

THE NOTICEBOARD

Week commencing:

Monday 22nd September 2025



Tannery Drift
First School

ROYSTON · HERTFORDSHIRE

www.tannerydrift.herts.sch.uk

Monday

12-12.30	Art Club for Years 3 & 4
3.15-4.00	Ballet for Years R & 1
3.15-4.15	Multisport for Years 3 & 4

Tuesday

12-12.30	Drawing Club for Years 3 & 4
12-12.30	Yoga for Years 3 & 4
12-12.30	Tag Rugby for Years 3 & 4
12.30-1.00	Tag Rugby for Years 1 & 2
2.30-2.45	Year 4 Songwriting Performance
3.15-4.00	Ukelele for Years 3 & 4
3.15-4.25	Football Feet for Years 1-4
6-7.00	Year Group Meetings for all Years

Wednesday

8.30-11.00	Rocksteady Music Sessions
12-1.00	Mindfulness for Years 1-4
12-12.30	Tennis for Year 3
12.30-1.00	Tennis for Year 2
3.15-4.00	Athletics for Years 1 & 2

Thursday

12-12.30	Tennis for Year 4
12-12.30	Maths Games for Years 3 & 4
12.30-1.00	Tennis for Year 1
12.30-1.00	Football for Year 2
7.30-8.30	FTDS General Committee Meeting

Friday

9.00-9.20	Kingfishers Class Assembly - Parents and carers welcome
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Website

A friendly reminder that the Tannery Drift website is a great resource for most general questions you have about the school. Please see the below links:

- Breakfast Club & Afterschool Club times, prices and registration forms:
[Wraparound Care](#)
- For digital copies of regularly used forms, plus information on how to use Arbor for payments and School Grid for lunches:
[Parent Admin](#)
- For a timetable of lunchtime and after school activities available:
[Clubs](#)

School Milk

School milk is now being provided by [DairyLink UK](#), who use an [online ordering system](#). Please login and pay by **22nd September at 1pm** if you would like your child to receive milk in school.

If your child is under 5, the milk will be free, but you do still need to register.

If your child receives Pupil Premium funding, please contact the School Office by the end of day today if you would like them to receive milk, you do not need to register.



Year 4 Songwriting with Megson

Year 4 have been participating in song-writing workshops with English Folk Music duo Megson. They have been writing alternative lyrics to well-known tunes, as well as learning another song. The songs are written in the style of an advert for their class, describing the reasons why their class is so brilliant!



On **Tuesday 23rd September at 2.30pm**, Year 4 would like to invite any parents and carers who are available, to come to the School Hall and watch them perform their songs.

Year Group Meetings

As per yesterday's letter, on Tuesday 23rd September we would like to invite parents and carers to join us for Year Group meetings.

Each Year group will hold 2 meetings; one at 6-6.30pm and one at 6.30-7pm, and you are welcome to attend either time (please turn up, there is no need to book). Meetings will be held in the relevant Year Group areas and entrance will be via external classroom doors. Unfortunately, on this occasion children cannot be accommodated during the meetings.

We are looking forward to seeing lots of you at the meetings. We encourage in person attendance if possible as we know how crucial home-school partnerships are to educational success.

Presentations will be shared on the [Class Pages](#) of the website the following week.

New Arrival....

We are delighted to announce the arrival of Mrs Seymour's baby. Baby George Arthur was born during the summer, and we are happy to report that both Mum and baby are doing well.



I'm sure you will join us in sending our congratulations to Mrs Seymour and her family on this lovely news.

Governing Body Vacancies

The school's Governing Body will be seeking two parents to appoint as Parent Governors.

If you are interested in finding out more, please read the attachment, emailed with this newsletter, to find out more.

Further information about our school's Governing Body can also be found on the [school website](#).



Details to follow*

Newly added

Dates for your Diary:

September

Tue 23 rd	New Year Group Parent Meetings 6-7pm
Thu 25 th	FTDS General Committee Meeting 7.30pm
Fri 26 th	Kingfishers Class Assembly 9-9.20am - Parents and carers welcome
Tue 30 th	Individual & sibling photographs

October

Fri 3 rd	Flu vaccinations for Years R-4 Badgers Class Assembly 9-9.20am - Parents and carers welcome
Fri 10 th	Penguins Class Assembly 9-9.20am - Parents and carers welcome
Fri 17 th	Red Foxes Class Assembly 9-9.20am - Parents and carers welcome FTDS Halloween Bake & Costume Sale
Tue 21 st	Parent Consultations 3.50-6.20pm
Thu 23 rd	Parent Consultations 5.30-8pm
Fri 24 th	INSET DAY (school closed for children)
Mon 27 th	HALF TERM WEEK

November













Tue 4 th	Open Morning for prospective families 9.30-11am*
Fri 7 th	Pelicans Class Assembly 9-9.20am - Parents and carers welcome
Wed 12 th	Open Classrooms & Art Gallery 3.15-3.45*
Thu 13 th	Open Morning for prospective families 9.30-11am*
Fri 14 th	Children in Need Owls Class Assembly 9-9.20am - Parents and carers welcome
Wed 19 th	Flu vaccinations for Years R-4 (catch up session)
Fri 21 st	Puffins Class Assembly 9-9.20am - Parents and carers welcome
Fri 28 th	Lions Class Assembly 9-9.20am - Parents and carers welcome

December

Tue 2 nd	Reception Nativity*
Wed 3 rd	Nursery Christmas Songs*
Thu 4 th	Reception Nativity*
Fri 5 th	OCCASIONAL DAY (school closed)
Tue 9 th	Carol Service for Years 3 & 4*
Wed 10 th	Rocksteady Concert*
Tue 16 th	Year 1 & 2 Christmas Shows*
Wed 17 th	Year 1 & 2 Christmas Shows*
Thu 18 th	Christmas Dinner Day*
Fri 19 th	Last day of term 2pm finish Nursery 11.30am finish

Attendance

Please do avoid booking term-time holidays. These will always be unauthorised and may result in a fine.

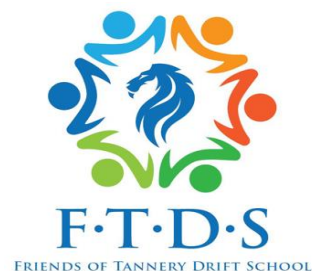
		To end of last week
Ladybirds		90.5%
Little Tigers		98.1%
Red Robins		98.4%
Owls		95.0%
Pelicans		98.2%
Puffins		99.3%
Red Foxes		99.3%
Badgers		97.7%
Penguins		100.0% 
Kingfishers		97.4%
Lions		99.0%

Our attendance target for the year is 97.5%. Well done to Penguins class for fantastic attendance so far this year!

Friends of Tannery Drift School

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General Committee Meeting – Thursday 25th September, 7.30pm

A reminder that our first meeting of the new academic year will take place on 25th September in the Enrichment room at school, so please do come along and join us. We will be welcoming our new committee to their roles and if you are interested in getting involved, suggesting activities, or willing to help out at future events in any capacity (all help adds up!), then please email us to be added to our helpers' email circulation list.

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Halloween Bake and Fancy-Dress Costume Sale - Friday 17th October

We are continuing to collect any second-hand fancy dress / Halloween costumes that you'd be willing to donate for our cake and costume sale on 17th October.

Please drop off any items that are in a good condition to the **FTDS Second-Hand Uniform Bin**, located near the car park and Year 1 classrooms. Thank you!

2025-26 FTDS 100 club sign-up

The FTDS 100 club is back for this school year given its success last year. This is a charitable lottery where half of the annual subscription goes to the Friends of Tannery Drift School and half goes to a monthly draw.

Participants are assigned a number for the year and two winning numbers are drawn each month, for ten months of the year, giving participants up to 20 chances of winning a cash prize across the year!



We hope you will join us in this fun and light-hearted way to raise money for the Friends of Tannery Drift who help to provide extra activities and experiences for the children to enjoy.

Please follow the link in the poster below to sign up. The closing date for entries is Friday 3rd October 2025.

Thank you for your support & good luck! FTDS

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F.T.D.S

100 Club

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FTDS Charitable Lottery

2025-26

Sign up NOW OPEN

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For **£10** only, you will be assigned a number for the year, **two** winning numbers are drawn monthly (Oct-Jul) giving you

20 chances of winning a cash prize!

(Half of the subscription fee goes to FTDS to fund activities for your children throughout the year and half goes towards the monthly draw)

The closing date is

Friday 3rd October 2025

[Sign up here using our Google form](#)

For more information, terms and conditions, email us at FTDS100club@gmail.com



Enjoyment – Achievement – Respect

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



2025 – 2026 Term Dates

Autumn Term 2025

INSET Day: Wednesday 3rd September 2025

To begin on Thursday 4th September 2025

INSET Day: Friday 24th October 2025

Half Term: 27th October - 31st October 2025

Occasional Day: Friday 5th December 2025

To end on Friday 19th December 2025

Spring Term 2026

INSET Day: Monday 5th January 2026

To begin on Tuesday 6th January 2026

Half Term: 16th February – 20th February 2026

To end on Friday 27th March 2026

Summer Term 2026

To begin on Monday 13th April 2026

Half Term: 25th May – 29th May 2026

INSET Day: Monday 1st June 2026

To end on Wednesday 22nd July 2026

INSET Day: Thursday 23rd July 2026

2026 – 2027 Term Dates

Autumn Term 2026

INSET Day: Tuesday 1st September 2026

To begin on Wednesday 2nd September 2026

Half Term: 26th October – 30th October 2026

Occasional Day: Friday 4th December 2026

To end on Friday 18th December 2026

Spring Term 2027

INSET Day: Monday 4th January 2027

INSET Day: Tuesday 5th January 2027

To begin on Wednesday 6th January 2027

Half Term: 15th February – 19th February 2027

To end on Thursday 25th March 2027

Summer Term 2027

To begin on Monday 12th April 2027

Half Term: 31st May – 4th June 2027

INSET Day: Monday 7th June 2027

To end on Wednesday 21st July 2027

INSET Day: Thursday 22nd July 2027

Royston & Villages Community Forum

Share your ideas and views
with local Councillors

- Burloes Development presentation and Q&A
- Local Government Reorganisation presentation
- Grant presentations
- Open Q&A



Wednesday 24 September 7.30pm

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

For up-to-date information,
scan the QR code or visit

www.north-herts.gov.uk/community-forums

community@north-herts.gov.uk



In aid of



Following on from the Royston In Blue 5K Fun Run that was held on Sunday 29th June 2025 the Royston In Blue Committee are delighted to announce that the total sum raised this year from the event is an amazing

*****£20,000.00*****

Thank you, once again to everyone who has supported this very worthy cause.

A date for your diaries next year:

We are excited to announce that Royston In Blue 2026 will be held on **Sunday June 28th** at The Heath

Watch this space for more details to come

Please help us make 2026 even better!