



NEWSLETTER

Emails and Letters sent home this week:

E-MAIL:

- Lunchtime helpers request email
- PTA events email
- Yr 6 Health Screening Programme Letter
- Activ Kids Email
- Choir Email

TERM DATES 2017-2018

	Open	Close
Autumn	6th Sep	20th Oct
	30th Oct	19th Dec
Spring	4th Jan	9th Feb
	19th Feb	29th Mar
Summer	17th Apr	24th May
	4th June	24th Jul

2017 -2018 INSET days

- Mon 4th September 2017
- Tues 5th September 2017
- Wed 3rd Jan 2018
- Mon 16th April 2018
- Fri 25th May 2018

School will be closed May Bank Hol 7th May 2018

2018 2019

	Open	Close
Autumn	5th Sept	19th Oct
	29th Oct	19th Dec
Spring	3rd Jan	15th Feb
	25th Feb	5th April
Summer	23rd April	24th May
	3rd June	24th July

Autumn 3

22nd September 2017

Message from Mrs Reid

It has been a lovely week in school with the children all engaged in their learning to the strains of Pharell Williams 'Happy' travelling down the corridors from the KS2 music lessons!

Thank you to all the parents who attended our cohort meetings this week. We hope you found the information helpful.

Today was a very special day as we held our annual Welcome Service for our new reception children and all the new starters in Frieth School. Well done to the year 6 pupils who led the service for the first time, and to our Head Boy and Head Girl for their lovely, encouraging speech of welcome.

It was lovely to have families joining us for the service and staying on for the Owls Cohort meeting, followed by



the new Starters' lunch. We love having the opportunity to get to know our new families as well as the new children, and the lunch gave us the chance to do just that. By getting to know each other we really can fulfill the words of the final verse of the response prayer we heard today in church:

'Let us build a school where all are named
Their songs and visions heard
And loved and treasured, taught and claimed
As words within the Word
Built of tears and cries and

laughter
Prayers of faith and songs of grace
Let this school proclaim from floor to rafter
**All are welcome, all are welcome,
All are welcome to this place.'**

Don't forget that there will be another chance to join us for a church service on Monday 9th October at 9:15, when we will be holding our school Harvest service in the Church .

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Reid

Welcome To Frieth School & The PTA!





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Reminders

LUNCHTIME HELPERS

Thank you to the parents who have already responded with offers of help at lunchtime. We still have some lunchtimes where we would appreciate some more help so if you are able to help with lunchtime cover next week we would be very grateful. If you are able to help from 12.00–1.30pm that would be wonderful, alternatively if you can spare 12.00-12.45 or 12.45-1.30 that would be equally as good!

Please e-mail the school office if you can help and we will put together a rota.

Headlice

We have a few cases of headlice being reported in school and would be grateful if you would check your child's hair on a daily basis and treat if necessary and keep long hair tied back so that we can avoid them spreading. If your child is taking part in swimming this term and needs to brush their hair afterwards, please provide a hairbrush in their swimming bag so they don't borrow one from another child.

For additional advice please go to the following link:

<http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/Head-lice/Pages/Introduction.aspx>

Website Information

All the class pages have now been updated with the class timetables and curriculum information.

Collection Arrangements

We understand that there are times when your usual collection arrangements for your children may change. In order for us to keep the pupils safe and to limit the number of pupils we have to make phone calls about at home time we would ask that parents follow these guidelines for informing the school of any changes.

- If you know of the changes in advance for the week ahead, please send a note or an email to the class teacher to alert them to any changes for the week on a Monday morning.
- If you are aware of the change before morning drop off, please write a note for your child to give directly to their class teacher
- If you are changing arrangements on the day, please email the office by 12noon.
- **In an emergency or after midday, please telephone the office and leave a message on the answerphone or with the office staff.**

Data Collection Forms

Thank you to all the parents who have sent back their signed data collection forms. There are still a few outstanding so please could they be returned on Monday morning. Please check the information carefully to ensure we have the correct contact details for your child in our system. If any of the details are now out of date or incorrect, please change them on the form.



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Free School Meals and Pupil Premium

We will also be sending home a free school meals and pupil premium application form with each data collection form. Children whose parents/carers receive one of the following benefits are entitled to free school meals and will generate pupil premium for their school:

- Income Support (IS)
- Income-based (not contribution-based) Job Seeker's Allowance (IBJSA)
- The guaranteed element of the State Pension Credit.
- Income-related employment and support allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 Children who receive IS or IBJSA in their own right are also entitled to receive free school meals.
- Universal Credit
- Child Tax Credit except if you meet ANY of the following criteria
 - i) entitled to working tax credit (regardless of income)
 - ii) have an annual income in excess of £16,190 (Please note that this figure is for April 2017 and that it can change each year). Where a parent is entitled to Working Tax Credit during the four-week period immediately after their employment ceases, or after they start to work less than 16 hours per week, their children are entitled to free school meals.

If your child is in reception, year 1 or year 2 it is still important to complete this form because registering for free school meals could also raise extra funding (currently £1320 per pupil in primary schools) from central government which can be used in your child's school to raise the attainment of pupils from lower income families and close the gap between them and their peers. This also applies to children in year 3 up to year 11 (secondary schools currently receive £935 per registered pupil) who register for free school meals.

Church Services

We have a number of Church services throughout the school year, including our Welcome service, Harvest service, Christmas service, Easter service and Leaver's service. As with all our services, parents are more than welcome to attend, but are asked to sit at the back of the church so the children can sit in the pews. This term our services are:

Monday 9th October 9:15am Harvest service

Tuesday 19th December 1pm Christmas service

St Johns Frieth will also be holding a family Harvest service on Sunday 8th October at 3pm.

DIARY DATES

Dates and events happening in the school diary can all be accessed in the Calendar section of the School Website at the following link:

<http://www.friethschool.co.uk/website/calendar/186376>

More information is available on our school website

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