

THE NOTICEBOARD

Week commencing 4th May 2026



Tannery Drift
First School

ROYSTON · HERTFORDSHIRE

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Monday

BANK HOLIDAY – School Closed

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
3.30-4.00	Phonics Screening Meeting - Year 1 Parents and Carers

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	Owls Class Assembly - Parents and Carers Welcome
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Phonics Screening Meeting

On Wednesday 6th May at 3.30, Year 1 (& selected Year 2) Parents are invited to a short meeting about the upcoming Phonics Screening Check. This meeting will take place in the Pelicans Classroom.



Please do not worry if you are unable to attend, as all information will be shared digitally.

Rising 3 Nursery Places

From September 2026 we are pleased to be able to offer a limited number of Rising 3 places in our Nursery Class, meaning children can start the term after their 3rd birthday, rather than waiting for the following September. For more information, please email admissions@tannerydrift.herts.sch.uk, to register your interest. Places will be considered on an individual basis, and we ask parents to think about whether their child is 'school-ready' before applying.

Do follow us on Facebook for even more updates:



Enjoyment – Achievement – Respect

Year 4 Maths Brilliance

On 23rd April, two fantastic Year 4 teams took part in an online maths competition against other schools in Hertfordshire, across the UK and even further afield.



They undertook four rounds of problem-solving and visual estimation challenges, showing superb teamwork and determination.

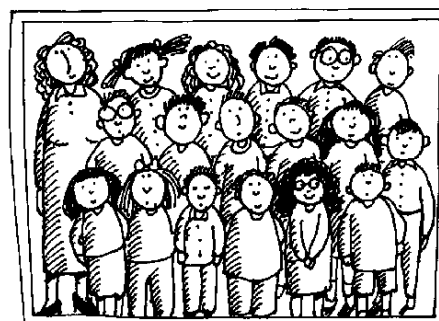
We are incredibly proud of how both teams performed and are delighted to announce that the Lions team have made it through to the grand final taking place on 19th May.

We will update you with how they get on!

Class Photographs – Tuesday 19th May

On Tuesday 19th May we will be welcoming the school photographer to take photos of each class group, as well as a whole year leavers photo of Year 4.

Please ensure your child is dressed in smart uniform on that day, and have a cardigan or jumper with them to put on. Black shoes only please.



CLASS PICTURE DAY IS
COMING SOON!

Classes who usually have PE on Tuesdays should wear school uniform instead on that day.



Summer Weather

With the weather finally getting warmer, please do ensure your child has a named sun hat and suncream in school. On hot days, please apply a layer of suncream in the mornings before school.



Dates for your Diary:

2026

May

- Wed 6th Year 1 Phonics Meeting 3.30-4pm
- Fri 8th Owls Class Assembly 9-9.15am
- Parents and Carers Welcome
- Mon 11th Ark Farm visiting Early Years*
- Wed 13th Year 4 trip to PGL Caythorpe Court
- Fri 15th Penguins Class Assembly 9-9.15am
- Parents and Carers Welcome
- Tue 19th Class Photographs
- Fri 22nd Year 1 trip to Mountfitchet Castle
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
- Tue 9th Reception New Parents Meeting 9.25-10am*
- Wed 10th Nursery New Parents Meeting 9.25-10am*
Royston Schools Tennis Tournament*
- 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
Rocksteady Concert 9.30-10.30am
- Parents and Carers Welcome

July

- Wed 1st Year 3 trip to Hertfordshire Zoo*
- 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%.

We have started this term with fantastic attendance, let's keep it up for the Summer Term!

		Year to date	Term to date
Ladybirds		96.5%	98.8% 
Little Tigers		96.2%	99.2% 
Red Robins		95.6%	99.2% 
Owls		96.6%	95.7%
Pelicans		96.8%	98.5%
Puffins		96.4%	97.9%
Red Foxes		96.7%	97.4%
Badgers		96.3%	98.1%
Penguins		97.9%	96.4%
Kingfishers		96.9%	97.5%
Lions		97.5%	98.6%

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.

April 100 Club Winners

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



- 1st place - 17
- 2nd place - 47

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 May 22nd.

HomeStart Aquathon

Team Tannery did an amazing job at the HomeStart Aquathon last Sunday with a total of 184 lengths in 55 minutes!

A huge WELL DONE to all our swimmers, especially the children from Years 3 and 4 who were brilliant. Our fantastic fundraising total has now exceeded £750, but there is still time to show your support via the link.

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



Our Year 3 and 4 swimmers will receive their very well-deserved certificates in an assembly next week.

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



PLAY FOR ROYSTON TOWN YOUTH U10s!



Our Under 9s team in Royston is now recruiting new players for next Season (U10s)



We are currently seeking experienced players to join our squad.

TRAINING & MATCH DETAILS:



Weekly training sessions held in **Royston**



& Saturday matches are **Home & Away**.



IF YOU ARE INTERESTED
CALL BEN ON
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