

THE NOTICEBOARD

Week commencing:

Monday 13th October 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

- 9-10.15 Tannery Tots in the New Building
- 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
- 3.15-4.00 Ukelele for Years 3 & 4
- 3.15-4.25 Football Feet for Years 1-4

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

Friday

- 9.00-9.20 Red Foxes Class Assembly
- Parents and carers welcome
- 12-12.30 Football for Years 3 & 4

School Photographs

You should by now have received a form containing a QR code to order your child's photo. Please visit the Vancols website to preview the image and place orders.



Please order your photos **by Monday 20th October** to get free delivery to the school. Photos will then be distributed and sent home in bookbags. Orders received by Vancols after this date will be subject to a delivery charge.

Parent Consultation Evenings

Parent/Guardian consultations are taking place on 21st and 23rd October in the School Hall. You have hopefully by now managed to book an appointment on Arbor, however, if you have not and no times are showing as available, please get in touch with the School Office who can book you a slot. These evenings also give an opportunity to look at exercise books for children in Years 1-4.

Cross Country Event for Year 4

On Thursday, our Year 4 classes took part in a Cross-Country Running event at King James Academy. The children really impressed us with their determination and stamina. In just ten minutes, they completed an impressive number of laps, collecting plenty of stickers along the way to represent their efforts. Great fun was had by all, and we couldn't be prouder of their enthusiasm and perseverance!



Year 1 Geography Walk to Royston

On Tuesday, Year 1 embarked on a walk into Royston as part of their Geography learning, to further their understanding of the world around them, starting close to home with where we live. They discussed whether different landmarks were natural or man-made and did drawings of what they saw.

The children walked sensibly and behaved really well. Great work Year 1!



Thank you, as always, to the parent volunteers for walking with the children and enabling these visits to go ahead.

Details to follow*

Newly added

Dates for your Diary:

October

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

November













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

December

- Tue 2nd Reception Nativity 9.30-10am
- Wed 3rd Nursery Christmas Songs 9.30-10am
- Thu 4th Reception Nativity 9.30-10am
- Fri 5th OCCASIONAL DAY (school closed)
- Tue 9th Carol Service for Years 3 & 4*
- Wed 10th Rocksteady Concert 9.15-10.30am
- Fri 12th Storytime with Santa*
- Tue 16th Year 1 & 2 Christmas Shows*
- Wed 17th Year 1 & 2 Christmas Shows*
- Thu 18th Christmas Dinner Day*
- Fri 19th Last day of term 2pm finish
Nursery 11.30am finish

Attendance

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

		To end of last week
Ladybirds		97.5%
Little Tigers		98.8%
Red Robins		98.0%
Owls		96.6%
Pelicans		98.5%
Puffins		98.4%
Red Foxes		98.3%
Badgers		97.3%
Penguins		99.1% 
Kingfishers		97.9%
Lions		98.2%

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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Registered Charity: 291369



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

1 week until our Halloween Sale next Friday and we are continuing to collect any second-hand fancy-dress costumes. 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.

For this sale, we are asking **Year 3 and 4 parents** to provide cake or biscuit donations please (these can be homemade or shop bought but must be nut free!) and hand into the office from Thursday 16th.

At the sale, we will be operating a one-way system. Please enter the hall via the undercover doors adjacent to Year 3 and exit via the dining room external doors.



EasyFundraising and support FTDS

EasyFundraising is a free and simple way to support Friends of Tannery Drift School. The app allows your chosen charity to receive a small percentage of any purchases you make at a huge selection of retailers (e.g. M&S, Boots, Argos, eBay) with no extra cost to yourself.

If you set up the app in October, and select FTDS, we will receive a £2 contribution...and that's before you do any online shopping!

[Watch this short video](#) to find out more. Thanks in advance for supporting FTDS.



HALLOWEEN
CAKE, COSTUME, AND UNIFORM
SALE

DONATIONS NEEDED

Fancy Dress Sale Friday 17th October

The Friends of Tannery Drift School (FTDS) are requesting donations of pre-loved children's fancy dress costumes to sell at our second-hand sale.

If you have any of the following items, we would love to help give them a new home:

- Halloween costumes
- Fancy dress costumes
- Superhero costumes

Please ensure that all donations are clean and in good condition.

Place items in the uniform donation bin near the carpark by Year 1.

THANK YOU!

CHARITY NUMBER 291369



F·T·D·S
FRIENDS OF TANNERY DRIFT SCHOOL

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



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MONDAY 27 OCTOBER
BUSHCRAFT ADVENTURE: SURVIVAL SKILLS & CAMPFIRE TREATS

A bushcraft adventure all about fire - how to make it, cook on it & respect its wild power. Discover ancient fire making techniques, learn how to spark & build your own campfire, cook up tasty seasonal treats, build a shelter & take on survival challenges just like wilderness explorers. A full day of hands-on bushcraft, outdoor skills & discovery - perfect for curious kids who love nature & adventure!

TUESDAY 28 OCTOBER
WAY OF THE VIKING: VIKING CRAFT, GAMES & CHALLENGES!

Live the Viking way for a day! Join your clan, take a Viking name, create your own Viking pottery, learn how to build an effective shield wall, & then switch from craftsman to warrior as you rise to the challenge with ancient Viking games Kubk & Jomswilker!

WEDNESDAY 29 OCTOBER
WIZARDS OF THE WILD: A HARRY POTTER ADVENTURE

Bringing the magic of Harry Potter to life! Join this adventure where imagination runs wild. Brew bubbling potions in Potions Class, whistle & enchant your very own wand & join the Quidditch tournament for the house cup. A spellbinding day of fun, creativity, & adventure

THURSDAY 30 OCTOBER
NERF: MISSION SPOOKTACULAR

Are you ready? Forage for resources, defend your vault, rescue teammates, & take on the ultimate Nerf survival adventure with epic games like Swamp Rescue, Zombie Apocalypse & Hunger Games! An action-packed outdoor day full of action, fun, strategy & teamwork - with a spooky twist! (Age 6+ recommended)

FRIDAY 31 OCTOBER
ULTIMATE HALLOWEEN ADVENTURE: TRICKS, TREATS & CAMPFIRE FUN!

Get ready for the spookiest, silliest & scariest day of the holidays! Make gooey slime, decorate Day of the Dead sugar skulls, brew Mayan hot chocolate over the campfire & join a zombie scavenger hunt. All topped off by a visit to the Witch, Goblin, & Bog Troll to solve riddles, crack the Halloween mystery... & earn sweet rewards. A mix of hands-on fun, laughter & imagination!

VIKINGS RULE
"LOTS OF GOOD OLD FASHIONED GET DIRTY PLAY!" ★★★★★

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Book for 1 day or multiple days. Find out more at www.theoutdoorsproject.co.uk

OCTOBER HOLIDAY COURSE



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TUES / WEDS / THURS

28TH - 29TH - 30TH

9AM - 3PM

£25 PER DAY
OR
£65 FOR ALL 3 DAYS

AGES 5 - 12

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