.5%	96.5%
Puffins		98.1%	97.7% 
Red Foxes		97.3%	97.5%
Badgers		97.5%	97.4%
Penguins		96.9%	98.3% 
Kingfishers		96.6%	96.1%
Lions		97.4%	96.7%

Well done Penguins, Owls & Puffins on fantastic attendance so far this term!



Term Dates for your Diary:

March

- 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 9.15-9.45
 - Parents and Carers welcomeParenting Course Coffee Morning 10-12.00
- Thu 3rd Nursery Easter Hat Parade 9.15-9.45
 - Parents and Carers welcome
- Fri 4th End of Term 2pm (11.30am Nursery)

Summer Term

April

- Tue 22nd First day of summer term
- Wed 23rd –
- Thu 24th Hearing and Vision screening for Reception
- Sat 27th Home Start Aquathon
- Mon 28th Royston Cave Talk for Year 3
FTDS Meeting at 7.30pm
- Wed 30th Celtic Harmony Trip for Year 3

May

- Tue 6th Science Week
- Wed 14th –
- Fri 16th Residential PGL Trip for Year 4

Friends of Tannery Drift School

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School Disco - Friday 28th March, School Hall

Early Years (Nursery and Reception) - 4.30-5.30pm

Years 1-4 - 6.00-7.30pm

Tickets are selling fast for the Spring School Disco on Friday 28th March. There is still time to purchase your child's ticket at the links below. Online sales for both discos will close on Thursday evening at 6pm (27th March). There will be no ticket sales after this date or on the door.

Tickets for Early Years (Nursery and Reception) at 4.30-5.30pm cost £3.00 and are now available to buy online here: <http://bit.ly/FTDSdisco1>

*EY children must be accompanied by an adult and the online ticket form must be completed for each individual child.

Tickets for Years 1-4 at 6.00-7.30pm cost £3.50 and are now available to buy online here:

<http://bit.ly/FTDSdisco2>

*Y1-4 children should be dropped off and collected for this disco (unless signed up to help, or if parents do not feel comfortable leaving) so a contact phone number is essential when purchasing tickets – please complete the online ticket form for each individual child.



At both events, there will be a tuck shop offering a selection of pre-bagged sweets and chocolate (£1), drinks & crisps (50p), tattoos (50p) and games stalls (50p) so please ensure your child has sufficient, but not too much money. The confectionery stall will be separate from drinks and crisps, and children will only be allowed 1 confectionery bag each. There will also be a quiet area available. **Optional fancy dress, but no masks please. Please bring a named water bottle!**

Please bring Year 1-2 children to the doors under the covered walkway behind the dining room. Year 3-4 children will enter through the office door. If you have siblings in both groups, please go to the Year 1-2 door. Thank you very much.

Thank you again for all the donations to our Cake and Spring Clean Sale! We raised a massive £278.48!

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HomeStart Aquathon – Sunday 27th April, 6-7pm Royston Leisure Centre

We still need several children or adults to complete our FTDS Teams!

The Aquathon 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 (Yr5 and Yr6) alongside parents/carers. This year we plan 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, and there is no pressure to swim fast or complete a specific number of lengths.

You can also sponsor our teams here: <https://visufund.com/aquathon-2025-ftds>

Go Team Tannery!

Second Hand Uniform

We have great stock levels on our uniform shed at the moment including plenty of lovely summer dresses and grey shorts for after Easter. If you need any uniform, please email ftdsuniform@gmail.com. We can pick your order and leave it at the school office for collection.



Next FTDS General Meeting - Monday 28th April at 7.30pm, School Enrichment Room

For Friends of Tannery Drift School to continue their good work, it is essential that new joiners come along to our next General Meeting on **Monday 28th April** at 7.30pm in the School Enrichment Room to discuss Summer Event plans and the future of FTDS.

If you cannot attend in person, please contact us at friendsoftannerydriftschool@gmail.com to request a virtual link.

We look forward to seeing you in April!

A vibrant poster for a school disco event. At the top center is a silver disco ball with the FTDS logo. The background is a dark purple space with glowing neon stars and musical notes. The text is arranged in a clear, hierarchical layout, providing event details, ticket prices, and QR codes for both age groups.

Tannery Drift
SCHOOL DISCO
FRIDAY 28 MARCH

EARLY YEARS • 4.30-5.30PM
(PARENT TO STAY WITH CHILD)

TICKETS
£3

*Scan code or book online at:
bit.ly/FTDSdisco1



YEARS 1 TO 4 • 6.00-7.30PM
(DROP OFF UNLESS AGREED)

TICKETS
£3.50

*Scan code or book online at:
bit.ly/FTDSdisco2



We will be selling sweets/chocolates (£1 a bag), drinks and crisps (50p each). There will also be temporary tattoos (50p each) and games stalls (50p a go).

TICKET SALES CLOSE AT 6PM ON THURSDAY 27 MARCH
– STRICTLY NO ADMITTANCE ON THE DOOR

*PLEASE ENSURE THAT MEDICAL CONDITIONS, DIETARY REQUIREMENTS AND ALLERGIES ARE HIGHLIGHTED WHEN PURCHASING TICKETS, AS FTDS DO NOT HAVE ACCESS TO SCHOOL RECORDS.

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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

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

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Robert Ashton generously undertook some cleaning work for us on the plastic roofing of our Early Years covered walkway.

As you can see from the before and after pictures below, he did a great job, and we would recommend getting in touch with him for any window cleaning services you require.



Before



After

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Royston & Villages Community Forum

Share your ideas and views
with local Councillors

- Barkway Road Development presentation
- Developer Contributions
- Grant presentations
- Open Q&A



Wednesday 26 March

7.30pm

Hardwicke Room,
Royston Town Hall,
Melbourn Street,
Royston, SG8 7DA

For up-to-date information, please visit
www.north-herts.gov.uk/community-forums
community@north-herts.gov.uk



2-4 pm

Saturday 22nd March
Cambridge Regional
College

Baby & children's
clothes, toys, books &
equipment and more!



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YOU CHOOSE - Drop-in at any time, pop along
to hear the speakers, chat with local support
services, stay for all or part of the day

INFORMATION EVENT

FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

Join us to find out information from local providers to help support children with SEND and/or who are struggling with their emotional and mental health. .

Speakers from 10am to 2:15pm

Topics include

Social Media and Sleep

OCD

How to get support Autism & ADHD

EBSA - Emotionally Based School Avoidance

**Undiagnosed Mental Health - signposting and
tool for all ages**

PROFESSIONALS WELCOME TO ATTEND

The Icknield Centre, Letchworth

Thursday, 27 March 2025

9:30am to 3pm

Refreshments provided



nhdspl.org.uk

Book your place via the website

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