

# THE NOTICEBOARD

Week commencing 6<sup>th</sup> July 2026



Tannery Drift  
First School

ROYSTON · HERTFORDSHIRE

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## Monday

|           |                            |
|-----------|----------------------------|
| 12-12.30  | Read & Relax for Years 1-4 |
| 12-12.30  | Sketch Club for Years 1-4  |
| 12-1.00   | Archery Club               |
| 3.15-4.15 | Summer Sports Club         |

## Tuesday

|            |                             |
|------------|-----------------------------|
| 9.30-11.30 | Sports Day for Years 1-4    |
| 12-1.00    | Athletics for Years 1-4     |
| 3.15-4.00  | Choir for Years 3 & 4       |
| 3.15-4.25  | Football Feet for Years 1-4 |

## Wednesday

|            |                                   |
|------------|-----------------------------------|
| 8.30-11.00 | Rocksteady Band Sessions          |
| 9.30-11.00 | Early Years Sports Day and Picnic |
| 12-1.00    | Tennis for Years 2, 3 & 4*        |
| 12-12.30   | Yoga for Years 1 & 2              |
| 12.30-1.00 | Drawing Club for Year 3           |

## Thursday

|               |                              |
|---------------|------------------------------|
| Moving Up Day |                              |
| 12-1.00       | Tennis for Years 1           |
| 12-12.30      | Times Tables Club for Year 3 |
| 12.15-12.45   | Construction Club for Year R |
| 6.30-8.00     | Open Evening                 |

## Friday

Archery taster day for Years 1-4

\*Year 4 tennis moved to Wednesday due to Moving Up Day.

## Royston in Blue

Well done to everyone who took part in the Royston in Blue run on Sunday! It was fantastic to see so many Tannery Drift families braving the heat to take part. Mrs Greetham was really impressed at the motivation and resilience shown, with even some of our youngest children running the 5km route on Royston Heath.



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## Peter Pan Jr

Rehearsals are now well under way for our Key Stage 2 production of Peter Pan!

The show will take place on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July, with Year 4 performing on both nights, accompanied by Badgers Class on the Wednesday and Penguins Class on the Thursday.

**Costumes are due in by next Friday (10<sup>th</sup> July)**, ready for the dress rehearsal on the Monday, where the rest of the school including younger siblings will get to watch the show.

Tickets are on sale now via Arbor, and are **limited to 2 per performer** in the first instance, to make sure all of the children are able to have family attend. If you need more than 2 tickets in total, please email the school office and more tickets will be allocated on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July.

On the day of the shows, children will need to be back at school at 6pm to get ready.



## New Arrival

We are delighted to announce the, somewhat ahead of schedule(!) arrival of Miss Cottle's baby. Tiny baby Eva was born on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June, and we are happy to say both mother and baby are doing well. We know you will join us in wishing their family all the best.





Looking at the weather forecast, we are currently anticipating Sports Days next week will be going ahead as planned. On their day, children are to wear PE kits (navy shorts and their trainers), and a t-shirt in the colour of their School House, which can be checked on Arbor. With the hot weather, please do make sure all children have a **named hat, water bottle and suncream with them.**

### Years 1 to 4 Sports Day – Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July

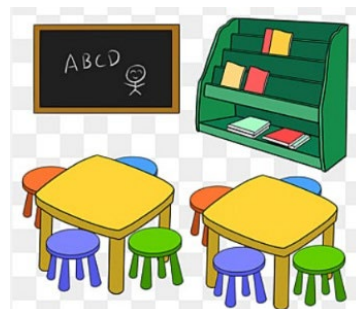
On Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July, Years 1 to 4 will be taking part in their Sports Day, which they have been practising for in PE this term. Parents and Carers are very welcome to come and cheer them on, with **arrival from 9.15am**, events from 9.30-11.30am. Good luck everyone!

### Early Years Sports Day – Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July

Not to be outdone by the older children, on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July, Nursery and Reception children will be taking part in their very own Sports Day, with running and jumping galore! Parents and carers are invited to watch on the school field at **9.15am, for a 9.30am start**. This will be followed by a picnic in the shade of the Early Years Garden until 11am. Please bring along a blanket (or similar) to sit on, and a small snack.

### Moving Up Day – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July

On Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July, children from Nursery up to Year 3 will spend the morning in their new classroom with their new teacher. Please drop off and collect your child at the normal time and place that day. We will let you and your children know who their new class teacher will be on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July.



### Open Evening

Parents and Carers are invited to join us from 6.30pm-8.00pm on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July for Open Evening; you will have the opportunity to speak with your child's current teacher as well as their new teacher and look at examples of some of the fantastic work that the children have done this year. There will also be a chance to sample some tasters from our lunch menu, prepared by the kitchen. We hope that you are able to join us.

## Friends of Tannery Drift School

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### June 100 Club Winners

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

- 1st place - 78
- 2nd place - 04

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. **Final draw is 17th July.**

### FTDS Disco

We are again very sorry that last Friday's disco was cancelled, and we thank you all for your patience and understanding. We will be back though and are planning to bring **a Halloween disco to the Tannery school hall in October!**

### FTDS Bouncy Castle Event - Friday 25th September - 3.15pm-5pm, School field

Back by popular demand - our September bouncy castle event which will take place on Friday 25th September after school on the field. There will be bouncy castles, an inflatable obstacle and giant slide, as well as games and refreshments so watch out for updates on that come September!

### Annual General Meeting

We held our Annual General Meeting on Monday 29th June and voted in the committee members as follows:

- Karen Probert and Carla Challis remain as Co-Chairs
- Nina Hindley and Natalie Graham: Co-Vice Chairs
- Rachel McGrath: Secretary
- Carly Baker: Treasurer

To support our team, we are looking for a **Co-Secretary** and **Co-Treasurer** so that we can continue raising as much money for the school as possible through our events. We are all working parents and it's just a lovely way to help give back and support our kids through their school years.

We would also like to say a big thank you to **Sally Rayner, Leanne Cannon and Chloe Dowman** who have been with us for years and are stepping down in their roles.

*Finally - check out the poster below to see how much we've raised this academic year and how the money has been spent. FTDS would like to extend a BIG THANK YOU all your support with the events and activities that we have run this year.*



# **THANK YOU!**

A massive thank you to everyone, especially our wonderful helpers, for a fantastic year of fundraising.

Funds were raised through the following events and activities:

100 Club £420 Easter Trail £579  
Halloween Cake & Costume Sale £464 Ice Lolly Sale £239  
Christmas Fair & Raffle £1,476 HomeStart Aquathon £402  
Christmas Cards £727 Eco Party Pack Hire £25  
Spring Disco £1,259 Easy Fundraising £163  
Preloved Uniform Sales £572

**Total in: £6,342**

And spent on the following events and activities:

School Trips (£10 per child) £2,350\* Early Years iPads £2,782  
Football Goals £100\* Early Years Ark Farm Visit £1,025  
Football Goals £476 Year 1 Tuff Tray & Water Table £215  
iPad Charging Trolley £1,033 Year 1 Welly Boot Rack £360  
Storytime with Santa £1,093 Year 2 Tuff Trays £100  
World Book Day Prizes £100 Year 4 Kitronik Kits £160  
Whole School Beat Goes On £1,216 Year 4 Leavers Party £500\*

\*exact value tbc

**Total out: £11,507\***



**F.T.D.S**

FRIENDS OF TANNERY DRIFT SCHOOL

Join us at our next meeting on  
**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September at 7:30pm** to help plan  
events for next year, and have a say in funding!

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## Dates for your Diary:

2026

### July

|                      |                                                                                                    |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Tue 7 <sup>th</sup>  | Years 1-4 Sports Day 9.30-11am                                                                     |
| Wed 8 <sup>th</sup>  | Early Years Sports Day 9.30-11am                                                                   |
| Thu 9 <sup>th</sup>  | Moving Up Morning<br>Year 4 Moving up Day at KJAR<br>Open Evening 6.30-8pm                         |
| Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> | Archery taster day for Years 1-4                                                                   |
| Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> | Peter Pan Jnr 6.30-8pm (year 4 & Badgers)                                                          |
| Thu 16 <sup>th</sup> | Peter Pan Jnr 6.30-8pm (year 4 & Penguins)                                                         |
| Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> | Year 4 Leavers Assembly 9-9.30am<br>- Parents and Carers welcome<br>Year 4 Leavers Party 1-3.00pm* |
| Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> | End of term 2pm / Nursery 11.30am                                                                  |
| Thu 23 <sup>rd</sup> | <i>INSET DAY – school closed to pupils</i>                                                         |

### Sep

|                      |                                            |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Tue 1 <sup>st</sup>  | <i>INSET DAY – school closed to pupils</i> |
| Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | First day back                             |
| Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> | FTDS Bouncy Castle Event 3.15-5pm*         |
| Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> | FTDS Meeting 7.30-8.30pm                   |
| Tue 29 <sup>th</sup> | Individual & Sibling Photographs*          |

### Oct

|                      |                                       |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | Flu Vaccinations*                     |
| Thu 15 <sup>th</sup> | Perform Drama Workshop for Years R-2* |
| Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> | Half Term Break                       |

Details to follow\*

Newly added

## Attendance

Our school attendance target is 97.5%.

Please do avoid booking **ANY** term time holidays. These will always be unauthorised, and you may receive a fine from Hertfordshire County Council.

|               |                                                                                       | Year to date | Term to date                                                                              |
|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Ladybirds     |    | 96.9%        | 97.8%                                                                                     |
| Little Tigers |    | 96.6%        | 98.7%  |
| Red Robins    |    | 95.5%        | 95.8%                                                                                     |
| Owls          |    | 96.3%        | 94.7%                                                                                     |
| Pelicans      |    | 96.8%        | 96.7%                                                                                     |
| Puffins       |    | 96.4%        | 96.6%                                                                                     |
| Red Foxes     |    | 97.0%        | 98.0%  |
| Badgers       |   | 96.3%        | 95.2%                                                                                     |
| Penguins      |  | 98.0%        | 97.8%                                                                                     |
| Kingfishers   |  | 96.8%        | 96.7%                                                                                     |
| Lions         |  | 97.3%        | 96.6%                                                                                     |

Well done to Little Tigers and Red Foxes for great attendance this term, and to Penguins who look on track to have the best attendance this academic year!

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 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Half Term: 25<sup>th</sup> May – 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026

*INSET Day: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026*

To end on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2026

*INSET Day: Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2026*

## 2026 – 2027 Term Dates

### Autumn Term 2026

*INSET Day: Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2026*

To begin on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2026

Half Term: 26<sup>th</sup> October – 30<sup>th</sup> October 2026

*Occasional Day: Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2026*

To end on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2026

### Spring Term 2027

*INSET Days: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2027*

To begin on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2027

Half Term: 15<sup>th</sup> February – 19<sup>th</sup> February 2027

To end on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2027

### Summer Term 2027

To begin on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2027

Half Term: 31<sup>st</sup> May – 4<sup>th</sup> June 2027

*INSET Day: Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2027*

To end on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2027

*INSET Day: Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2027*





## BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT FOR PRIMARY STUDENTS

Our primary groups are open to all primary-aged children living in North Herts and Stevenage and who have been bereaved of a significant relationship at anytime in their childhood.

### PLACES AVAILABLE IN OUR AUTUMN 2026 GROUPS

#### FIND OUT MORE

e: [hello@stand-by-me.org.uk](mailto:hello@stand-by-me.org.uk)  
t: 07469 255139/07444 201197  
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#### About our Groupwork programme

- Run over 6 sessions
- Provides a safe space for young people to share their experiences and emotions
- Staffed by a team of highly trained volunteers
- Builds connections through shared experiences
- Referrals accepted from parents, carers and Contact-me Schools



## STRONGER TOGETHER THROUGH MUSIC

A fun, supportive and creative music workshop for children aged 7 - 11 who have experienced a bereavement.

Join iRock and Stand-by-me Bereavement Support for a fun and supportive music workshop for bereaved children. No experience needed.

Led by professional band coaches, children will explore creativity, build confidence, express emotions, develop coping skills, connect with others and enjoy making music together.

Scan for more information



**TUESDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> JULY**  
**10am - 3:30pm**  
**Stevenage**

Stand-by-me Bereavement Support - Charity Number 1161035

## Groups and workshops **coram** family Autumn 2026

### Bringing Up Confident ADHD/ASD Children (6 weeks) Online group

**Monday 5th October to 16th November, 7pm to 9pm OR**  
**Friday 6th November to 11th December, 9.30am to 11.30am**

If your child has ADHD/ASD, or you think they might, join our online 6-week group where you will receive support from other parents and gain a comprehensive understanding of ADHD/ASD and learn strategies to improve life at home and at school.

### Less Shouting, More Cooperation (6 weeks) Online group

**Tuesday 6th October to 17th November, 9.30am to 11.30am**

Do you feel you are constantly nagging or shouting at your child to get what you need? Are you tired of losing your cool and want a calmer house? Join our free online 6-week group to learn how you can change the way you communicate with your child, respond better, and feel more in control.

### Dads Together (6 weeks) Online group

**Wednesday 4th November to 9th December, 7pm to 9pm**

Are you a dad who feels you are constantly nagging or shouting at your child to get what you need? Are you tired of losing your cool and want a calmer house? Join our free online 6-week group to learn how you can change the way you communicate with your child, respond better, and feel more in control.

### Anxiety around ADHD Online Workshop

**Wednesday 21 October 9.30am to 11.30am**

### Sibling Rivalry Online Workshop

**Monday 9 November 9.30am to 11.30am**

### Reducing Conflict Online Workshop

**Wednesday 25 November 7pm to 9pm**

### It's a Dad's Life Online Workshop

**Thursday 26 November 7pm to 9pm**

### Navigating the Storm (Teens) Online Workshop

**Wednesday 2 December 9.30am to 11.30am**

All our programmes provide support, information and resources to parents, carers and adult family members in Hertfordshire so they can help their children reach their full potential.

For more info, please contact Louise on 0204 522 8700/8701 or email [services@coramfamilylives.org.uk](mailto:services@coramfamilylives.org.uk) or scan the QR code for our online form.



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# **SEN LEGO CLUB**

**For children with additional  
needs and their families.**

**FIRST SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH  
2.30 - 4.30PM**

**NEW LOCATION FOR 2026**  
Coombes Community Centre,  
Burns Road, Royston,  
SG8 5PT

