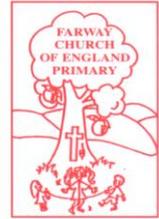


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Dear Parents,

Following last week's theme for Anti-bullying week, the children have been using their Bee animal learning powers, to collaborate with others. They have recognised and respected others views, and acknowledged how everyone has their own skills and strengths to offer.

'The Jolly Christmas Postman' story is the new literacy focus for KS1 this week. It's a delightful text about a cheerful postman, who has some rather interesting and amusing letters to deliver. The children were treated to a very special visitor earlier in the week, when the local postman was passing by, and came in to say hello to us all! The children were thrilled to meet a real life postman, and ask him all their questions, about what it is like to deliver so many letters.

After helping the postman collect some post from our Farway post box, the children were then lucky enough to take a peak inside the postman's van, and listen to him tell them all about his role, and why he enjoys getting up at 4am so much!

What did you ask the postman? What was the most interesting fact you found out? Can you remember why he keeps dog biscuits in his pocket? As a big thank you, the children are writing and posting, their own letters to the postman, to tell him how much they enjoyed his visit.



In maths this week, KS1 children have continued to investigate money. Reception and Year One pupils have been recognising, matching and sorting coins, and beginning to make different amounts, to 'pay' for the items that are for sale, in their new, post office role play area.

Year Two children have been applying their money knowledge to solve money problems, to calculate totals, and give change. How much change from £1 would you get if you spent 23p on an apple?

KS2 pupils have been working towards the end of their narrative literacy unit this week. They are preparing to write their own alternative endings to their 'Fair's Fair' Victorian story.

The children have worked incredibly hard to create some amazing noun phrases, to add detail and describe the main characters. I have been tremendously impressed with their editing skills in particular, and noticed how creative they have been with their word choices. Discovering how to use similes and metaphors, has also helped the pupils, to add further detail to their character writing. Tell someone at home what the difference is between a simile and a metaphor. How are they different?

Geometric reasoning is keeping the pupils of KS2 busy in maths this week. Proving how many lines of symmetry a shape has was the challenge, and the children practically investigated lines of symmetry, by looking at different 2D shapes and using paper to fold them to reveal the symmetry. Which shapes had the most lines of symmetry? Were there any shapes without any lines of symmetry?

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:

Key Stage 1: What happens to a letter after it is posted?

Key Stage 2: What was the greatest invention ever?



Key Dates

Autumn Term 2017

5th December- School Christmas Dinner

12th December – Christmas Play (evening)

14th December- Open Morning for prospective parents -10am- 12pm

19th December- End of Term

Good Samaritan Awards.

This week we have begun a challenge towards our Good Samaritan Awards.

Within The Jubilee Federation we wanted to reward children for completing tasks linked to areas within our PSHCE curriculum, so we devised The Good Samaritan Awards. KS1 and Foundation stage have been acting out a play and KS2 have been devising an educational trail. **Good Samaritan Award** - *'Looking After Ourselves and Looking After Others'*.

How does it work?

Children are asked to complete tasks relating to the following areas; staying safe, keeping healthy, enjoying and achieving, economic wellbeing and making a positive contribution. The aim being to give children a broad and balanced view of society.

Each class will do a life skills activity each term, ensuring all children are involved. To achieve their **Red** award the children will need to complete 5 challenges, including the class ones. **White** they will need to achieve 10 and for the **Blue** award they will need to complete 15 challenges. This will be over the course of the year.

If the children raise money for a charity by putting in extra effort they can win a Citizenship Award Certificate. For thinking of others, having an idea, putting in the hard work and raising money for a nominated charity.

We hope you enjoy some challenges at home and look forward to hearing all about them!

Children in Need

We had a fantastic day celebrating Children in Need last Friday, and raised £16.84 to help the charity. Thank you to everyone who donated.



Lost Uniform

We have a number of items of school uniform that have gone missing. Please can you check your child's school uniform, to make sure that it has not become muddled up with another child's? Thank you for your help with this.

Collective Worship Activity

This term we will be focussing in school on the value of Justice. 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.

TALK ABOUT JUSTICE TOGETHER...

Justice means more than making things 'fair'.

In order for people to live together well in a **just** community, it is important to have rules or laws that everybody sticks to. Imagine if there were no rules for people driving cars on the road!

As a family you may want to talk about:

- why it is important to have rules and laws
- rules or laws that you don't think are **just** (or fair)
- family rules that you think are important

Please order meals for _____

The menu is on the school website www.farway.devon.sch.uk - Please look at **week 2**.

	Menu Choices for Week Beginning 27 th November 2017	Cost £2.50 per meal
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		
	Amount Enclosed	£
	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.

Open Morning for Prospective Parents

Across the federation we are holding open mornings during December, to give prospective parents the chance to visit our schools. If you know of any families looking for a place at school, for next year, please encourage them to visit and pass the dates on to them. Thank you.



Open Mornings



Farway C of E Primary School

**Thursday 14th December
10.00-12.00**

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Branscombe C of E Primary School

**Tuesday 5th December
9.45-11.45**

01297 680339

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Broadhembury C of E Primary School

**Wednesday 13th December
10.00-12.00**

01404 841304

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**Please come and visit our schools to
have a look round, coffee and chat.**

**Feel free just to pop in on the above dates. For
more information, or to come in at another time,
please contact the school.**