



## Farnworth CE Primary School

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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 3<sup>rd</sup>  
September – Friday  
18<sup>th</sup> December**

**Half Term**

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October  
– Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October**

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

### Happy New Year!

Welcome back and a Happy New Year! I hope that 2020 will bring be a happy and successful year for everyone.

I would like to thank all the children, staff, parents and carers for their warm welcome in my first week as head teacher. The children have been so friendly and welcoming throughout the week and I have been so impressed by their kind and courteous behaviour towards me and others in the school community. I am looking forward to seeing their achievements with their learning over the term and to celebrate their successes with them. The staff has helped me greatly in my first week and I have been impressed by their professionalism and dedication to the children. I look forward to meeting you over the next few weeks. There will be an opportunity to meet me later this term at a meeting with the Governors. This will be a chance to hear about the vision for the school and to ask general questions about the school. If you wish to speak to me, please catch me on the playground at the start of the school day or make an appointment through the school office. We are all looking forward to a successful term and I welcome your support.

### Collective Worship Year 3H

It was wonderful to see the confidence of Mrs Hanley's Year 3 class in presenting the collective worship on Thursday. Everyone watching would have learned so much about Epiphany as the children read so clearly and with great confidence. Thank you to all the parents and carers who supported the class and also to Mrs Hanley and Mrs Case for their hard work to organise the collective 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.

### NSPCC Parent Workshop

Just to remind you that the parents' NSPCC workshop has been rescheduled for Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January starting at 6pm in the KS2 hall. This has also been advertised via the parent app.

### Lost Property

We have accumulated a lot of lost property (mainly unclaimed uniform items) in the period up to Christmas. Mrs Goodwin has kindly agreed to sort the items into sizes and will be available for parents to view on Monday 13 January at 3.15pm after school. The items will be laid out on tables under the KS2 entrance canopy. Any items unclaimed after this will be disposed of. Thank you.

## Holiday Dates 2020/2021

These are the holiday dates for 2020/21.

| Terms  | Date of Opening                       | Date of Closing                     |
|--|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Autumn first half term   | Thursday 3rd September 2020           | Friday 23rd October 2020            |
| Autumn second half term  | Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2020  | Friday 18th December 2020           |
| Spring first half term   | Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2021   | Friday 12th February 2021           |
| Spring second half term  | Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2021 | Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2021 |
| Easter Weekend Friday 2nd April and Monday 5th April falls inside the April holiday period |                                       |                                     |
| Summer first half term   | Monday 19th April 2021                | Friday 28th May 2021                |
| May Day – Monday 3rd May – School Closed   |                                       |                                     |
| Summer second half term  | Monday 14th June 2021                 | Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2021   |

### Inset Days

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2020

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2021

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This week the 3 classes with the highest attendance are:



RD 100%



1S 99.67%



1T 99.33%

### **PTFA Meeting**

The first PTA meeting of the year takes place this Tuesday at 7.00 pm in the Key Stage 2 hall. It would be lovely to welcome some new parents along – we really are a friendly bunch with a common mission of supporting the school and all the children in it.

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2020 Spring Term No.1

This half term we are valuing GENTLENESS

## Cross Country

We are quickly approaching cross country season. As always, this will culminate with our annual visit to Saints Peter and Paul Catholic College to compete in the WPSSA event. Therefore, we would like to offer an opportunity for people to attend Cross Country Club. This will only be open to Y5/6 children with a maximum number of 24 places available. It will be starting **Tuesday 14th January** running for 4 weeks, with the last session being 4th Feb. It will finish at 4pm. We will try and ensure that we go out regardless of the weather, so please ensure that appropriate footwear and clothing is worn – no pumps will be permitted.

We appreciate that this club starts next week, but this was our first opportunity to confirm that this club will be taking place. We will inform you by as soon as possible if your child has a place.

Mrs Woolland & Mr Monteith

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### After-School Cross Country Club

I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_  
Class \_\_\_\_\_ to attend the after-school Cross Country Club.

Please delete as applicable:

- There will be an adult to meet my child at the main entrance at 4.05p.m.
- My child will be walking home (Year 6 only)
- My child will be going to WizzKids at 4.05 p.m.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Carer

## 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.

- Walking the dog
- Family bicycle ride
- Going for a run
- Park runs
- Swimming

I will certainly follow their advice and take my dog for a walk this weekend! 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: \_\_\_\_\_