



This letter started off as a general reminder of a few events that we have planned over the coming weeks, however, at 6:30pm yesterday, it was announced that The Queen, Elizabeth II had passed away.

The outpouring of tributes and wonderful stories of her, are a testament to what a dignified and irreplaceable leader she was. Whether we are royalists or not, it cannot be denied that The Queen had a huge impact on all of our lives, was a gracious role model to us all and served her country in the most selfless of ways.

We will of course be celebrating The Queen's life at school in an age-appropriate way, focusing on her work, celebrations, contributions and wonderful stories that so many have to share during class and whole school assemblies.

As many have already said, although we knew that this time would come, in reality we probably all thought that it never really would. The Queen has been a constant for all of us during our lives and definitely leaves a huge void, not only here, but around the world.



Staffing Update

We are really pleased to be welcoming back Mrs Panayi, who will be working with us one day a week.

We also welcome our new SENDCo, Mrs Fearon, who will be working across both Farnborough and Worsley Bridge. Mrs Jones, will still be the main contact for parents/carers who have any concerns regarding family or SEND issues, being now based back at Farnborough for most of the week. However, this much needed additional capacity is a very welcome addition.

Reading and Times Table Rock Stars Challenge.

On Monday, we are launching our combined reading and Times Table Rock Stars challenge for the children in year two and above, Reception and Year One will only participate in the reading part of this challenge for the Autumn Term. In the past, you will recall the grid where you had to sign if your child had read on that day, and they received a bronze, silver and gold badge depending on how many days they had read.

Farnborough Primary School March 22' Consecutive Reading Challenge

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90

Reception	5-10 minutes
Year One and Two	10-15 minutes
Years Three and Four	20 minutes or more
Years Five and Six	25 minutes or more



On Monday, in our whole school assembly, we are launching our combined Times Tables and Reading challenge, where we would like all children to read and practise their times tables everyday in order to achieve our new star badges. There are six to collect. We will show the children in assembly the Times Tables Rock Stars website and app, and explain the whole challenge. We will also be sending home their TTRS login details on Monday too.

Colour Badge	Date email must be received with photo of sheet – signed.	Date badge received if read and been on TTRS consecutively for the half term
Green	Friday 14 October	Monday 31 October
Red	Friday 16 December	Thursday 5 January
Blue	Friday 10 February	Monday 20 February
Bronze	Friday 31 March	Monday 17 April
Silver	Friday 26 May	Monday 5 June
Gold	Friday 14 July	Monday 17 July

Phonics and Reading Workshop Dates for Parents/Carers

Phonics Workshop – Wednesday 28 September, 9am

Reading Workshop for Reception and Year One – Wednesday 5 October, 9am

Reading Workshop for Year Two and Year Three – Wednesday 2 November, 9am

Reception and Year 1

A phonic workshop will take place in the first part of the Autumn term with the aim to explain the importance of phonics within reading, how children learn phonics at Farnborough school and how to support children with their phonics at home. We hope to deepen the parents understanding of phonics and demonstrate the part it plays in a child's reading journey.

A reading workshop will take place in the first part of the Autumn term. The purpose of the workshop is to define reading, show how children learn to read at Farnborough, discuss how to support a child to become a confident and fluent reader and develop a lifelong passion for reading. We hope to develop the parents' understanding and knowledge how to support children's reading journey at home.

Year 2 and Year 3

A reading workshop will take place in the first part of the Autumn term. The purpose of the workshop is to define reading, show how children learn to read at Farnborough, including the importance of phonics in the reading process, discuss how to support a child to grow into a confident and fluent reader and develop a lifelong passion for reading. We hope to develop the parents' understanding and knowledge how to support children's reading journey at home.

We will be adding dates for upper key stage two reading workshops later this term.

Maths Workshops for Parents/Carers

Reception and KS1 Maths Workshops – Wednesday 12 October, 9am

Years Three and Four Maths Workshops – Thursday 29th September, 9am

Years Five and Six Maths Workshop – Thursday 6 October, 9am

For some, Maths can be quite a daunting subject. However, it is a subject we rely on throughout our life.

During the Autumn term we will be holding Maths Workshops for parents of children in EYFS and KS1, Lower Key Stage 2 and Upper Key Stage 2. These workshops will give a clear picture of how Maths is taught in our school and the wealth of strategies used to enable children to have a good understanding of such a valuable skill. In these sessions you will be able to take part in a variety of mathematical activities that will show both the skills and the processes needed to solve mathematical problems. By the end of the session parents should have a range of ideas about how to support their child at home this will enable them to provide valuable support to their child at home.

School Trips Reminder

	Date	Trip
Year One	Wednesday 21 September	Broadstairs
Year Two	Friday 23 September	London Eye & River Thames
Year Three	Monday 26 September	British Museum
Year Four	Thursday 6 October	Wingham Wildlife Park
Year Five	Monday 10 October	British Museum
Year Six	Tuesday 4 October	Natural History Museum

PTFA and Christmas Event

I am not sure if you recall that early in the summer term, we asked parents/carers if they would be interested in joining the PTA. The aim of our PTA will be to organise and hold fun, child centred events for our children and their families. If you feel you have the enthusiasm, creativity and some spare time (ha!!!) then please, please, please email admin.office@farnborough.bromley.sch.uk , for the attention of Miss James. We will be having our AGM on Tuesday 20th September at 8pm via zoom, where we will set up our new committee and start to discuss events, the main one, of course being the Christmas event.

Logins for Learning Websites

Most of you will have had your 'Meet the Teacher' meetings this week, where teachers will have spoken about various learning platforms that we use with you at home to further develop and enhance your child's learning. These platforms are (age dependant):

Times Tables Rock Stars

Google Classroom

Bug Club and

My Maths

Your children will be issued laminated cards with their login details. Please may we ask that you look after/take photos of these login details as we will be issuing them once only.

Collection of children

Please may we remind you that if your child is being collected by a different person other than who is on your child's contact form, you must email us the day before, unless it is an emergency or absolutely unavoidable.

School Books

Please could we ask you to check at home for any school books that may have accidentally not been returned to school.

General Collection and Drop off times and places

From Monday 12 September, we will revert to our normal drop off arrangements, which is Reception go to their class door. KS1 will start going through the side hall door, and KS2 children will be able to walk around to their classes.

The drop off time for all children will be, 8:40, and 3:10 collection for Reception – Year Two, and collection from the top playground for Years Three – Year Six.



"They teach us all a lesson - just as the Christmas story does - that in the birth of a child, there is a new dawn with endless potential."

The Queen

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