



# Farnborough Road Infant School

'LEARNING, CARING AND ACHIEVING TOGETHER'

## Newsletter 10 10 February 2023



Thank you for your kind donations this week

Our school council raised £60.83 for the local RSPCA with their Toast Café.



Our 'We love our community' own clothes day today also raised £328.46.

Thank you for your continued support.

Hope you have a lovely half term. See you back in school on Monday 20th February.



Our class weekly attendance is shared in Friday's 'Star of the Week' Assembly and the children are keen for their class to win the Attendance Bear for the week.

Best Class Attendance Week Beginning 30th January was Mrs Beechey's EY and Mrs Rimmer/ Mrs Touhey's class KS1.

Best Class Attendance Week Beginning 6th February was Mrs Andrews /Mrs Price EY and Mrs Rimmer/ Mrs Touhey's class KS1.

Whole school attendance for the year to date is 97%



**FRIS PTA**

## SILVER SMARTIES CHALLENGE

Our PTA would like to give you a yummy treat, so we're sending these colourful Smarties for you to eat!

Keep the tube, don't throw it away, do tasks and good deeds to earn your pay.

So come on FRIS pupils, answer our call, so we can raise money for the good of our school!

1. Take your Smarties\* home on the last day of term to enjoy, but remember to keep the empty tube,
2. Fill your tube with silver coins by having helping hands or doing kind deeds or chores at home,
3. Return your tube filled with silver coins to class by Friday 24th February 2023.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR RAISING FUNDS TO HELP ENRICH YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING EXPERIENCE.**

\*Those with special dietary needs will be given an alternative



Today each child will receive a packet of Smarties to enjoy from our PTA and as part of our fundraising we ask that you don't throw away the packet but return it to us on the first day back with any spare change. Hopefully you can get your children to help you around the house over half term to earn some pennies for their tube. All the money raised will go towards a new PTA project.

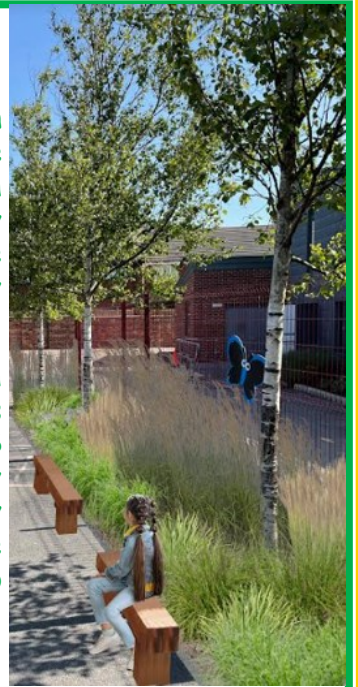
## SuDS—Sustainable Urban Drainage

Farnborough Road Infant & Junior School are two of the schools in Southport to benefit from United Utilities' £1 million Sustainable Drainage for Schools programme. Climate change and population growth means that urban drains can become overloaded during times of heavy rainfall. Sustainable Drainage Systems, or SuDS, manage rain at the point it hits the surface by providing an alternative to directly channelling surface water through sewers or to nearby watercourses.

During half term we will see an exciting project come to fruition with the creation of rain garden areas and rainwater planters at FRIS as well as a water storage butt for a water wall in Nursery. The SuDS project will help make good use of most of the rain, which we generally have a lot of in the North West, by creatively managing it on the surface where it can be used to nourish natural habitats which also benefit wildlife. AND ITS ALL FREE!



At Farnborough Road Infant & Junior School, the sustainable drainage levels will be increased by 10% - equivalent to 58 bathtubs full of water and also be used to teach our children about sustainable water use!



### Key Dates for after Half term

- Monday 20th Feb—Return to school
- Mon 20th—Thurs 23rd Feb Reception Health Screening
- 22nd Feb—World Thinking Day Rainbows and Beavers can come to school in their uniform.
- 27th Feb Spring Clubs Start
- 28th Feb Possible Teachers Strike
- 2nd March World Book Day
- 6th March New Library installation
- 8th March Mrs Tickle's class photo
- 14th March Mother's Day Shop
- 15th and 16th March Possible Teachers Strike
- 29th March Easter Fair
- 31st March Break up for Easter
- 17th April Back to School

### Half-Term Activities

13th -17th February

**First Steps**   
Family Wellbeing Centre

Monday 13/2  
10.00-10.30

Baby Rhyme Time

Join Aimie for songs and rhymes  
Suitable for babies birth to crawling  
© Kings Meadow

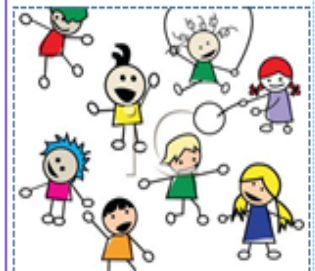
Tuesday 14/2  
10.30—11.30

Valentines Stay and Play  
Come along for craft activities and outdoor play  
All ages welcome  
@Farnborough Road.

Wednesday 15/2  
2.00-2.45

Dancing Songbirds  
Join in with Aimie, a fun musical session  
For age 2-7 years

@Farnborough Road.



No booking required for any sessions  
No charge but donations are accepted




Our school values are:

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If you haven't already done so, please purchase a Children's University Passport from our online school shop so that your child can collect the maximum amount of credits for clubs they attend and

places they visit at the weekends or during the holidays. Please ensure you have downloaded the Children's University App. It will show all of the validated Learning Destinations available close to wherever in the country you are standing! The App is FREE and is available from the App store. (Just search 'Children's University') It updates as soon as a new Learning Destination has been validated and is great for finding new places to get your passport to learning stamped—particularly if you are out and about over half term and want to know if a nearby museum or attraction is a learning destination Remember passports will be collected in May (Y2) and June (R and Y1)! Please see the Half term challenge attached—if you send evidence to [seftoncu@elevate-ebp.co.uk](mailto:seftoncu@elevate-ebp.co.uk) then your child will receive one credit for each activity completed.

## February Half Term Challenge 2023

<p><b>Activity 1</b> Get crafty by making something out of recycled materials for Valentines day. There are lots of ideas online. But try to use things you have at home. <a href="https://emmaowl.com/recycled-kids-crafts-for-valentines-day/">https://emmaowl.com/recycled-kids-crafts-for-valentines-day/</a></p>	<p><b>Activity 2</b> Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Feb is Random Act of Kindness Day so why not fundraise for a local charity. Choose what you're going to do, who you will fundraise for and design a sponsorship form. <a href="https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/how-you-can-help/events-and-fundraising/fundraising-ideas">https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/how-you-can-help/events-and-fundraising/fundraising-ideas</a></p>	<p><b>Activity 3</b> Take part in the Winter Reading Challenge online. Create an account then set your reading challenge. Don't forget to send a picture of your certificate to gain 5 credits. <a href="https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/">https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/</a></p>	<p><b>Activity 4</b> BBC food have some baking ideas for half term fun...have a look at the link below. You can try making bread, a meal, biscuits or cakes! <a href="https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/howto/guide/10-half-term-recipes-kids">https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/howto/guide/10-half-term-recipes-kids</a></p>
<p><b>Activity 5</b> Create a diary with what you have done this half term holiday without using any words but by taking photographs. Try to only take 2 photos per day. (You may need to ask a grown up to help you to transfer your photos into a word document or similar).</p>	<p><b>Activity 6</b> Visit a museum or local Learning Destination. You can find local Learning Destinations on our website <a href="https://www.childrensuniversity.co.uk/activity-search">https://www.childrensuniversity.co.uk/activity-search</a>. Write a review on what you liked best and 5 fun facts. Don't forget to send us pictures.</p>	<p><b>Activity 7</b> Learn how to draw a dinosaur by following the how to YouTube guide from the National History Museum via the link below. <a href="http://www.nhm.ac.uk/take-part/try-this-at-home">www.nhm.ac.uk/take-part/try-this-at-home</a> Don't forget to send your pictures in!</p>	

Collect extra Children's University credits during the February break by completing these challenges. Each activity is worth 1 credit (unless stated otherwise), when you send evidence of your activity to local Children's University. This could be a photograph, video, a work sheet, or writing! Send it to [seftoncu@elevate-ebp.co.uk](mailto:seftoncu@elevate-ebp.co.uk)

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