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Spring term



Monday 6 January –

Friday 3 April

Half term

**Monday 17 February
– Friday 21 February**

Summer term



**Monday 20 April –
Wednesday 22 July**

Half term

**Monday 25 May –
Friday 5 June**

Autumn Term



**Thursday 3rd
September – Friday
18th December**

Half Term

**Monday 26th October
– Friday 30th October**

*And the child grew...
Valuing today, ready
for tomorrow.*

Australia Day

Year 1 are learning about Australia in their topic work this term and will be celebrating Australia Day (26th January) by holding a non-uniform day on Friday 24th January.

This links beautifully with two letters we have received from Holly and Charlie suggesting a fundraiser for the animals caught up in the terrible bushfires. We are therefore inviting all of our children to join with Year 1 and come to school in Aussie style clothes or Aussie colours for a donation which will be sent to WIRES (www.wires.org.au) who are organizing relief for the wild animals caught up in the fires.

Thank you to Year 1 as well as Holly and Charlie for demonstrating so well our school values – Generosity, Love and Kindness.

Collective Worship Year 5P

Year 5P presented an interesting and thought-provoking collective worship linked to Martin Luther King Day. They delivered important messages about equality and respect, as well as telling the audience about an important time in America's history. It was fantastic to see their confidence when saying their words and the audience really enjoyed their singing during the worship.

Read, Write, Inc Workshop

We are very excited to have started our journey with Read Write Inc for **EYFS** and **Key Stage One** children. This reading scheme is a proven programme for teaching phonics, devised by Ruth Miskin; a lead in one of the UK's leading authorities on teaching children to read.

A Read Write Inc workshop for parents and carers for EYFS and KS1 will be held on **Tuesday 21 January at 3.30pm** in the Key Stage Two Hall.

Chinese New Year

As part of our Chinese New Year celebrations EYFS have invited The Education Group to come into school on Thursday 23 January. The children will be learning Chinese dances, painting celebration plates and performing with the Chinese dragon! Parents/Carers of EYFS are invited to join us in EYFS from 2.30pm on Thursday to share our work and celebrations. We will also be tasting Chinese food!

We look forward to seeing you.

EYFS Team.

Dates for the Term

The key dates for this term can be found at the end of this newsletter. They have also been sent out through the Parentapp.

Mega stars in the Making!

Bake Sale Thursday 23rd January

The Young Voices after school club have only two weeks before they make their debut at a sold out Manchester Arena but we have a problem... We have learned the songs, danced the dances and bought the T shirts (literally) however we need transport to get us to and from the venue. Mrs Hanley has booked a coach but we need your help to fund our travel. Now we know that our path to superstardom was never going to be free so we have decided to have a BAKE SALE to fund our journey. We need you to buy our beautiful buns, cheeky cup cakes and delicious desserts so that we don't have to hitch a lift on the motorway or arrive by scooter.

The sale will be held on Thursday 23rd January at 3:10pm on the KS2 playground, or KS2 hall if the weather is unkind, and we promise there will be a wide array of treats to suit all budgets. If you would like to donate cakes to our sale then please pass them to your child's class teacher and they will find their way to our sale. We look forward to seeing you and will mention these first steps to stardom when we receive our first Grammy.

Young Voices Megastars in the Making

Farnworth PTA Update

Hi Everybody

As most of you know, last year the PTA made a massive contribution to the schools brilliant MUGA, which was thanks to you all. The children love it and it's used on a rota system for breaktime, lunchtime and most importantly it's been incorporated in to the PE lessons.

So we thought it was time for an update about our events held so far this school year and the money raised at these events. What donations have been made to date and what our future event schedule looks like as well as an insight into our next 'big' fundraising aim.

Since the start of this school year we have had the Autumn Disco's for the whole school. This remains a favourite of the children and it's great to see so many parent volunteers at the discos. We also ran the 2p challenge again this year. As many of you will know the Farnworth PTA Christmas Markets are always extremely popular both with all of you and the local community. The PTA brought back the children's designed Christmas cards this year as well.

Apart from the events we run the PTA also gets income from EasyFundraising, Stampastic and 100 Club so thank you for adding your support in those ways as well.

These events have so far generated over £8000 which is a fantastic start to this year's fund raising.

So far this year the PTA has donated funds for Interactive white screens on special risers for both EYFS classes which will help the children enormously. (See pics below of a couple of our pupils using the boards). We are now proud to say that every classroom has this amazing technology.



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New books have also been purchased for KS1. Atlases have been provided for KS2. We also had a request for some updated technology that the whole school can use as STEM becomes very much part of the curriculum so we have funded a set of Bee Bots. This is a fantastic addition of technology for the school and will benefit every class.



There are still many events to come during the remainder of this academic year. We will be running the extremely popular Chocolate Bingo in March. Stay and Play after Sports Day later in the year and of course the Summer Disco's too.

Going forward we have some items on the schools wish list that we are looking to raise funds for. The School Council came to a PTA meeting during the last school year with a presentation they wanted to give us to ask us if we would consider joining forces to help raise the money for a proper lodge style classroom to be built in the Forest School area. We think this is an excellent idea and again something that will benefit the whole school. This is our next 'big' fundraising goal.

As you know we can't do any of this without your support so THANK YOU to everybody who buys a ticket, volunteers to help out, donates cakes, delivering leaflets and many more things.

However we are your PTA so it would be fantastic to get some more fund raising ideas from you all. If you want to come to a meeting they are every second Tuesday of the month at 7pm in the KS2 hall and it would be great to see some new faces and hear some fresh ideas.

There are lots of ways you can get ideas to us.

Email farnworthcepta@gmail.com

Facebook page Farnworth C of E PTA

Twitter page @Farnworth C of E PTA

Your PTA Class Rep

You could even just approach any of us at drop off or pick up with an idea.

Many thanks

Farnworth CoE PTA

This week the 3 classes with the highest attendance are:



RP 100%



4J 99.67%



2M 99%

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A message from the School Council

Five ways to wellbeing

Our focus theme for this half term is - **Be Active**

Please see how many of the suggested activities below you and your family members can complete this weekend. We look forward to seeing your Tweets sharing what you enjoy.

- Go for a walk with Mum, Dad or siblings and tell them about your day
- Put your electronics down and do something active and fun
- Maybe you want to go on a jog with a close family member that you could keep up with and tell them what you need to say.

Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter. Enjoy a restful weekend!

Mr A. Redman

Headteacher



Farnworth CE Primary School Parents' Comments Slip

Parents' / Carers' Comments Slip

I wish to make the following comments:

Signed _____ Date: _____

Print name: _____ Parent / Carer of: _____

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Spring Term Events – 2020

Dates	Timings	Event
Mon 20 Jan	All Day	Year 5 Trip to Jodrell Bank
Mon 20 Jan – Wed 22 Jan	School Nurse 3 days	Year 6 Height and Weight Screening EYFS Height, Weight, Vision and Hearing Screening
Tue 21 Jan	3.30 pm – 4.00 pm	EYFS/KS1 Read Write Inc. Parents Information Meeting
Thu 23 Jan	09.00 am	5S Class Assembly KS2 Hall
Thu 23 Jan	09.00 am – 11.30 am	EYFS Chinese New Year KS1 Hall
Thu 23 Jan	12.00pm – 3.00pm	A Ball Festival (The Grange School Runcorn) Mrs Woolland
Fri 24 Jan	All Day	Non-Uniform Day (Australia day)
Mon 27 Jan	5.00 pm – 5.45 pm	YEAR 3 CHET Trip Parents Information Meeting
Wed 29 Jan	12.30 pm – 3.30 pm	Widnes Swimming Gala (Kingsway Leisure Centre)
Fri 31 Jan	12.00pm – 11.00pm	Young Voices (Manchester)
Wed 05 Feb	5.00pm – 5.45pm	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check - Parents Information Meeting
Thu 06 Feb	09.00 am	4JJ Class Assembly KS2 Hall
Thu 06 Feb	6.15 pm – 6.45 pm	YEAR 6 SATs Parents Workshop
Fri 07 Feb	12.30 pm – 3.30 pm	YEAR3/4 Tag Rugby (Widnes RUFC) Mr Tucker
Mon 10 – Fri 28 Feb	All Day	Halton Primary Arts Exhibition (Runcorn Shopping Centre)
Tue 11 Feb	7.00 pm	PTA Meeting KS2 Hall
Thu 13 Feb	09.00 am	3OG Class Assembly KS2 Hall
Fri 14 Feb	3.10pm	School Closes for Half Term
Mon 24 Feb	08.50am	SCHOOL RE-OPENS
Mon 24 Feb	4.00pm	Full Governing Body Meeting
Mon 24 Feb	7.00pm	Halton Primary Arts Performance (Brindley Theatre)
Mon 02 – Wed 04 Mar	TBC	YEAR 3 CHET Residential
Thu 05 Mar	All Day	World Book Day
Thu 05 Mar	All Day	School Nurse Follow-up Hearing and Vision Screening
Mon 09 Mar	3.30 pm – 5.30 pm	Cross Country (St Peter and Pauls School) Mr Monteith
Tue 10 Mar	7.00pm	PTA Meeting – KS2 Hall
Wed 11 Mar	4.00pm – 7.00pm	Parents Evening
Thu 12 Mar	4.00pm – 7.00pm	Parents Evening
Fri 13 Mar	3.30pm – 6.00pm	ESSA Swimming Gala (Everton Park Sports Club)
Tue 17 Mar	TBC	Sports Hall Athletics (Mrs Woolland)
Wed 18 Mar	All Day	Tempest Photography – Class Group Photographs
Mon 23 Mar	09.00 am – 12.00pm	High Five Netball (Kingsway Leisure Centre) Miss O’Grady
Wed 25 Mar	09.00 am	KS1 Cricket Multi Skills (The Grange School Runcorn) Mr Monteith
Mon 30 Mar	12.30 pm – 15.00 pm	Mini Red Tennis Festival (Widnes Tennis Centre) Mrs Plüger
Fri 27 Mar	All Day	Non-Uniform Day (PTA Easter Bingo)
Sat 28 Mar	TBC	PTA Easter Chocolate Bingo
Fri 03 Apr	3.10pm	School Closes for Easter break
Mon 20 Apr	08.50am	SCHOOL RE-OPENS

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