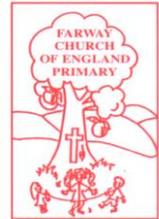


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23rd March 2018

Dear Parents,

Well, the snow came out and the sky stayed blue, and the children at Farway kept smiling through! Can it really be spring already? As we make our way to the Easter break, the children at Farway have continued to show their orchard aims, in their learning and strive towards new challenges.

What a booktastic Friday we all shared last week, when we welcomed some of our most favourite story characters into school, by dressing up for World Book Day, 2018. From Nancy Drew to Dennis the Menace, Little Red Riding Hood to Matilda and The Hungry Caterpillar to The Demon Dentist, we had quite an array of characters! Upon revealing the precise identity of who was who, and parading our fabulous costumes for all to see, the children took turns to explain which story they had chosen as their favourite, and what they especially liked about the character they had dressed as. The children had terrific fun guessing who was who, and discussing which character props had assisted their guess!



Throughout the day, the children shared their favourite stories and authors with each other, by taking turns to read and retell their books and tales, and hot seat their favourite characters. What is your favourite story, and who is your favourite character? What do you especially love about the character? The children also took turns to guess who the characters might be, by looking at and devising sets of clues, for example; who might have golden hair, a rumbling tummy and porridge dribbled down their dress? Or, who has glasses, grey curly hair, frequently smells of cabbage and carries a sack of stolen jewels?



KS1 children have been enjoying their role play castle this week, by taking turns to be the proud Princess, the foolish dragon, or the very handsome, yet rude Prince. The children have also been learning the correct vocabulary to identify and name the different parts of a castle. Explain to someone at home the difference between a tower and a draw bridge.

KS2 are working night and day, on night and day! In their science learning, the pupils have been discovering what happens to the sun and the moon, during the day and night. They shared a particularly interesting debate earlier in the week, where they had to prove whether a statement was true or false. It was marvellous to see everyone so engaged and discussing the night and day facts, and using a range of technical vocabulary to support their evidence. Some pupils went as far as demonstrating their true or false fact, by manipulating resources and space models from the classroom. Explain to someone at home if the moon orbits the Earth during the day, and how you can prove it is true or false.

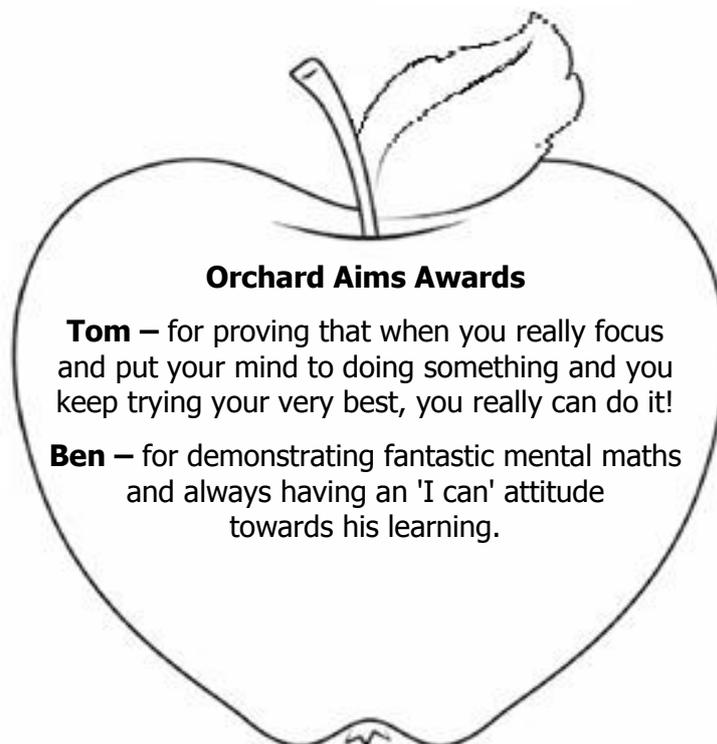


Thank you for all your continued support.
God bless and have a lovely weekend.

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

Question of the week:

Question of the week: When was the last time someone else showed you compassion? What did they do or say that showed their compassion?



Key Dates

Spring Term 2018

Thursday 29th March- Easter Service -9.15am, Last Day of Spring Term & 'Wear a Hat' Day.

Summer Term 2018

Term Begins Monday 16th April

Bank Holiday: Monday 7th May

Non Pupil Day: Friday 25th May

Half Term: Monday 28th May – Friday 1st June

Headlice

We still have an ongoing problem with Headlice in school. **Please** can **all** parents check their child's hair for Headlice, and 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.

Reminder

A reminder to please look in your child's book bag, at the end of each school day. Important letters, notices, and your child's homework are sent home in the bags every week. Thank you.

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 half term's events, will take place in the afternoons, on **Monday 23rd April, Monday 30th April and Monday 21st May**. 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!

Fundraising for Playground Soft Surface

We are going to start fundraising to raise funds, so that we can upgrade our preschool playground area, to a soft bouncy, rubber surface. This will make a huge difference to the outside area, which is in constant use by the children. If you have any ideas on how we can raise funds, please let us know. Thank you to those of you who have been in touch.

Collective Worship Activity

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



QUIZ The Stranger on the road was kind....

Change one letter in the word to answer the next clue.

- The traveller was attacked as he walked along the ROAD
- Watching from the rocks was a small creature like a frog ----
- The Samaritan ____ the innkeeper to look after the man ----
- The Samaritan acted with courage. He was ____ ----
- We sometimes talk about the ____ of friendship (rhymes with pond) ----
- Wrap tightly with a bandage (rhymes with find) ----
- The Samaritan in the story was ----

MARINE YOUNG COMPANY | MONDAY 23 APRIL – MONDAY 9 JULY JOIN THE MARINE YOUNG COMPANY AND EXPLORE YOUR CREATIVITY

Marine Theatre, in partnership with Exeter Northcott Theatre, is offering a regular opportunity for 40 talented young people to make thought provoking theatre together in a professional setting. Previous experience of acting is not required, but desire and commitment are compulsory. The sessions will be delivered by experienced drama tutor and Northcott team member Lizzie Hedden.

WHERE? - Marine Theatre, Church St, Lyme Regis DT7 3QA.

WHEN? - Mondays from 23 April 2018 for 10 weeks (with breaks as per local schools term times).

Years 5 – 7: 5 P.M. – 6:30 P.M. - Years 8 – 11: 7 P.M. – 9 P.M.

COST? - £100 advance for 10 sessions; places can be secured with a £25 deposit, followed by two equal instalments.

The term culminates with a sharing of work for friends and family. Marine Young Company members will have opportunities to work with Marine staff as well as perform on the stage. To find out more, and to register for a place, please contact Sophia Moseley at admin@marinetheatre.com or 01297 442394

Please order meals for _____

The menu is on the school website www.farway.devon.sch.uk - Please look at **week 3**.

	Menu Choices for Week Beginning 26 th March 2018	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.

FARWAY C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

The information below is a consultation document relating to changing the way we incorporate the pre-school into the school. At the moment it is classed as additional governor led provision. By changing the age range of the whole school to be 2-11, the pre-school can be managed as part of the whole school. This change is purely a technical one for school management. Nothing will change on a day to day basis for pupils or parents.

Consultation on Change of Age Range of Farway C of E Primary School

Proposal

Consultation on the change of age range from 4 -11 years to 2 to 11 years with effect from 19th April 2018

Background

The objective of the proposal is to fully incorporate the current governor led Foundation Stage Unit into the school by officially changing the age range of the school from 4 to 11 years to 2 to 11 years, thereby creating additional spaces for children aged 2-4 years within the School. There will be no change in the way the children are currently accommodated, with the 2 to 4 year olds being overseen by the Key Stage One teacher and organised within the Foundation Stage Unit and Key Stage One class.

Capital

No capital funding will be required by the School from Devon County Council. The increase will not affect the net capacity of the School, nor the Planned Admission Number and will not put pressure on existing classroom space.

The Process

All responses to this consultation will be considered and the timetable is as follows:

Consultation: 4 weeks (16.3.2018 – 13.04.2018)

Governing Body to consider responses received (18.04.18)

Proposed Implementation: (19.04.18 (NB – this is possible as no practical changes are required))

Responding to the consultation

You can respond to the consultation by writing to: The Chair of Governors

Contact address: C/O Farway C of E Primary School, Farway, Devon, EX24 6EQ

Emailing: clerk@branscombe.devon.gov.uk