

THE NOTICEBOARD

Week commencing:

Monday 2nd March 2026



Tannery Drift
First School

ROYSTON · HERTFORDSHIRE

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Monday

- 12-1.00 Spring Sports
- 12-12.30 Art Club for Years 3 & 4
- 3.15-4.15 Multisport for Years 2, 3 & 4

Tuesday

- 9-10.15 Tannery Tots in the New Building
- 12-1.00 Netball for Years 1-4
- 3.15-4.25 Football Feet

Wednesday

- 8.30-11.00 Rocksteady Music Sessions
- 12-1.00 Tennis for Years 2 & 3
- 12.30-1.00 Yoga for Years 1 & 2

Thursday

World Book Day 2026

Scholastic Book Fair

- 12-12.30 Maths Games for Years 3 & 4
- 12.15-12.45 Construction Club for Reception
- 12.30-1.00 Drawing Club for Years 1 & 2
- 12-1.00 Tennis for Years 1 & 4

Friday

Scholastic Book Fair

National Day of Unplugging

- 9-9.15 Puffins Class Assembly
- Parents and Carers Welcome
- 12-12.30 Hockey Club for Years 3 & 4
- 12-12.30 Nature Savers for Years 3 & 4

Global Day of Unplugging

- Friday 6th March

Next Friday we are supporting the Global Day of Unplugging, which is an initiative encouraging a day of less screen time.

Within the classrooms this will mean less time looking at digital boards, and we will be talking to children about healthy screen habits and sharing ideas for fun screen-free activities. At home it is a great opportunity to rediscover toys and boardgames and enjoy spending quality time together being present in the moment. Even an hour unplugged can make a meaningful difference.

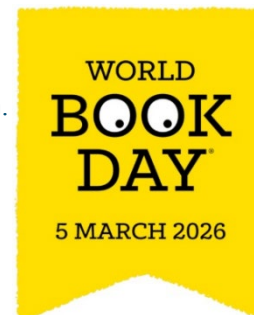


School Grounds Safety Reminder

To ensure the grounds remain safe and orderly during busy drop-off and pick-up times, children **must not** play football, use the play equipment, or ride bicycles or scooters anywhere on the school site. The play equipment and field are not open for use before or after school, and pathways must remain clear for all families moving through the grounds. Thank you for your co-operation in helping us maintain a safe environment.

World Book Day 2026 – Thursday 5th March

We are looking forward to celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 5th March.



This year the theme will be bedtime stories, so children are encouraged to come to school in their cosiest pyjamas to enjoy a day of story book fun. Everyone will still go outside to play, so please do ensure that children have appropriate outdoor footwear and coats as well!

Scholastic Book Fair – Thursday 5th and Friday 6th March

We will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair on Thursday 5th and Friday 6th March. The Book Fair will be open for browsing and buying from 8.15-8.40am and 3.15-3.45pm each day in the dining room. Payment for books is either by card or by scanning the QR codes displayed around the room (this is probably the faster option as there is only 1 card reader.) Unfortunately, **we can not take cash** at this event.

Your child will have brought home a £1 book voucher in their bag this week which can be used towards books at the fair, or in most book shops.

Every book sold at the fair helps us to earn free books for Tannery Drift.

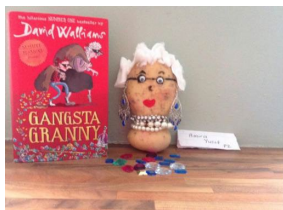
World Book Day Potato Character Competition

Choose a favourite book character and transform a potato into that character!

Children can use paint, fabric, paper, googly eyes, pipe cleaners - anything crafty that helps bring their chosen character to life. The more creative and inventive, the better!

Key Details

- Bring completed potato characters to school by: Friday 13th March.
- Where to drop them off: The classroom.
- Prizes: 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners will receive Waterstones gift vouchers, generously donated by the Friends of Tannery Drift.



We can't wait to see the brilliant, book-inspired creations the children come up with.

Do follow us on Facebook for even more updates:



Dates for your Diary:

2026

March

Thu 5 th	World Book Day 2026 Scholastic Book Fair
Fri 6 th	Global Day of Unplugging Scholastic Book Fair Puffins Class Assembly 9-9.15am - Parents & Carers Welcome
Fri 13 th	Owls Class Assembly 9-9.15am - Parents & Carers Welcome FTDS Early Years Disco 4.30-5.30pm FTDS Years 1-4 Disco 6.00-7.30pm
Mon 16 th	Reception Hearing & Vision Screening
Tue 17 th	Reception Hearing & Vision Screening Year 2 Tag Rugby Festival* Year 3 & 4 Spring Music Concert 2-3.00pm - Parents and Carers Welcome
Wed 18 th	Rocksteady Concert 9.30-10.30am - Parents and Carers Welcome
Thu 19 th	Year 4 PGL Meeting 3.15-4pm
Fri 20 th	Red Nose Day for Comic Relief*
Mon 23 rd	FTDS Easter Trail and Cake Sale*
Wed 25 th	Nursery Easter Hat Parade 9.15am*
Thu 26 th	Reception Easter Hat Parade 9.15am*
Fri 27 th	Pelicans Class Assembly 9-9.15am - Parents & Carers Welcome
Mon 30 th	<i>EASTER BREAK</i>

April

Mon 13 th	Start of Summer Term
Wed 29 th	Parent Coffee Morning 8.50-10am

May














Wed 13 th -	
Fri 15 th	Year 4 trip to PGL Caythorpe Court*
Tue 19 th	Class Photographs
Mon 25 th	<i>HALF TERM WEEK</i>

Details to follow*

Newly added

Attendance

Our school attendance target is 97.5%. Thank you for working with us towards achieving this.

		Year to date	Term to date
Ladybirds 	96.6%	97.4%	
Little Tigers 	96.5%	92.6%	
Red Robins 	96.3%	93.6%	
Owls 	97.0%	96.2%	
Pelicans 	97.1%	95.6%	
Puffins 	96.4%	95.3%	
Red Foxes 	97.2%	96.5%	
Badgers 	96.7%	96.6%	
Penguins 	98.5%	97.9%	
Kingfishers 	97.3%	97.0%	
Lions 	97.2%	96.6%	

Well done Penguins and Ladybirds for great attendance so far this term!

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Reminder!

Children are to remain off school for **at least 48 hours** following any bout of sickness or diarrhoea to prevent spread. In school we are currently emphasising the importance of washing hands with soap and would appreciate parents continuing to encourage good handwashing practices at home.

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School Disco - Friday 13th March, School Hall

TICKETS NOW ON SALE!

Priced at £3 for Early Years, and £3.50 for Years 1-4.

Please click on the links below to purchase your tickets:

Nursery and Reception - 4.30-5.30pm: <https://bit.ly/FTDSdisco5>

Years 1-4 - 6.00-7.30pm: <https://bit.ly/FTDSdisco6>



If your child has a song request, please purchase your ticket by Friday 6th to ensure the DJ can add it to the playlist.

Please note: You will need to adjust the number of tickets required, as the form will default to 1x EY disco and 1x Yr 1-4 disco). **If you make a mistake, please email us to request a refund.**

Ticket sales will strictly close at 6pm on Thursday 12th March, with no sales on the day or on the door, so don't miss out! Tickets are non-transferable for medical and safeguarding reasons.

Parent helpers: Thank you to everyone who has already offered to help at the event - details will follow nearer the time, but we do still need a few more helpers to enable the discos to happen!

Early Years children will need to be accompanied by an adult at their disco, so please let us know if you can help whilst you are there. With plenty of helpers there will be flexibility to still provide support for your child at the event as needed.

The Years 1-4 disco is a drop off event, so please consider signing up to help if you would like to attend.

Please email us at friendsoftannerydriftschool@gmail.com with your availability. Thank you!

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HomeStart Aquathon – Sunday 26th April, 6-7pm, Royston Leisure Centre

Thank you to those who have signed up so far. We almost have 1 team of 6 but need more swimmers to enter a 2nd team! This is a sponsored event with all fundraising split 50:50 between FTDS and HomeStart.



Last year we had several Year 3 and Year 4 children on the team, plus some ex-Tannery pupils (Year 5 and Year 6) alongside parents/carers.

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.

February 100 Club Winners

We are pleased to announce the winning numbers for the FTDS 100 Club February draw are:

- 1st place - 31
- 2nd place - 06

Congratulations! First place wins £29 and second place wins £12.

You will receive an e-mail to confirm. Please respond so we can transfer your winnings to you.

Next draw is March 27th.

We are providing the below term dates in advance to help ensure holidays are booked outside of term time.



2025 – 2026 Term Dates

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 Days: Monday 4th & 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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<i>WOMEN SING</i>	<i>CAMBRIDGE WINE ROYSTON</i>
<i>REVOLUTION RECORDS</i>	<i>ROYSTON TENNIS CLUB</i>
<i>ROYSTON CRICKET CLUB</i>	<i>ROYSTON TOWN FC</i>
<i>ROYSTON CAVE</i>	<i>ROYSTON CYCLING CLUB</i>
<i>ROYSTON ARTS SOCIETY</i>	<i>ROYSTON WRITERS CIRCLE</i>
<i>PRIORY QUILTERS</i>	<i>ROYSTON TOWN YOUTH FC</i>
<i>HORSEBOX COFFEE</i>	<i>ROYSTON PICKLEBALL CLUB</i>
<i>FULL LIST OF ATTENDEES ON CREATIVEROYSTON.ORG</i>	

**SUNDAY MARCH 1ST 2026 | 11AM-3PM
ROYSTON TOWN HALL**



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