



Friars Weekly News

Friday 8th November 2019

Dates for the diary

NOVEMBER

Monday 11th - Friday 15th

Anti bullying week

Tuesday 12th

Odd sock day

Wednesday 13th

Thursday 14th

Nursery stay & play

Flu immunisation

Friday 15th

Children In Need

Monday 18th

Wednesday 20th

Online Safety - 2-3pm & 6-7pm

Thursday 21st

Coffee morning

Friday 22nd

Boys' Football

Thursday 28th

KS2 Trip to Royal Opera House

Nursery Stay & Play

Coffee morning

Friday 29th

PTA Christmas Fair

DECEMBER

Wednesday 4th

Boccia at Thorpe Hall

New Age Curling at Thorpe Hall

Thursday 5th

Coffee Morning

Wednesday 11th

Reception Nativity 8:45am

Thursday 12th

Year 1 and 2 Nativity 8:45am & 1:45pm

Monday 16th

Christmas Dinner

Thursday 19th

Inset day

JANUARY

Monday 6th

Spring term begins

Christmas Decoration days

Start 2pm

Nursery- Thursday 12th December

Reception- Wednesday 4th December

Year 1- Wednesday 11th December

Year 2- Tuesday 3rd December

Year 3- Friday 6th December

Year 4- Friday 13th December

Year 5- Thursday 21st December

Year 6- Thursday 5th December

Welcome back, we hope you had a great half term. I can't believe I'm saying this but it is now the countdown to our festive activities in school. There will be lots of seasonal events happening in school but firstly, we would like to invite you to our decoration making days, when you are welcome to come into your child's class and jointly create a seasonal decoration to take home. Please check the box on the left for your child's day.

This is a very popular event but due to the constraints of space in the classrooms we can only accommodate **one parent per child** and unfortunately **no siblings**. We hope you understand our reasons for this decision.

Check our 'dates for your diary' section for more information of upcoming Christmas events. If you have any questions about our festive timetable, please don't hesitate to ask.

Have a great weekend!

Mr McClay

Review of The Week

Early Years

Nursery

All Nursery children have returned happily following the holiday and settled back into our routines. Some children have been busy helping clear our garden of fallen leaves which has given us lots of opportunity to talk about the signs of Autumn. We have all learnt another Poetry Basket poem called 'Falling Leaves' which the children enjoyed performing along with the actions.

Reception

The children came back confidently after the holidays and were raring to go. Most children are now coming through the door and into class in the mornings by themselves, so well done everybody! We have all enjoyed a firework themed yoga session. It is lovely to see how the children are enjoying their reading books and learning their words at home.

Key Stage 1

Year 1

Year 1 have had lots of fun learning about Guy Fawkes and The Gunpowder Plot this week. They have created some wonderful firework pictures, made portraits and wanted posters of Guy Fawkes as well as discussing the sounds and colours of fireworks. We have spoken to the children about how to be safe on Bonfire Night and were really pleased with their knowledge and understanding. In maths we have been using positional language to describe where an item is positioned. Throughout the week we have worked with each child individually to assess their phonics knowledge as part of their reading.

Please sign up to our Online safety workshop via School Ping. This contains important information to help keep your children safe online!

Well done to Mrs Stephens and all the staff for raising £172.89 for Macmillan Cancer Support through their coffee morning.

NEW MENU

Dinner Menu – Week two

Monday – Chicken and Broccoli pasta
Cheese and potato pie
Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans or tuna mayonnaise
Pea and seasonal salad selection
Jam sponge and custard

Tuesday - Homemade mild beef chilli and rice
Vegetable savour rice
Jacket potato with Cheese, baked beans or tuna mayonnaise
Sweetcorn and seasonal salad selection
Date and chocolate slice

Wednesday - Roast turkey, Yorkshire pudding and crispy roast potatoes
Quorn sausages
Jacket potato with Cheese, baked beans or tuna mayonnaise
Mixed vegetables and seasonal salad selection
Cheese, crackers and grapes

Thursday - Homemade pork sausage and bean casserole and creamy mash
Veggie roll
Jacket potato with Cheese, baked beans or tuna mayonnaise
Carrots and seasonal salad selection
Ice cream tub

Friday - Beef burger in a bun and chips
Cheese and tomato pizza
Jacket potato with Cheese, baked beans or tuna mayonnaise
Baked beans and seasonal salad selection
Ring doughnut

Available daily

Cold packed lunch
Cool milk
Chilled water
Wholemeal and white bread
Fresh fruit and yoghurt

Year 2

Year 2 have had a great start to this half term. We used the exciting theme of firework night to stimulate our poetry writing. We used onomatopoeic words such as WHOOSH, BANG and WHIZZ to great effect! We also created some amazing firework pictures with a silhouette skyline. In science we investigated how heating can change materials. We melted chocolate and then challenged the children to change it back into a solid. In maths we have explored the properties of 2D shape. What a busy four days!

Key Stage 2

Year 3

We have had a great first week back in Year 3! In English we have been learning about different forms of poetry and the different features associated with them. In our connected curriculum work we have been learning how to make bronze and where dangerous volcanoes are located in the world.

Year 4

This week Year 4 have used the sequel to 'The Day the Crayons Quit' – 'The Day the Crayons Came Home!' We practised our recall and answered questions on the text, then wrote emotive postcards and letters using empathy. The children created some fantastic, imaginative responses. In Art we looked at how the Anglo-Saxons and Normans would have had to create their own clothes by spinning and weaving, and began practising some weaving skills using paper. We needed great determination and resilience for this tricky skill but some of our woven patterns were beautiful!

Year 5

In English, Year 5 have been writing creatively using tension and building suspense. We have been using the formal method for division in maths and have increased our mathematical terminology to include the terms divisor, dividend and quotient. In geography we have begun studying mountains and locating different mountain ranges around the world.

Year 6

Year 6 children have been focusing on the poem 'The Highwayman' this week. They have learnt about the vocabulary used within the poem and its meaning. On Wednesday, the children became one of the characters and wrote a diary entry from the perspective of their chosen character. In maths, they have been focusing on fractions and learning a whole variety of strategies in order to add, subtract, order and simplify them.

Sports

There are lots of events coming up in our sporting calendar including Year 5&6 boys football competition, boccia and New age Kurling. We have also arranged some friendly netball matches that will be coming up shortly so watch this space for the news on all of our matches.

Attendance – Overall 96.3%

KS1 – 1GJ & 2B - 98.8%

KS2 – 3T – 99.1%

House points

KS1 – Stirling, Windsor, Carnarvon & Stormont

KS2 – Stormont



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