

Folly Hill Infant Academy

Newsletter 2

October 2022

Dear Parents,

It was such a lovely way to end the term with such beautiful singing from the children at the Autumn assembly. The Rainbow children have settled in so well. We are looking forward to a busy second half of the term for all classes and continuing our 50th year celebrations.



Rainbow class



The children have really enjoyed making repeating patterns this term. They have used natural resources, paint, cubes and a variety of other items around the classroom. They particularly enjoyed making fruit kebabs!

Sunshine class



Sunshine class have loved their 'Squeak, Squawk and Squirm' topic. The highlight has been all of the visitors we have had in, finishing with a dog agility demonstration! The children have worked really hard with writing this half term and Mrs Bacon and Mrs Norbury are so proud of them ALL! We have also had lots of fun making moving pictures, learning how to draw animals, learning songs and different gymnastic shapes. We are looking forward to half term!



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Moonbeam class



Moonbeam have had a very busy month. They have really enjoyed learning to play their recorders and seem to be mastering the skill of playing note B! They really enjoyed a visit from Farnham Youth Choir last week where they enjoyed joining in with lots of singing and games. In science the children have really enjoyed watching their beans grow hydroponically, having posed the question at the beginning of the term- Do plants need soil to grow? We have really enjoyed seeing all of your question/create work come in. Our classroom display looks wonderful.

Farnham Foodbank:



Thank you for all of the donations for the foodbank. They are very grateful for the your generosity.

Farnham Fireworks:

The School are once again supporting the Farnham Round Table in its events this term. Fireworks tickets are selling fast and here is a link to get your tickets now:

<https://farnhamroundtable.org.uk/events/fireworktickets/>

As well as supporting our community and schools throughout the year, Farnham Round Table will also be donating to the School 25% of ticket sales generated through the school, and 50% if we can help by providing 3 marshals for the procession on the night - please let the Friends know if you can help - friends@follyhill.kite.academy

Christmas trees will also be on sale very soon, with a link to order a Premium Nordmann Fir tree to be delivered by a team of local volunteers, with all proceeds going back into our community. As well as a £5 donation per tree sold directly to the school !

Christmas Cards:

If you are placing an order please do so online and return your child's artwork to school by Friday 4th November. **Please remember to tick the box that confirms you have placed an online order.**

Rainbow Lunch:

We look forward to welcoming some of our Rainbow parents for lunch on Wednesday 9th November. Please arrive at 11.50am. You will be able to sit with your reception child and the staff serve you your lunch.

Absences:

If you know your child is going to be absent from school (including medical appointments) please complete an absence request form. For medical appointments please can you provide proof of the appointment. The absence forms are available from the school office.

Keeping Warm and Dry:

Our playground is quite exposed so please make sure your children are wrapped up warm with coats and hats as the weather turns colder. Your child should have a coat in school every day.

Water bottles:

Please can you avoid sending your child to school with water bottles with a lid that has to be fully removed to drink from. Unfortunately, if these get knocked the full contents is tipped out. We have some water bottles for sale at school for those that need them. £1.50 per bottle.



Friends:

What a fantastic start to the new school year! We held our first event of the year; the quiz night was held up at the school on 14th October. We had a record turn out of 10 teams and amazing puddings in the auction - special thanks go to Rachel Bambrick-Day who donated three puddings and raised well over £100 herself. Thank you to all of those who took part and congratulations to the winning team Quiztema Aguilera!

We have had lots of lovely Halloween themed cakes for today's Cake and Craft Sale thank you for all your support so far.

Coming up after Half Term will be the School Disco on Friday 11th November. Letters will be sent out when we return to school, so you will be able to purchase tickets. Then Friday 2nd December will be Mufti Day for the children. The children are able to wear their own clothes, in return for a contribution to the Christmas raffle and tombola.

With Christmas fast approaching, it won't be long before we start asking for contributions and volunteers for the Christmas Fair... we will be in touch after Half Term with more details about how you can get involved.

Don't forget about the other ways in which you can support us with the coin challenge and of course you can always purchase something on the school's Amazon wishlist: <https://amzn.eu/9QNXrDy>

Finally, our next meeting will be held on Thursday 3rd November at The Alma pub. We would love for you to join us. From all of us at the Friends committee thank you very much for all of your ongoing support!

Online safety:

Cyber security

Children of all ages tap into cyberspace on a daily basis. At school we cover many areas of online safety however, you can help set your children off on the right foot with discussions about cybersecurity at home. While your children are young and still use the internet with your help or supervision it's a great time to start the conversation about cybersecurity. This can include how to create secure passwords, how to identify secure websites, and other web-browsing safety basics.

Internet matters have put together a really good, simple article so that parents can learn more about cyber security. <https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/what-is-cybersecurity/>

Community:

Hale Community Celebration Day
WEDNESDAY 26TH OCTOBER
11.30AM TO 3.00PM

10 Years Celebrating

We Are Open!

Hale Community Centre
Hale Youth Centre

Family Activities
Face Painting
Scavenger Hunt

Open As Usual

Try a variety of soups for lunch!
BIG SOUP SHARE

Pop-Up Cafe
Chat and Hang Out

Community Wednesdays
Pop-in for Lunch
Space to chat
Games/books
Toys
Community Fridge

Fridge & Cupboard
Hale Community Centre

Pop-in for Lunch
Wednesday's 11.30am - 1.30pm
Hale Community Centre
130 UPPER HALE ROAD, FARNHAM GU9 0JH
Tel: 01256 333333

Try a variety of soups for lunch!

Hale Community Centre & Youth Centre
130 Upper Hale Road, Farnham GU9 0JH
www.halecommunitycentre.org.uk

Come along and find out more about:
*Community groups and organisations
*Volunteering opportunities
*Local services for you.

what's on autumn half term

farnham maltings

farnhammaltings.com
box office 01252 745444

Spark your child's imagination and creativity with our packed programme of pocket-friendly events and activities. Enjoy music, comedy, family theatre, drama and craft workshops, all under one roof.

live performances



Hibernation, Little Bulb Theatre
Sat 22 October 11.30am & 2pm £8 3-7yrs



The Noise Next Door: Mysterious Mansion
of Mystery
Sun 23 October 2pm £10 5+



Christopher Nibble by Topsy Turvy Theatre
Mon 24 October 2pm £8 3-7yrs



Strange Creatures by MishMash Productions
Fri 28 October 11.30am & 2pm £8 4-7yrs

family group discounts available on all shows!

discounts will automatically be applied when you
add four tickets to your cart

workshops

From photography to puppetry, cupcake decorating to drama, there's something for all interests. Led by talented tutors, the sessions are the perfect opportunity for young people to learn new skills and socialise in a safe and friendly environment. Workshops from £15.



treats at the riverside café!

kitchen open, Tue - Sat 11.30am - 2.30pm

Our dedicated little maltings menu features a curated picnic box, ham & cheese
toastie and the recent addition of hot dogs and veg sticks!

Seating available in the Riverside Café and outside the front of the building.

book tickets: farnhammaltings.com box office 01252 745444

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Important dates for your diary

October

31st Inset Day

November

1st Children return to school

3rd Outdoor classroom day including skipping workshop

3rd Friends meeting at the Alma 7.45pm

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- 5th Farnham Fireworks 5pm – 8pm
- 9th Rainbow parents invited to lunch and reading workshop. 12 noon
- 11th School Golden Disco – all classes. 5.00pm – 6.00pm
- 14th Anti bullying week. Wear odd socks to school
- 23rd All classes – nasal flu immunisations. Consent letter has been sent to parents via email
- 24th Road Safety Magic Show – all classes
- 25th Sunshine and Moonbeam parents invited to see children's work 2.45pm
- 30th St Andrew's Day - children can wear their club uniform to school e.g. Beavers, Rainbows

December

- 2nd Children can wear their own clothes to school in exchange for bringing in something for the tombola
- 6th Pied Piper Theatre Company to perform to the children
- 6th Mrs Stone's Bedtime Story 5.30pm
- 7th Drama workshop – all classes
- 9th Christmas Fair
- 13th Rainbow nativity. Parents invited 1.30pm. Children may leave with parents after the performance
- 14th Christmas lunch for the children
- 15th Sunshine and Moonbeam festive songs with hot chocolate and mulled wine 6pm – 7pm
- 16th Christmas jumper day. Children can wear their own clothes and/or a Christmas jumper - collecting donations for Farnham Food Bank. Suggested amount £1.
- 16th Last day of school. Pick up at 1.15pm