



NEWSLETTER

Friday 25 September 2026

Message from the Leadership team



Although it hardly seems possible, we are half way through this half term and next week, we will see the start of October! We have had some lovely weather over the last few weeks, however please make sure your child is prepared for rainy days and has a coat with them in school every day. However much they might protest, they will need their coat!

We have sent out information this week about some upcoming events. Firstly our Open Classroom events. This is an opportunity for you to come into the classroom, talk to your child's teacher and see the hard work that they have been doing so far this year.

The second is a new addition to our calendar: our Family Learning afternoons. We hope this will be a lovely chance to come into school and work with your child on an enjoyable activity organised by the teachers. We hope to see lots of you there. If you are unable to make your child's class event, they will still be able to take part and we hope you will be able to make future Family Learning events.

For Year 3 and 4 parents, you will notice a few advance dates for Christmas performances. We know it is early to be mentioning it, but we wanted to give you the dates as early as possible. Parents will be invited to attend one of the two performances so please take note of the dates. A reminder that Year 5 and 6 do not share a Christmas performance as they perform later in the school year. We do this to ensure that the children experience participating in a range of performances during their time at Firside.

We hope you have a lovely weekend!

Diary dates

Mon 5 Oct Y6 Measurement programme

Tues 6 Oct Open evening for Y2 pupils

Tues 20 Oct Open classroom event
Y4 Hawk and Owl trust

Thurs 22 Oct Last day of term

Mon 2 Nov First day of term

Wed 16 Dec

Y3 Christmas performance 9:30am

Y4 Christmas performance 1:30pm

Thurs 17 Dec

Y4 Christmas performance 9:30am

Y3 Christmas performance 1:30pm

Fri 20 Dec Last day of term

Family Learning afternoons and Open Classroom



We warmly welcome you to our new

Family Learning Afternoons

Parents / carers / grandparents are welcome to come
Max 2 adults per child please

5W - Tuesday 13th October
5T - Thursday 15th October
5P - Wednesday 21st October
3L - Monday 2nd November
3A - Wednesday 4th November
4L - Tuesday 10th November
4R - Wednesday 11th November
4DL - Thursday 12th November
6C - Tuesday 1st December
6T - Thursday 3rd December
6B - Friday 4th December

All events will run from 1:45pm until 2:45pm

FIRSIDE JUNIOR SCHOOL



Open Classroom

Tuesday 20th October
3:15pm - 4:30pm

- ✓ An informal drop-in session.
- ✓ See your child's classroom.
- ✓ View their work so far.
- ✓ Meet the teacher.

FIRSIDE JUNIOR SCHOOL

Friends of Firside need you!

The Friends of Firside play a vital role in supporting our school and helping to make a difference to the experiences our children enjoy.

Through fundraising and the continued support of our members, the Friends are able to provide additional equipment, resources and opportunities that enrich school life. This can include purchasing equipment for the children to use in school, as well as helping to fund special experiences, activities and events that they may not otherwise be able to enjoy.

To continue providing this valuable support, we need our members to stay involved and we would warmly welcome new members who can bring new ideas and support to our group. Every contribution, however big or small, helps us to give the children the best possible experiences during their time at Firside.

Please remember that experiences such as Mother's day shops, Father's day shops and discos cannot run without help!

Thank you to all our members and families for your continued support. Together, we can make a real difference to our school and, most importantly, to our children.

Information is included in this poster about the next meeting - we hope to see lots of you there!



COMMITTEE MEETING & AGM FRIENDS OF FIRSIDE - AGM

WHEN: Friday, 16th October
TIME: 6:30 PM

WHERE: THE BULL, HELLESDON

★ COME AND SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL! ★

JOIN US

We need your support!
Join our friendly committee to help make a difference.
Open to all parents, carers, and staff.