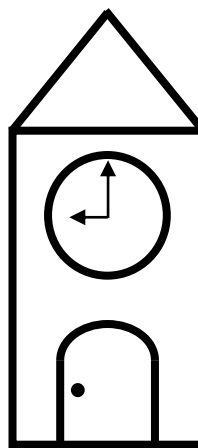


NEWSLETTER

20th July 2018



What a busy yet amazing summer term we have had!

Time has flown by and I cannot believe it is the end of the school year already. Thank you to all parents, staff, governors and most importantly the children of Friday Bridge Primary School for making my first year as Headteacher so incredible.

Thanks also to everyone for their amazing support at recent fundraising events:

- Race for Life - together we raised £381.10 for Cancer Research UK (Charity 1089464)
- Summer Fayre - a fantastic £815 was raised for school funds!

Year 6

As we say goodbye to our wonderful Year 6 pupils I would like to wish them well as they move on to new challenges at secondary school. We hope they will all drop in for a visit from time to time to let us know how they are getting on and we sincerely hope that they will look back upon their time at Friday Bridge Primary School with fond memories.

Goodbye

As it is the end of term we have some farewells to say to staff - Mr Pallett, Miss Gathercole and Mrs Hurrell. I would like to thank them for all of the valuable work and commitment which they have shown to our school and wish them well for the future. They will each be greatly missed by the school community.

End of Year Outcomes

I am incredibly proud to inform you that following rigorous school development there have been significant improvements in pupil attainment in Phonics, KS1 and KS2 outcomes. Children and staff have worked incredibly hard to secure good progress and raise standards of teaching and learning. We will continue to ensure rapid improvement to ensure all pupils achieve their potential as a result of high quality teaching and learning opportunities.

School Production

What an amazing end to the year! I was so incredibly proud of all of our children, who sang their hearts out and put on a fantastic show - entertaining families and friends and showcasing their talents with confidence and enjoyment. It was lovely to have so much support from parents. I would like to thank Karl and all of the staff for making it such a success. Collections at the three performances totalled a fantastic £145.70 for school funds - thank you. Now to look forward to our next production in July 2019!!

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Class Names

Next year we will be changing the names of our classes. During 'Jump Up' mornings children voted to choose the names for their classes - all around the theme of birds:

Class 1	Ducklings
Class 2	Robins
Class 3	Kestrels
Class 4	Hawks

In addition, for next year we will be implementing a house system which will enable children across the school to earn house points through good work and behaviour, competitions and sports events. The houses will be led by Class Teachers and children will be informed which house they are in when they return to school in September (all siblings will be kept in the same house):

Mrs Clarke	Dragons
Mrs Evans	Centaur
Mrs Murphy	Phoenixes
Miss Fitzpatrick	Griffins

Building Work

Over the summer there will be significant building works taking place at school in order to enhance school security. Fencing is being replaced and as well as being higher will also section off the field and playground from the car parking area. The front entrance is being partitioned and renovated to provide a secure lobby. When we return in September drop off arrangements remain the same.

Changes to Payments

You will receive an email over the summer which will provide details of the new payment system which we will be implementing in school - 'Arbor'. This will replace the existing system for paying for school meals.

Breakfast Club

Next year, from Monday 10th September, we will be opening a breakfast club from 8:10 - 8:50 am. Children can have a nutritious breakfast to set them up for the day. In addition to providing healthy cereals, bagels, fruit and yoghurts we will also have activities for children to enjoy. Further details and booking information will be sent out at the start of the Autumn Term. The cost of breakfast club will be £1.50 daily or £6.00 per week.

Roald Dahl Day - Thursday 13th September

We will be celebrating Roald Dahl Day by dressing up as our favourite characters and taking part in a range of activities linked to the author's works. Plenty of time to think of a costume ... we hope to see the BFG, Witches, Mr and Mrs Twit and lots of other crazy characters on what will be a fantastic fun-filled day.

Safeguarding

Over the next few weeks and beyond, please do not ignore any concerns you may have regarding the well-being of children (and young people) in your neighbourhood. Remember, all children have a right to be safe and well looked after so if you are in any doubt, make a call and talk to someone.

Telephone Children's Social Care at Cambridgeshire Direct on 0345 045 5203 (office hours) or 01733 234724 (out of hours). You can also email: MASH.C&F@cambridgeshire.gcsx.gov.uk

If you are not a professional involved with the child or family, you do not have to give your name and your conversation will be treated confidentially.

If you think there is an immediate danger and urgent help is needed, then dial 999.

End of Term - Summer Holidays

I hope to see many of our families at the Leavers' Assembly on Tuesday but meanwhile thanks once again for your ongoing support. Have a lovely summer and lots of quality family time.

Sophie Foston
Headteacher

Diary Dates

July 2018

Tues 24th End of Term - Leavers' Assembly 2:00 pm

September 2018

Tues 4th Training Day

Wed 5th Training Day

Thurs 6th Autumn Term Opens

Class 1 Welcome Meeting 3:00-3:15 pm

Fri 7th Class 4 Welcome Meeting 3:00-3:15 pm

Mon 10th Class 2 Welcome Meeting 3:00-3:15 pm

Grafham Water Information Meeting - 3:20 pm

Thurs 13th Roald Dahl Day

Class 3 Welcome Meeting 3:00-3:15 pm

26th- 28th Grafham Water Residential Trip

October 2018

Mon 1st NSPCC Workshops

Mon 15th Phonics Workshop - Class 1: 2:40-3.05 pm

Fri 19th End of Autumn Term A