

THE NOTICEBOARD

Week commencing 13th July 2026



Tannery Drift
First School

ROYSTON · HERTFORDSHIRE

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Monday

- 10.30-11.15 Kingfishers Bowls Club visit
- 12-1.00 Archery Club
- 1.30-2.30 Peter Pan Dress Rehearsal
- 3.15-4.15 Summer Sports Club

Tuesday

- 8.50-10.30 Tannery Tots

Wednesday

- 8.30-11.00 Rocksteady Band Sessions
- 12-1.00 Tennis for Years 2 & 3
- 6.30-8.00 Peter Pan (Years 3 & 4)

Thursday

- 12-1.00 Tennis for Years 1 & 4
- 12-12.30 Times Tables Club for Year 3
- 12.15-12.45 Construction Club for Year R
- 6.30-8.00 Peter Pan (Years 3 & 4)

Friday

Year 3 Trip to Hertfordshire Zoo

Last Wednesday, Year 3 went on an exciting trip to the zoo. They saw a variety of animals, observing each animal's habitat and diet. Some of the most popular animals chosen by the children were lions, tigers and rainforest animals. The World of Dinosaurs was also a very popular area to visit! The children had some time to sketch some of the animals, during their visit and also once back at school.

The children should be proud of how amazingly they represented the school! Their behaviour was incredible throughout the coach journey and trip to the zoo. A well-deserved trip for Year 3!



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Sports Days

Well done to all of the children who took part in our Sports Days this week!

The children behaved amazingly, and took part in their races with enthusiasm and determination. It was great to see such lovely teamwork, and how much support the children gave their classmates, cheering them on.

Well done to all the parents and staff who raced too!



We are happy to announce that the overall winners were....*White Rhinos!*

The individual winners for events which took place during PE classes will be announced next week, and medals presented during assembly.



On Wednesday, Early Years held their own Sports Day. The children took part in their races with laughter and determination. The morning ended with a picnic with their friends and grown-ups in the Early Years Garden. Well done Nursery and Reception!

Open Evening

Thank you to everyone who was able to join us for a very warm Open Evening yesterday. It was lovely to see so many familiar faces and to meet new ones too! We hope those who came enjoyed the evening. Thank you to all the parents for your kind and generous comments, and to those of you who gave feedback through our end of year parent survey. If you would still like to share some feedback, please use this QR code:



Moving Up Day

Yesterday was one of the most exciting days of the school year – Moving Up Day!

Children spent the mornings in their new classrooms getting to know their new teachers and classroom staff. The adults had arranged lots of fun getting-to-know-you activities for the children to take part in and told them a little bit about what life will be like in their new school year at Tannery Drift.

We were also delighted to welcome our new Nursery and Reception children into school, who spent time in their classrooms without their grown-ups for the first time, and left, we hope, feeling excited about the year ahead! Our current Year 4 children spent Thursday at King James Academy for transition day, we have enjoyed hearing all about it. On Tuesday of next week, we are looking forward to welcoming Zoe Andrews (Headteacher at King James) and Patrick Winter (Deputy Headteacher) to our school. They are looking forward to meeting with Mrs Greetham, having a tour of our school and meeting all of our Year 4 children.

Summer Reading Challenge

The Summer Reading Challenge is developed by The Reading Agency, delivered in partnership with public libraries. The challenge is designed to motivate children to keep reading over the summer holidays.



Children can take part for FREE, either at the library OR online:

Local library: From July-September you can sign up at your local library and take part in person. You'll collect special stickers and rewards for your reading.

Online: You can also take part online by signing up on the official [Reading Challenge Website](#). You'll set up a profile with a reading goal and log your books. When you reach your goal, you will unlock a virtual badge and certificate.

Regular reading is one of the biggest factors in a child achieving successful educational outcomes.



Friends of Tannery Drift School

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FTDS Dates for your Diary

More details to follow in September but for the moment, make sure you add these dates to the calendar!

🏰 **25th September** - Bouncy Castle Event

★ **28th September** - FTDS General Meeting

🎃 **16th October** - Halloween Disco

FTDS Future

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 mums and it's just a lovely way to help give back and support our kids through their school years. If you are able to help, please email friendsoftannerydriftschool@gmail.com.

Second Hand Uniform - ftdsuniform@gmail.com

One more week to get the **kids school uniform ready for September** so you don't need to worry about it over the summer holidays!

We are continuing to sell second hand logo items next week so if you need anything ready for the new term then please use the email above to request any items that you need - this includes jumpers, cardigans, PE hoodies and t-shirts, subject to stock availability.

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.

Have a wonderful summer and good luck to all the Yr4's moving to their new schools.

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 £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*



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FRIENDS OF TANNERY DRIFT SCHOOL

Join us at our next meeting on
Monday 28th 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

Wed 15 th	Peter Pan Jnr 6.30-8pm (year 4 & Badgers)
Thu 16 th	Peter Pan Jnr 6.30-8pm (year 4 & Penguins)
Mon 20 th	Year 4 Leavers Assembly 9-9.30am - Parents and Carers welcome Year 4 Leavers Party 1-3.00pm*
Wed 22 nd	End of term 2pm / Nursery 11.30am
Thu 23 rd	<i>INSET DAY – school closed to pupils</i>

Sep

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

Oct

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

Details to follow*

Newly added

Attendance

Our school attendance target is 97.5%.

Attendance is still really important as we come to the last weeks of the school year, with the end of each year group's curriculum being taught.

		Year to date	Term to date
Ladybirds		96.8%	98.0%
Little Tigers		96.7%	98.6% 
Red Robins		95.5%	96.0%
Owls		96.1%	95.2%
Pelicans		96.6%	96.8%
Puffins		96.3%	96.5%
Red Foxes		97.0%	98.1% 
Badgers		96.1%	95.8%
Penguins		98.0%	97.9%
Kingfishers		96.9%	96.9%
Lions		97.2%	96.9%

Well done to Little Tigers and Red Foxes for great attendance this term, and to Penguins who are 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.



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

2027 – 2028 Term Dates (INSET days will be confirmed soon)

Autumn Term 2027

To begin on Wednesday 1st September 2027

Half Term: 25th October – 29th October 2027

To end on Friday 17th December 2027

Spring Term 2028

To begin on Tuesday 4th January 2028

Half Term: 14th February – 18th February 2028

To end on Friday 31st March 2028

Summer Term 2028

To begin on Tuesday 18th April 2028

Bank Holiday: Monday 1st May 2028

Half Term: 29th May – 2nd June 2028

To end on Monday 24th July 2028

Parents of children who will be in **Year 1, Year 2 and Year 4**, please note that the national phonics screening assessment for Year 1, end of Key Stage assessments for year 2, and Multiplication Tables Check for Year 4, take place during **May and June** each year. It is essential that children are in school for these dates.

Teamwork | Respect | Enjoyment | Discipline | Sportsmanship



MINI & YOUTH RUGBY SEASON TRAINING STARTS SUN 6 SEP

U5S TO U18S

- Newcomers welcome
- Build fitness, confidence & friendships
- Qualified coaches & supportive volunteers
- Matches, festivals & social events
- First three sessions FREE

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