



FARNBOROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Tuesday 4th September 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school after what I hope has been a marvellous summer for all of you and your families. Whilst the six weeks seem to fly by, it is always nice to come back to school to see the children with their new shoes, coats and haircuts!

We are very much looking forward to welcoming our new Reception children to Farnborough next week.

Being the start of term, I am aware that there are a few notices that need to be given and a few dates that you may need to know.

Gate Times

As you would have noticed this morning, the gate opening times have changed so that they open at 8:38. This is due to the fact that the school day does not start until 8:40, with registration being at 8:50. If the children are in the building earlier than this, they are unsupervised as teachers are preparing their lessons for the day.

The main gate at the top of the path will open for the school day at 8.35am. Please ensure that you do not drop off and leave your child before this time.

We appreciate your cooperation with this matter.

BYMT

As I am sure many of you are aware, national funding for schools over recent years has steadily decreased. This continues to be the case; unfortunately, Farnborough has felt the biggest financial cuts this year. We will always try to ensure that we continue to offer a variety of extra-curricular activities to the children and maintain an excellent standard of education to all of our pupils.

In previous years, the children in Key Stage Two have been fortunate enough to have music lessons taught to them by the fantastic teachers at BYMT. This has resulted in us being able to participate in the Bromley Music Festival at the Churchill Theatre, a Choir Festival and our annual Spring Concert. To ensure that our children are still able to access this excellent provision, the PTA has very kindly offered to pay for half of the cost of the music lessons. This will mean that we will be asking families for a voluntary donation of 10 pounds per term, per child to cover the rest of the cost for BYMT lessons.

We do understand that this is a lot of money to ask for families; therefore, we will be ensuring that the cost of the majority of school trips is much less throughout the year.

By the end of the week a letter and form will be sent out to KS2 children for you to sign and return.



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School Trips

As a school, we feel that the children should have access to as many educational school visits as possible. To ensure that this can happen and that the cost is affordable to all families we will be taking trains to visits that are in London from now on rather than a coach.

Teaching Staff

Class Names	Class Teachers
Reception - Pixies	Mrs Holmes
Year One - Elves	Mrs Bushell
Year Two – Mer People	Mrs Roberts
Year Two – Unicorns	Mrs Murray
Year Three – Pegasus	Mrs Cheesman
Year Three - Phoenix	Mrs Panayi
Year Four – Griffins	Mr Vallois
Year Five – Centaurs	Miss Morrison
Year Six - Dragons	Mr Atkinson

Mrs Matthews

Mrs Matthews will continue to lead KS1, Science and support with the whole school development plan. She will not be class based but work across years 1 – 3 with the children and teachers.

Walking to the school gate and walking home

Please note that only children in Years Four, Five and Six are allowed to walk to the school gate. If you would like your child to walk to the gate, please could you complete the required form which is available from the school office.

Only children in Year Six are permitted to walk home alone. This also requires parental consent on the relevant form, also available from the office. No child will be allowed to walk to the gate or walk home without the correct paperwork.

School Uniform

Trousers

As last year part of our school uniform, long trousers may be worn during our coldest months. Therefore, after the October half term until Easter there will be the option to be able to wear long grey trousers.

Safety around the site

Could we remind all children that while we welcome bicycles and scooters being ridden to and from the school, they are not permitted to ride them on the school grounds.



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Volunteers

Over the past few years we have been lucky enough to have some amazing volunteers support us in the classroom. If you are interested in becoming a school volunteer, please let the office or your child's class teacher know as we would love to have you in to support us with the children's learning.

Class Newsletters

These newsletters are intended as an overview of the curriculum for the Autumn Term and are on the school website. Further detail on specific areas such as English and Mathematics will be given out at 'Meet the Teacher' and at planned workshops throughout the academic year.

Target Sheets

At Meet the Teacher we will be giving each child targets that they will be working on in class and that you can support your child with at home. The format of the Target sheet will be different from previous years and will instead have all of the main areas that your child will be covering over the course of the year in English and Mathematics. This will enable you to know exactly what your child needs to attain in order to be 'Working At' age related expectations.

Please find below a list of useful dates for the Autumn Term.

Many thanks for your support

Miss James and the Farnborough Team



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Week commencing 3 September 2018

Tues 4 September

Tues 11th September

Wed 12th September

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Thurs 13th September

Thurs 13th September

Fri 14th September

Tues 18th September

Wed 19th September

Fri 21st September

Tues 25th September

Wed 26th September

Fri 28th September

Thursday 4th October

Thurs 11th October

Wed 17th October

Thurs 18th October

Mon 22nd to Fri 26th October

Mon 29th October- Fri 2nd November

Wed 31st October

Thurs 1st November

Fri 23rd November

Sun 25th November

Tues 11th December

Wed 12th December

Thurs 13th December

Thurs 13th December

Fri 14th December

Fri 14th December

Mon 17th December

Wed 19th December

9am

7pm

9am

9am

2.15 pm

9am

Local

9am

9am

9am

After School

9-11am

9am

TBC

3.30-7pm

3.30pm-6pm

TBC

TBC

Morning

2pm

2pm

6pm

2pm

PTA Glentrammon Rec Play in the Park for new Reception children. Check Reception Facebook page for details!

Children return to school

Meet the Teacher, Year 6

PTA Committee Meeting and AGM at school

Meet the Teacher, Year 3

Meet the Teacher, Year 4

Meet the Teacher, Year 5

PTA Coffee Morning for Reception parents. Meet other parents, the Head Teacher, Head of School, PTA and Committee members

Meet the Teacher, Year 2

Meet the Teacher, Year 1

Reception & KS1 Bug Club Workshop- more details to follow

PTA Scoot and Skate. on the playground, £1 admission on the door, Cake donations welcome

Meet the Teacher, Reception ** followed by a Phonics Workshop

Macmillan Coffee Morning- all parents, family & friends welcome

Year 6 trip to the Imperial War Museum

PTA School Disco, tickets in advance £5.

Infants 4:30-5:45pm, Juniors 6:00-7:15pm.

Parents' Evening

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Half Term

PTA Phil the Bag textile recycling

Year 1 trip to V & A Toy Exhibition

Year 5 trip to the British Museum

PTA Spread a little sparkle, 7pm Christmas Market set up

PTA Christmas Market

Reception Nativity, time tba

Christmas Production, Years 1 and 2

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Christmas Church Service, Years 5 and 6

Christmas Lunch, Whole School

Carols and Mince Pies, Years 3 and 4

Elf Day, Whole School

Last day of term

*Year 2- Trip to Gatton Park- dates to be confirmed



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