

# Farway Church of England Primary School



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Dear Parents,

Watch out if you sit or stand too still at Farway, as you're likely to get measured! Both KS1 and KS2 children were well on their way to becoming measuring masters this week, by demonstrating careful and accurate measuring skills.

Key Stage 1 have been investigating and identifying informal units of measure in their learning, by using objects around the school to measure different dinosaur footprints. Can you remember the important rule when you pick an informal unit to measure? We discovered that you can measure with pretty much anything, but it must always be the same size to make it accurate. The children were very inventive with their selection of informal objects to measure with, including lego bricks, felt pens, rubbers, scissors, glue sticks and even paintbrushes!

Key Stage 1 also got to step inside the footprints of some of the largest dinosaurs to ever roam the land. With a little support, they successfully measured and drew the lengths and widths of a T.Rex and Apatosaurus footprint, before predicting and checking how many of their own feet they could fit inside the lengths, and general footprint areas. Some of the children predicted they might need some more Farway feet inside the dinosaur footprints to completely fill the area, and sure enough they were correct as we had to borrow Key Stage 2 feet too! The children were amazed to see everyone's feet inside the T.Rex footprint, and realise the sheer size of these giants.

Linked to the planets, Key Stage 2 have been identifying and measuring different radius and diameters. This has been quite a challenge for some of the pupils, and I have been most impressed with their ongoing resilience, and resourcefulness, to strive for the spicier challenges each time. Using compasses to measure the circle properties, the children were then able to apply their knowledge of radius and diameter facts, to create their own scaled down solar systems. What would your top tips be for using a compass to create a circle? What is the special rule between the radius and diameter?

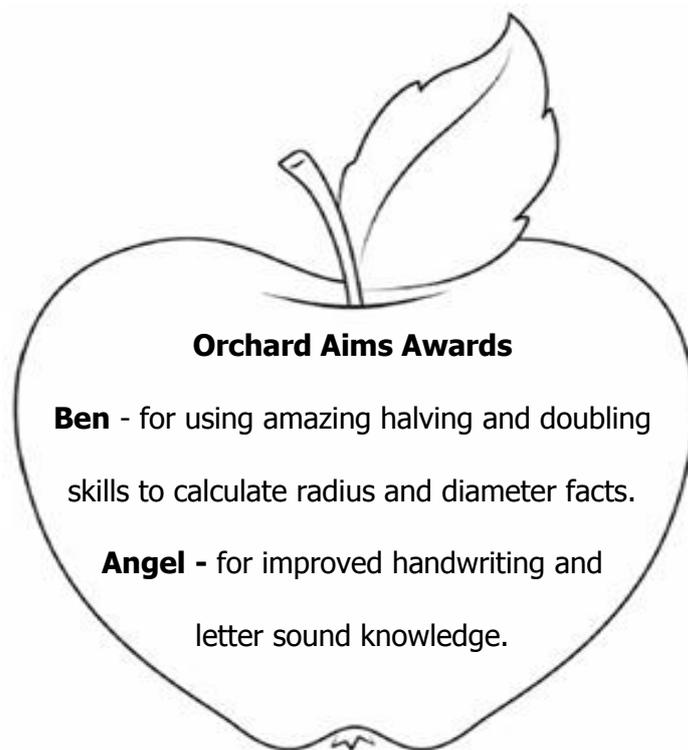
On Friday, the Key Stage 2 children took part in a fantastic trip to see a 'Space Dome' in the Branoc Hall, Branscombe. They took part in lots of exciting space themed activities, and visited the mobile planetarium. More about this next week!

Thank you for all your continued support.

God bless and have a lovely weekend.

*Best wishes from Katie Gray and the staff at Farway CE School*

**Question of the week:** How are you thankful in your health, home, family, friends and food?



### **Key Dates**

#### **Spring Term 2018**

6<sup>th</sup> February- Key stage 1 Zumba event, at Honiton Community College.

9<sup>th</sup> February- Last day of School before half term.

**12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> February- Half term.**

19<sup>th</sup> February- First day back after half term.

### **Hockey Tournament**

Well done to all of our Key Stage 2 children, who took part in the Honiton Learning Community Hockey Tournament on Monday. The children split into two teams, Year 3 and Year 5. Both teams played well, and the children all tried very hard to do their best. Well Done! Thank you also, to the parent volunteers who made this trip possible, by giving up their time and helping to transport the children, we are very grateful.



## Headlice

Last week we sent home a note, asking all parents to check their child's hair for Headlice, and to treat them accordingly. We would appreciate your help with this. Please check your child's hair every night. It only takes one child not to be treated, for the whole school to become re-infected. By working together we hope to prevent further outbreaks.

## Honiton Learning Community Sports Events

Throughout this year, we have the opportunity to take part in a selection of sports events at Honiton Community College. We would like our children to take part in as many of these events as possible, as they are a wonderful opportunity for the children to be involved in Physical Education, alongside friends from the Federation and other children in the Learning Community. They are also lots of fun! As the events are often only for a select age range, we would appreciate parent's help in transporting children to and from these activities.

Next Term's events will be a **Futsal event, on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February for Key Stage 2**, and a **Multi Skills event, on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March for Key Stage 1**.

If you are able to help transport children, to and from this event, please speak to Tamsin in the school office. These events cannot take place without parent volunteers, so we would really appreciate your help. Thank you!

## Zumba

This week our **Key Stage 1 children** will take part in a Zumba event, at Honiton Community College, on **Tuesday** morning. Thank you to all the parents who have offered to help, this event could not take place without you, so we are very grateful. A reminder that all children will need their **P.E Kit** and **Car seat** in school with them on this day. If you haven't yet returned your **SOE3 permission form**, please can you do this on Monday morning? Without the form your child will be unable to take part in this trip. Thank you.

## Collective Worship Activity

This term we will be focussing in school on the value of Thankfulness. We hope your family will find these ideas helpful as you explore the value and have fun together. If the children bring back something that you have done at home linked to the Collective Worship activity, or can talk about a discussion they've had at home linked to it, then Mrs Gray will award them with a new special sticker.



**FAMILY  
FOCUS**

**Time to say  
"Thank you"**

Draw a clock face for your family to fill in together.

Choose one day and ask every one to think, as the hours tick by, about one thing in each hour that they would like to say **thank** you for.

Draw a picture of what you are **thankful** for in each segment.

# YOUNG PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR 2018

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**Age groups: 8-11 or 12-16**

**SUBJECT: WILDLIFE OR PETS**

Up to three entries per person, size 7 x 5 in. as either colour or black and white prints. Each photograph must have a title and the name, age and contact number of the entrant. Please send your entries to Mrs. J. Stephens, Sidbury Mill, Sidbury, Sidmouth EX10 0RE before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018. Free entry. Must be your own work unaided. No late entries can be accepted.

All entries (subject to the discretion of the judges) will be exhibited at the Prize Giving at The Gallery, Sidbury Mill, Sidbury, on **Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> May at 2 p.m.** All exhibitors, with a parent/guardian are invited. No unaccompanied children please.

**PRIZES of £60, £40, £20 for the 3 winners in each group**

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## Winter in Wild East Devon

<p>Mon 12 Feb 10am to 12 noon <b>Bird watching for children</b> at Tower Hide, Seaton Wetlands</p>  <p>wildeastdevon</p>	<p>Tues 13 Feb 10am to 1pm <b>Nest box building</b> at Reed Base, Seaton Wetlands</p>  <p>wildeastdevon</p>
<p>Wed 14 Feb 2pm to 4pm <b>Bird feeding fun</b> at Cranbrook</p>  <p>wildeastdevon</p>	<p>Sat 10 and Sun 11 Mar 10am to 4pm <b>Mother's Day treats</b> at Seaton Wetlands</p>  <p>wildeastdevon</p>
<p>Sat 10 Mar 6am to 8am <b>Dawn chorus walk</b> at Holyford Woods</p>  <p>wildeastdevon</p>	<p>Sat 17 Mar 10am to 12 noon <b>Take a walk in the park</b> at Cranbrook</p>  <p>wildeastdevon</p>

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**Please order meals for \_\_\_\_\_**

The menu is on the school website [www.farway.devon.sch.uk](http://www.farway.devon.sch.uk) - Please look at **week 3**.

	<b>Menu Choices for Week Beginning 5<sup>th</sup> February 2018</b>	Cost £2.50 per meal
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		
	Amount Enclosed	<b>£</b>
	Please make cheques payable to Devon County Council	

***In accordance with our policy, if you pay for your child's meals then payments for school meals should be made on the Monday before the meals are taken.***