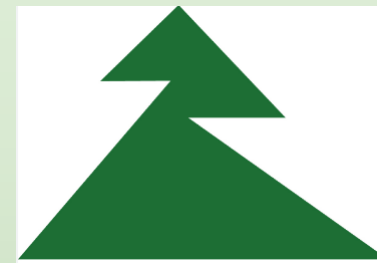


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Firside Junior School Newsletter

Friday 31 May 2024



Head Teacher's message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last half term seemed to absolutely fly by and somehow we find ourselves in the final half term of the academic year. We really are keeping everything crossed for some better weather this half term as last half term was a bit of a wash out.

At the end of last term, we saw the Year 6 children go on their residential to Cambridge. It was a wonderful three days and the children were absolute superstars. They travelled by train to Cambridge and went on day visits into Cambridge, enjoyed the challenge of a clip and climb centre and spent their evenings out bowling and at the cinema. Of course, these amazing experiences would not happen without our dedicated staff who took time away from their own families to make the trip happen. We would like to extend a huge thank you to all of the staff who went with on the visit and to our visit leader, Mrs Parker, whose organisation skills for the trip were truly amazing!

Now that we are entering the final part of the summer term (when hopefully we see some sunshine) we will relax the uniform rules and children do not need to wear their school ties. The rest of the uniform list should still be adhered to please.

We look forward to seeing everyone on Monday for the first day of term.

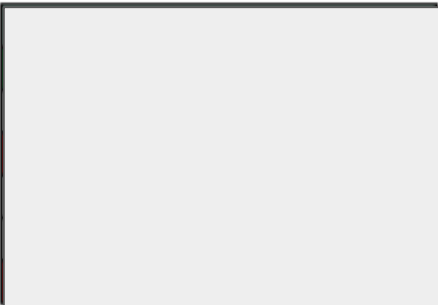
Kindest regards,

Mrs Robinson (Head Teacher), Mr Keer (Deputy Head Teacher) and Mrs Seagrave (Senior Teacher)

Dates for your diary

Mon 3 June	First day of Summer 2 term
3 - 14 June	Year 4 multiplication check window opens (children will complete it during these two weeks)
Tues 4 June	Year 3 tag-rugby coaching
Fri 7 June	Year 6 tag-rugby coaching
Tues 9 July	Year 3 Whitlingham trip
10-12 July	Transition days for all year groups (Year 6 transition days to HHS)
Tues 16 July	Sports day events Year 3 (9:15-10:45am) and Year 4 (11am - 12:30pm)
Wed 17 July	Sports day events Year 5 (9:15 - 10:45am) and Year 6 (11am - 12:30pm)
Fri 19 July	Last day of term - free non school uniform day

Diary dates for the rest of the school year



June 2024						
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August 2024						
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Key: - Schools open to pupils - bank holiday
 - pupil holiday - Inset Day



Uniform reminder

Now we are into the summer term, children are welcome to wear summer uniform (summer dresses and shorts).

After half term, children can stop wearing their ties.

A reminder that PE kit should include black shorts / jogging bottoms, a **white** logo PE tshirt or plain **white** polo shirt and a black jumper / hooded top or logo fleece. We are having a number of children turning up to school in non-school colours for PE. A full uniform list is available [on our website.](#)

We know that lots of the girls prefer to wear cycling shorts for PE but please can we ask parents to ensure that cycling shorts are not too short.

Sports Days

You will see on our diary dates that we will be having our annual sports days on the following dates and times.

Tuesday 16 July: Year 3 9:15-10:45am and Year 4 11am - 12:30pm

Wednesday 17 July: Year 5 9:15-10:45am and Year 6 11am- 12:30pm

More details to follow about this but we wanted to let you know of the timings in advance.

Tag-rugby

Once again this year, we are welcoming North Walsham Rugby Club coaches in to do some fun coaching sessions with each year group. These sessions will take place within the school day. Children should come to school on their tag-rugby day in their PE kit. On their tag-rugby week, children should also wear PE kit on their usual PE / Games lesson days. Year 4 and 5 have taken part in their sessions.

The remaining dates for the sessions are:

Tuesday 4 June Year 3

Friday 7 June Year 6



Accelerated Reading at home

Don't forget that your children can quiz at home on their Accelerated Reader books [using this link.](#)

You can also find out if one of their home reading books is quizzable on AR by using the [AR bookfinder website.](#) If it is listed as a book then they can quiz on it.

Rock Notes

We currently have spaces in our Rock Notes choir with Mrs Dance. Sessions are after school on Mondays (£2 per session).

Please contact the School Office if you would like your child to start.

Fish and nut free

A reminder to all families that we aim to be a fish and nut free school. This is due to severe allergies in some children in our school. Please help us to keep them safe by refraining from including fish or nut products in your child's lunchbox. Nut products might include: whole nuts, nuts in cereal bars, peanut butter and Nutella. Fish products might include, but is not limited to: tuna, salmon, fish paste, fish sticks and prawns. We do not serve fish as a hot dinner or jacket potato filling option.

We ask that all parents follow this guidance as food allergies can be very serious. Thank you.



Uniform for sale

We are now keeping our uniform sale permanently in the School Office where we have a range of second-hand and new uniform for sale.

If you need any pieces, please do pop by the office to see what we have. All items are just £1.

We are always looking for donations of second-hand uniform in good condition. Particularly jumpers, cardigans, ties and PE fleeces. All the money raised from our uniform sales go back into buying things for the school.

We do have a few second-hand coats available too.

Thank you.