

THE NOTICEBOARD

Week commencing:

Monday 8th December 2025



Tannery Drift
First School

ROYSTON · HERTFORDSHIRE

www.tannerydrift.herts.sch.uk

Monday

3.15-4.15 Multisport for Years 2, 3 & 4

Tuesday

9-10.15 Tannery Tots in the New Building

12.00-1.00 Tag Rugby for Years 1 - 4

1.30-3.00 Carol Service for Year 3 & 4 in St
John the Baptist Church
- Parents and Carers welcome

3.20-3.40 Ukulele Club Concert

Wednesday

8.50-10.00 Parent Coffee Morning – Christmas
Crafting (£5 – spaces still available!)

9.15-10.15 Rocksteady Concert
- Parents and Carers welcome

12-12.30 Tennis for Year 3

12.30-1.00 Tennis for Year 2

1.30-3.00 Year 2 History Walk

Thursday

12-12.30 Tennis for Year 4

12.30-1.00 Tennis for Year 1

Friday

Class Christmas Parties

9.30-11.30 Storytime with Santa (all years)

Reception & Nursery Christmas Shows

This week it was wonderful to welcome families of Nursery and Reception children to Tannery Drift, to watch their Christmas performances.

The children sang and performed beautifully, and they should be so proud of themselves for getting up in front of an audience at such a young age.



Well done Ladybirds, Little Tigers and Red Robins – what a wonderful start to our Christmas performances!

School Activity Clubs

All teacher-led clubs have now finished for the term. Tennis finishes next week, and Multisport and Tag Rugby continue until the end of term.

Wraparound Care

Breakfast Club and Afterschool Club continue right up until Friday 19th December. Children will be walked over to Afterschool Club at 2pm on the last day of term.

Christmas @ Tannery

Christmas Post Box Open!

* A reminder that our Christmas Post Box is now open for posting! Please ensure all cards have the recipient's name and class on the envelope.

Monday 8th December

* Children in Year 1 should bring their named Christmas jumper, in a named bag, by today.

Tuesday 9th December

* Christmas Carol Service for Years 3 & 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.

Wednesday 10th December

* Rock Steady Christmas Concert at 9.15am in the school hall. Parents and carers of performers welcome.

Friday 12th December

* Class Parties – 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.

* Storytime with Santa

Tuesday 16th December

* Year 1 Christmas Performance, 9.30-10.00am
* Year 2 Christmas Performance, 2.30-3.00pm
(Tickets now allocated)

Wednesday 17th December

* Year 2 Christmas Performance, 9.30-10.00am
* Year 1 Christmas Performance, 2.30-3.00pm
(Tickets now allocated)

Thursday 18th 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!

Friday 19th December

* Last day of term
Years R – 4, 2pm
Nursery, 11.30am



Dates for your Diary:

Details to follow*

Newly added

2025

December

Tue 9 th	Carol Service for Years 3 & 4 in St John the Baptist Church, Royston
Wed 10 th	Parent Coffee Morning (£5) 8.50-10am Rocksteady Concert 9.15-11am Year 2 History Walk 1.30-3pm
Fri 12 th	Class Parties (all years) Storytime with Santa (all years)
Tue 16 th	Year 1 Show 9.30-10am Year 2 Show 2.30-3pm
Wed 17 th	Year 2 Show 9.30-10am Year 1 Show 2.30-3pm
Thu 18 th	Christmas Dinner Day
Fri 19 th	Last day of term 2pm finish Nursery 11.30am finish

2026

January

Mon 5 th	<i>INSET DAY (school closed to pupils)</i>
Thu 8 th	Drama Workshops for Nursery - Year 2*
Tue 20 th	The Beat Goes On – Music Workshop*
Tue 27 th	The Beat Goes On – Music Workshop*
Wed 28 th	Parent Coffee Morning 8.50-10am – Topic: Zones of Regulation at Home

February














Fri 6 th	NSPCC Numbers Day*
Mon 16 th	<i>HALF TERM WEEK</i>
Wed 25 th	Parent Coffee Morning 8.50-10am

March

Thu 5 th	World Book Day 2026* Scholastic Book Fair*
Fri 6 th	Scholastic Book Fair*
Mon 16 th –	
Tue 17 th	Reception Hearing & Vision Screening*
Fri 20 th	Red Nose Day*

Attendance

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

		To end of last week
Ladybirds		96.4%
Little Tigers		98.0%
Red Robins		97.6%
Owls		97.0%
Pelicans		98.3% 
Puffins		97.2%
Red Foxes		97.4%
Badgers		96.5%
Penguins		99.1% 
Kingfishers		97.5%
Lions		98.1%

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

Two more weeks to maximise attendance before we announce the classes with the highest attendance for the term!

Friends of Tannery Drift School

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Registered Charity: 291369



Christmas Fair

A huge THANK YOU to everyone who attended our Christmas Fair last Friday and participated in the Christmas Raffle. As soon as we have counted the money we will share how much we raised.

We hope you enjoyed the event and if you have any feedback, please let us know at our email address above, or why not come along to our next committee meeting on Thursday 15th January at 7.30pm! We're always looking for new helpers and suggestions are very welcome.

Raffle prize winners have all been notified and gifts collected.

How Your Contributions Help

Keep an eye out for some posters appearing around school next week to show where your donations and contributions have been spent to support the children's learning and

Easyfundraising

Please continue to consider using Easyfundraising to purchase your Christmas gifts. Every time you shop on the app at thousands of retailers, FTDS receives a donation at no extra cost to you.

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



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

CADS presents
Royston Panto 2026

Dick Whittington



11:30 am 25 Jan
2 pm 24 / 31 Jan
7:30 pm 24 / 30 / 31 Jan

Tickets £15 / £10
KJAR (senior site)

CADSroyston.org.uk 07856 599039



Programme Cover Design Competition – Prize: A family ticket for 4 people!

We'd like children to draw Dick travelling to London with his faithful cat to save the city from being over-run by King Rat and his ratty minions. The design should be A4 size and entries (hard copies only, please) should be submitted to the staff at **Bow Books in Angel Pavement** by **Saturday 20 December**. They'll need to put their name and contact details on the back of the design, together with the name and contact details of their parent or guardian.

Enjoyment – Achievement – Respect