



Farnborough Road Infant School

'LEARNING, CARING AND ACHIEVING TOGETHER'

Newsletter 1 8th September 2023

www.farnboroughroadinfants.co.uk



It's the start of the Autumn Term and a another very special school year ahead!

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all of our children and parents. It is lovely to see our school re-energised and excited for the term ahead.

A special welcome to all the new families, who have joined us in the Caterpillar class, in Nursery, in Reception and other classes throughout the school. I hope that your child's first days at Farnborough Infants are happy ones and they quickly feel at home in their new environment.

We are all committed to our school ethos 'Learning, Caring and Achieving Together' and look forward to working with the whole school community and building on the children's and school's successes.

I see the relationship between parents and school as a very important partnership, my door is always open and I welcome wholeheartedly your comments, ideas and suggestions during the coming year.

PTA News



Our very active PTA will be busy organising many events for the rest of the Autumn term.

Please come along and join our PTA Coffee morning/AGM on Friday 6th October at 9am in the school hall.

Thanks to this wonderful, dedicated team of parents we were able to pave the way for the **Redevelopment of Internal Garden this year.**

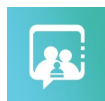
Please continue to support these events and our team in any way you can. Contact them on pta.fris@schools.sefton.gov.uk or on their Facebook page.

Thank you for your continued support.

Communication with Parents

This is key to our success and to our children's learning:-

Our Parent APP

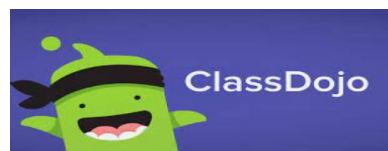


- * Please make sure you download the School APP - you will receive reminders for upcoming activities as well as our latest news through this. Also, an automatic link to the School Newsletter which will be produced fortnightly. Use the Parent App to inform us of any absences, change of contact details, fill in medicine permissions and will link into Parent Pay for payment for uniform and events.

Our School Website



- * The school website has a lot of useful up to date information readily available for parents eg Term dates, School Meal choices and upcoming events. You can also order uniform via the online shop on the website.



We were able to transfer our children and parents who have already

attended FRIS this week. If you are new to our school please make sure you stay connected with everything that we do by joining your class on Dojo .

As you know my staff at Farnborough Road Infant School work very hard. Please help me to ensure they enjoy a work/life balance and maintain all their energy for the classroom by following the guidance they have sent out for the use of Class Dojo.

Please remember to respect staff quiet hours between the hours of 5.30pm and 8am Mon-Fri and weekends.

Thank you for your continued support. Our full Class Dojo Policy is available on our school website.



FARNBOROUGH ROAD INFANT SCHOOL
HOLIDAY DATES - 2023/2024
(including INSET days)

2023		
AUTUMN TERM		
INSET	Monday 4th September	School Closed for pupils Teachers and TAs in school
INSET	Tuesday 5th September	School Closed for pupils Teachers and TAs in school
Half Term 1	Start of Term: Wednesday 6th September at 08.45am School finishes for half term on Friday 20th October at 3.15pm	
Half Term	Monday 23rd October to Friday 27th October [one week]	
Half Term 2	Return to school Monday 30th October at 08.45am School Finishes for end of term on Thursday 21st December at 2.00pm	
INSET	Friday 22nd December	School Closed for pupils Teachers and TAs in school

2024		
SPRING TERM		
Half Term 3	Start of Term: Monday 8th January at 08.45am School finishes for half term on Friday 9th February at 3.15pm	
Half Term	Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February [one week]	
Half Term 4	Return to school Monday 19th February at 08.45am School finishes for end of term Thursday 28th March at 2.00pm	

2024		
SUMMER TERM		
Half Term 5	Start of Term: Monday 15th April at 08.45am School finishes for half term on Thursday 23rd May at 3.15pm	
Bank Holiday	Monday 6th May	School Closed for all
INSET	Friday 24th May	School Closed for pupils Teachers and TAs in school
INSET	Monday 3rd June	School Closed for pupils Teachers Report Writing
Half Term	Friday 24th May to Monday 3rd June [one week and 2 days]	
Half Term 6	Return to school Tuesday 4th June at 08.45am School finishes for end of term on Tuesday 23rd July at 2.00pm	

Free School Meals

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Don't delay apply today!

Are you entitled?

Deadline END OF SEPTEMBER for schools funding

<https://www.sefton.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals>

We are aware that for many families, there have been some changes at home during the last 6 months due to the cost of living crisis and that this might have had an impact on your eligibility for free school meals. If you qualify for free school meals not only will your child receive free meals worth £15 but our school will receive additional funding too. In addition to this, during the school holiday period **vouchers (up to £15 per child)** may be continued to be allocated to spend at any supermarket to support with food shopping over the holidays.

IMPORTANT Please apply even if your child currently gets a free dinner because they are in Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 as the school will still receive additional funding which is spent on giving your child extra 1:1 learning time in school.

If you need support with applying please contact me or the Family Wellbeing Centre and we will be happy to help.

As a Sefton resident, you are eligible for free school meals if you receive any of the following benefits:

Income Support

Income based Jobseekers Allowance

Income related Employment and Support Allowance

Child Tax Credit ONLY (not entitled/ receiving Working Tax Credit) and have an income of less than £16190.00

Guaranteed element of State Pension Credit

Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)

Universal Credit and have a net household income of less than £7400 per annum

Support under VI of the Immigration & Asylum Act

Starting School



2023/24 Places Available

We have a number of School places available in our current Caterpillars (2 Year Old Nursery), Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 classes. If you know anyone new to the area or would be interested in a school place at Farnborough Road Infant School please advise them to contact me directly for a school tour.

Applications for Nursery and Reception 2024/25 are NOW OPEN.

We are now taking application for our 2 year old and 3 year old Nursery for September 2024. Places are limited and allocated on a first come first served basis. Don't forget we can offer 15 hour and 30 hour places plus top up places and wrap around care with breakfast, after school and holiday club for our 3 year olds.

Applications for Reception 2024 are also now open. Please complete online at

<https://www.sefton.gov.uk/schools-learning/school-admissions.aspx#:~:text=School%20admission%20applications%20for%20children,via%20the%20online%20Citizen%20Portal.>

The deadline for applications is 15th January 2024.

Our school values are:

COMPASSION PERSEVERANCE HONESTY RESPECT and **LOVE AND KINDNESS**

Weekly Planner **SEPTEMBER -OCTOBER 2023**



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
A M	<p>Little Treasures 10.00-11.30 From 18/9 NO BOOKING REQUIRED</p> <p>Toddler Rhyme Time 10.15 - 11.00 BOOKING REQUIRED</p>	<p>Jo Jingles 18m -3yrs 9.30-10.15 3m-18m 10.45-11.30 12/9 - 17/10</p> <p>Mini Movers 10.00 -11.00 No booking required £1 donation per child</p>	<p>Dancing Songbirds 18m-3yr 9.30-10.10</p> <p>Baby Rhyme Time birth-crawling 10.30-11.00</p>	<p>Positive Parenting 9.00 - 11.00 Booking required 2/11 - 23/11</p>	<p>Little Chefs 2yr - 4yr 10.30 - 11.30 15/9 - 20/10 BOOKING REQUIRED</p>	<p>Dads Club 10.00-12.00 Join Scott for a fun morning of activities</p> <p>2/9 16/9 30/9 14/10</p>
P M	<p>Baby Weigh In 1.00- 2.00</p> <p>Baby Yoga 6months - 12 months 1.30 - 2.30 18/9 - 9/10 BOOKING REQUIRED</p>	<p>Baby Weigh In 1.00- 3.00</p> <p>TOP TOTS 1.30-2.30 No booking required £1 donation per child</p>	<p>CHILL and CHAT For New Mums and tiny babies 1.00- 2.15 Starting 4/10 Booking Required</p>		<p>Baby Massage 1.30-2.30 15/9 - 6/10 BOOKING REQUIRED</p>	

Activities in GREEN are at Farnborough Activities in BLUE are at Kings Meadow

Please contact us to book on or for more information –
Farnborough 01704 572579 Kings Meadow 01704 571606

Email – c.horton.fs@schools.sefton.gov.uk

Facebook – **First Steps Family Wellbeing Centre**

Little Treasures

Support your child's early learning through treasure baskets, songs and stories! For babies birth to crawling.

CHILL and CHAT

Join us for a cuppa and a chat about the wonders of motherhood and looking after mum.
Places must be booked. Suitable for mums and babes aged 0-6 months.

Dancing Songbirds

Come and join Amie for dancing, singing and rhymes.
NO BOOKING REQUIRED

Baby Yoga

4 week course. Helps with nurture and touch Promotes balance, co-ordination and motor skills. £10 to pay

Jo Jingles

amazing music and movement session
With Fran

£30 - 6 weeks
Please book on by calling us 01704 572579

Mini Movers

suitable for babies/crawlers and cruisers. Discovery session to explore in a safe soft space. Songs and Story to finish
NO BOOKING REQUIRED

Dads' Club

Group for Dads and Male carers to meet with their children for fun, games, cooking

POSITIVE PARENTING COURSE

Parenthood can be extremely rewarding and enjoyable. It can also be demanding, frustrating and exhausting. The challenge is to raise healthy, well-adjusted children. During the course you will gain some useful ideas, tips and strategies to help you meet the challenges when raising children.

TOP TOTS

At St John Stones Church Hall
(at the rear of the shops on Sandbrook Road, parking available)
A physical fun activity session to encourage large motor skills aged 2+

Baby Massage

A chance for you and your baby to bond while encouraging better sleep patterns.
£10 to pay

Little Chefs

£12 - 6 weeks
Suitable for age 2-4
For children to practise simple cooking skills, to encourage your child to try new foods, be creative and enjoy cooking

Toddler Rhyme Time
At The Birkdale Hub
Station Master's House
next to Birkdale Station

Please contact us to book on

Baby Rhyme Time

Enjoy songs and rhymes with your baby

BABY WEIGH IN

Contact your Health Visitor to book on

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