

THE NOTICEBOARD

Week commencing 20th April 2026



Tannery Drift
First School

ROYSTON · HERTFORDSHIRE

www.tannerydrift.herts.sch.uk

Monday

- 12-12.30 Sketch Club for Years R-4
- 12-12.30 Read & Relax for Years 1-4

Tuesday

- 9-10.15 Tannery Tots in the New Building
- 12-1.00 Athletics for Years 1-4
- 3.15-4.00 Choir for Years 2-4
- 3.15-4.25 Football Feet for Years 1-4

Wednesday

- 8.30-11.00 Rocksteady Music Sessions
- 12-1.00 Tennis for Years 2 & 3
- 12-12.30 Yoga for Years 1 & 2
- 12.30-1.00 Drawing Club for Years 3 & 4

Thursday

- 12-1.00 Tennis for Years 1 & 4
- 12-12.30 Times Tables Club for Years 3 & 4
- 12.15-12.45 Construction Club for Year R

Friday

- 9-9.15 Badgers Class Assembly
- Parents and Carers Welcome

Summer Term Clubs

From Monday 20th April, all school clubs and activities will begin again. For lunchtime clubs, except for tennis and athletics, children are welcome to attend if they choose, with no need to sign up. For athletics and choir, you will have been emailed if your child has a place. If you have not received an email, they have been added to the waitlist.



Warm Weather

An (optimistic!) reminder that the weather may soon be warm enough that the children will need sunhats and suncream.

On hot days, please can children have a layer of suncream applied in the morning at home, and ensure that hats and suncreams brought to school are clearly named so that they can be returned to their owners.

All children should also have a named water bottle in school each day.

Do follow us on Facebook for even more updates:



Community Spirit

We are always so proud to see the way in which Tannery Drift pupils like to help their community and take pride in their local area, so we were delighted when a parent shared the below with us:

This evening Imogen and Phoenix decided to tidy up the pathway that is next to our houses. They did this independently, and in total they collected 15 empty 2 litre drinks bottles amongst other items!



Well done Imogen and Phoenix, what wonderful initiative and care shown for your surroundings.

Parent Coffee Morning: Wednesday 29th April

Our Family Support Worker would like to invite parents to a coffee morning on Wednesday 29th April from 8.50-10am.

This informal session will take place in our new building (next to the tennis courts), and allows for an opportunity to relax with a hot drink, chat to other Tannery Drift parents as well as our

Family Support Worker, Ms Kerr. Tea/coffee, biscuits and mindful colouring sheets will be provided, and feel free to bring a project such as knitting, if you want some well-deserved me-time. Babies and toddlers are welcome to attend.



It would be great if you can send an email to admin@tannerydrift.herts.sch.uk if you would like to come, so we can gauge numbers, however walk-ins on the day are also extremely welcome.

Dates for your Diary:

2026

April

Fri 24th Badgers Class Assembly 9-9.15am

- Parents and Carers Welcome

Wed 29th Parent Coffee Morning 8.50-10am

May

Fri 1st Red Foxes Class Assembly 9-9.15am

- Parents and Carers Welcome

Wed 6th **Year 1 Phonics Meeting 3.30-4pm**

Fri 8th Owls Class Assembly 9-9.15am

- Parents and Carers Welcome

Wed 13th -

Fri 15th Year 4 trip to PGL Caythorpe Court

Penguins Class Assembly 9-9.15am

- Parents and Carers Welcome

Tue 19th Class Photographs

Fri 22nd Year 4 PGL Assembly 9-9.30am

- Parents and Carers Welcome

Mon 25th *HALF TERM WEEK*

June

Mon 1st *INSET DAY – school closed to pupils*

Mon 8th Drama Workshops for Nursery-Year 2

Wed 10th Royston Schools Tennis Tournament tbc*

Fri 12th Puffins Class Assembly 9-9.15am

- Parents and Carers Welcome

Tue 16th Year 2 Trip to the British Library*

Fri 19th Pelicans Class Assembly

- Parents and Carers Welcome

Wed 24th Parent Coffee Morning 8.50-10am

July

Tue 7th Years 1-4 Sports Day 9.30-11am*

Wed 8th Early Years Sports Day 9.30-11am*

Thu 9th Moving Up Day*

Open Evening 6.30-8pm*

Wed 15th Key Stage 2 Show 6.30-8pm*

Thu 16th Key Stage 2 Show 6.30-8pm*

Mon 20th Year 4 Leavers Assembly 9-9.30am

- Parents and Carers Welcome

Wed 22nd End of term 2pm / Nursery 11.30am














Thu 23rd *INSET DAY – school closed to pupils*

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
Ladybirds		96.3%
Little Tigers		95.6%
Red Robins		95.3%
Owls		96.6%
Pelicans		96.6%
Puffins		96.3%
Red Foxes		96.6%
Badgers		96.2%
Penguins		98.1% 
Kingfishers		96.9%
Lions		97.4% 

Please do avoid booking **ANY** termtime holidays. These will always be unauthorised, and you may receive a fine from Hertfordshire County Council. We have provided term dates through to Summer 2027 at the end of this newsletter – please refer carefully to these.

Friends of Tannery Drift School

friendsoftannerydriftschool@gmail.com

Registered Charity: 291369



FTDS Committee Meeting – 7:30pm Thursday 30th April, Enrichment Room - All Welcome!

Please join us for our next meeting on Thursday 30th April to find out more about what we do and the plans we have for the summer term.

We have lots of fantastic fundraising ideas and would love to see some new faces. If you have any questions, please email us friendsoftannerydriftschool@gmail.com. We can also provide details to join the meeting virtually. As always, there will be tea and biscuits if you come in person!

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

You can now support our Tannery teams that are taking part in the HomeStart Aquathon this weekend, using the link below.

Sponsorship link: [Home-Start Aquathon 2026 - Friends Of Tannery Drift School](#)



Art Room Competition

As part of the grand opening of The Art Room, Royston – Art Classes based in Royston Town Centre, we are encouraging pupils to enter their competition for local schools called 'Colour Your World' – inviting children to create bright, imaginative artwork inspired by colour and the world around them.

All forms of art are welcome – creativity is encouraged!

There are prizes to be won for different age brackets, for individual children as well as for the school, with winning artwork also being displayed in a special gallery at Nicholas Penn Fine Art. Artwork is to be handed in to the school office (please write the child's name, class and 'Tannery Drift' on the back) up until Monday 8th June.

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



2025 – 2026 Term Dates

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

PRIMARY STEPS

Free 6-week Course for Parents and Carers
of Autistic Children in the Primary Years

Starting
soon!

In-person in Royston

Over the course of the 6 weeks you will develop a toolkit of strategies and interventions tailored to your family and specifically designed to support your child's wellbeing and social development

No diagnosis necessary

Book via Eventbrite:
SPACE Hertfordshire



Course content:

Primary Steps is family-centred, offering support with the following outcomes:

- Understanding neurodiversity
- Understanding sensory needs
- Understanding communication differences and preferences
- Supporting and modelling interactions, inventions, and strategies
- Understanding and supporting behaviour
- Supporting and promoting independence skills

Outside of the Box CIC - SG8 7BX

10:00am-12:00pm, Friday mornings April 17th,
24th and May 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd



Autism | ADHD
Neurodiverse Conditions

Enjoyment – Achievement – Respect



Exciting news! This year's **Royston in Blue** event is on Sunday 28th June 2026

The **5km fun run / walk** is a wonderful family event to take part in, to raise funds for The Teenage Cancer Trust. It will be held at the Therfield Heath in Royston at 11am.

Last year the community of Royston and surrounding villages made over £20 000 for The Teenage Cancer Trust.

We hope you can join us on the day.

You can look on the Royston in Blue Website

<https://roystoninblue.co.uk/>

or

Our link to RaceBest is

<http://racebest.com/races/7z2xa>



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