

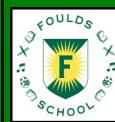
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FOULDS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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It has been an exciting week with Science Day, Shrove Tuesday and environmental trips in the snow! The children absolutely loved Science Day, which you can read more about further on, but the 'oos', 'ahs' and cheers coming from the hall were great to hear. Thank you to Mrs Knight for organising the Science Day. (Please pay £1.90 on Parent Pay if you have not already done so, thank you). Next week we have Book Week, where adults will be swapping classes throughout the week to read stories. If you would like to come in and read, please let us know! Thursday is World Book Day - a reminder that the children can come dressed as a character from any book. The staff, who always put in so much time and effort to make these days and weeks as special as possible for the children, have something special planned for that day - so keep an eye out!

Thank you to the parents who came to the coffee morning yesterday where we discussed a potential new homework policy. We know that homework is one of the most contentious issues and I'd like to thank them for raising some great points and creating a really good discussion.

We believe that homework should be another way to support our vision for every child becoming a 'lifelong learner'. We want the children to have a love of learning at home as well as at school. It should therefore develop the key building blocks of learning (reading, spelling and tables) which they will need daily throughout their lives and be fun, engaging and enhance the children's independence, confidence and resilience whilst consolidating previous learning and/or support new learning.

The proposal is that there will be an expectation of daily reading, a certain time expectation of using Times Table Rockstars weekly plus spellings. The idea is to then change challenge homework so that the children in Key Stage Two have a grid, given at the start of the half term (or term depending on the topic) from which they self-select 2 (or 4 if over a term) activities to complete based around the topic that they are learning about. The activities are varied and include a trip that can be completed as a family as well as a 'bonus box' which will be given during the topic, if the teacher finds the children are really interested in a specific aspect of the topic.

The questions raised by parents at the meeting were: how can we make sure there isn't too much screen time if the children are set online work? Could we encourage children to have to do a written and an arts task, e.g., through teacher led encouragement (if a parent felt that their child needed this)? Is there too much homework - where is the love of learning going to be done? Can we make it very clear as to what is expected - how would this be shared with parents? Is it too much to ask for Times table Rockstars to be completed daily? Could half termly spelling + weekly spelling be given in a book? Could children have an option to come up with their own topic related thing for the bonus box? Could we decide to give the grid out half termly or termly?

The parents fed back that the combination of choices was good; having a choice of things is great; not having additional homework in the holidays (with the exception of 5/6) was good; it looks like it gives more choice as to when we do the work with our children.

We want the children to have the confidence that comes from supported repetition of basic spelling, reading and tables from home and to be able to further develop and share their interests and current learning at home as at school, by sharing it with you. We are still in a development phase with this policy update so more on this will follow in due course.

Kim Sanett

Week Commencing Monday 2nd March at Foulds School

* Monday 2nd March	Book Week
* Tuesday 3rd March	My Bank session for Yr 2 at 10.30am RAH selected choir members to Monkey Hadley School (PM)
* Wednesday 4th March	Yr4 Powerleague at Friern Barnet (AM)
* Thursday 5th March	World Book Day (book character dress up) Apple class trip to Barnet Fire Station (AM) Tag rugby vs Whitings Hill at Byng Road field 3pm Football vs Cromer Road at OECC 4pm k/o
* Friday 6th March	Birch class assembly at 9.05am Pear class trip to Barnet Fire Station (AM) Dance Festival at The Arts Depot (Evening)

World Book Day is coming

The week of 2nd March is Book Week and on Thursday 5th is our annual World Book Day. This year, we'd like the children to choose to come dressed as any character from any story. There's a big push for READING stories this year and the librarians have come up with a lovely competition which involves the children creating a new character with a short story for our new library display (more info to be shared with the children).



Book Week - we are encouraging parents to 'pop in' and read stories with the children. If you are free during the week, after drop off or before the end of the day, please tell your class teacher so that we can arrange a time for you to read to the children.

Everyone will soon receive their £1.00 book voucher too which you can spend on any book in any book shop.

Online safety resources and and parental control recommendations

#Goldilocks: A fairytale for the digital age Jeanne Willis and Tony Ross

#Goldilocks is a modern twist on the classic fairy tale that offers a fun and accessible way for you to discuss all things social media related with your younger children. Co-branded by Vodafone UK and Andersen Press, award-winning author Jeanne Willis created the light-hearted story alongside illustrator Tony Ross. The book is designed to help educate children about the potential consequences of being unkind, getting carried away with selfies, or oversharing images, as we see Goldilocks getting into trouble with the three bears over her pursuit of likes on social media....

#Goldilocks Digital Book can be downloaded here:

<https://www.wearecoda.com/example-flip-book/mobile.html>

#Goldilocks Activity Sheet here:

<https://www.vodafone.co.uk/cs/groups/public/documents/webcontent/vfcon096114.pdf>

Parental Controls (Internet Matters)

<https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/>

The Best Parental Control Software for 2019

<https://uk.pcmag.com/parental-control-monitoring/67305/the-best-parental-control-software>

Best parental control apps for Android and iPhone 2020

<https://www.tomsguide.com/uk/us/best-parental-control-apps,review-2258.html>

My Barnet Story

As part of Book Week, we asked all of the children to enter a local community competition run in tandem with The Spires. The children were asked to create a story set in Barnet, of no more than 300 words, with 2 illustrations.

We've been so pleased and impressed by the children's ideas and creations however we were unfortunately only allowed to pick a few to send in. The lucky chosen few that will be sent off to represent Foulds are:

Key Stage 1

Poppy and Molly (both in Maple Class)

Year 3/4

Dylan and Jonah (Beech Class)

Abi, Ivy, Freya, Shelby and Kaya (Willow Class)

Oliver and Ella (Hazel Class)

Year 5/6

Honey and Scarlett (Y6)

Oliver (Oak)

Valen (Oak)



The children will be sharing their stories with the whole school during Book Week too.

We wish them lots of luck for the final competition. Any child who chose to enter the competition will also now have their work displayed in The Spires. There will be a 'celebratory event' on Saturday 14th March ... more details to follow.

Cake Sale for Noah's Ark Children's Hospice



TOMORROW I will be holding a cake sale for Noah's Ark Children's Hospice. This is because as part of my bat mitzvah project my synagogue asks that I think about our wider community and get involved in helping a charity. I chose Noah's Ark because it's so close to my home and I think what they do is really incredible. This cake sale is one of the projects I'm doing to raise money for them. If you can, please come to my cake sale and help me raise money for this amazing charity."

Thank you—Zoe S (apologies for error with name in previous newsletter!!)



FOULDS NOTICE BOARD



CUFFLEY CAMP—YR 5 SCHOOL JOURNEY 2020

A reminder that instalments can be made at anytime to help spread the cost of the Yr5 School Journey from Monday 15th to Tuesday 16th June. Final date for payments is **15th May 2020**. As deposits have now been paid, the outstanding balance will be £65 which should be paid via ParentPay

CELTIC HARMONY—YR 4 SCHOOL JOURNEY 2020



A reminder that instalments can be made at anytime to help spread the cost of the Yr4 School Journey from Tuesday 2nd to Wednesday 3rd June. Final date for payments is **1st May 2020**. As deposits have now been paid, the outstanding balance will be £80 which should be paid via ParentPay

PARKING

Would parents/carers please remember to park considerately; **not on the zig-zags outside the school** nor over our neighbours' drives, thank you.

ABSENCES

If your child is sick or will not be in school for any particular reason please could you telephone the office on **020 8449 2714** as soon as possible in the morning to let us know.

This is particularly important if your child is on the 'Walk to School' register.

Please note children must not return to school for 48 hours following the last bout of either sickness or diarrhoea or both together. Many thanks.

FOULDS' SCIENCE DAY - Tuesday 25th February 2020

Foulds' Science Day kicked off with a demonstration of how to make 'a cloud' in a jar with a puddle of water and a bicycle pump. This was part of a demonstration of practical investigations to help explain some of our changing weather conditions.

The children then went on to investigate topics focusing on the theme of 'Our Diverse Planet' in a series of workshops and class-based activities. These were designed to be hands-on, informative and, most importantly, fun.

The pictures show experiments involving static electricity, bouncing bubbles, 'cargo' carrying paper boats and counting taste-buds.



Cake Sale on Friday 13th March



There will be a Cake Sale on Friday 13th March after school in the canteen. It is the turn of parents/carers of children in Maple and Birch (Yr2) to bake, shop and/or volunteer. Remember home baked cakes or biscuits are usually the best sellers, but please no nuts or nut derivatives. Any offers of help would be appreciated.

Secondary School Information

Year 5 parents—if you wish your child to apply to Ashmole Academy for entry September 2021 under the Musical Aptitude criteria, they should apply to the process direct to the school **by the deadline date - Friday 15th May 2020.**

The first part of the tests will take place on Saturday 6th June 2020. Further details and the application form can be found on the Ashmole Academy website via the below link.

<https://www.ashmoleacademy.org/page/?title=Musical+Aptitude+Test&pid=488>

Should you need any further assistance, please request that they contact the Ashmole Academy school office on 020 8361 2703

School diary of events

Trip costs to parents
via Parent Pay

SPRING TERM 2020

Thursday 27 February	Rowan class trip to Environmental Centre 1pm	£4.00
	Cross Country event (meet 2) at Copthall playing fields (PM)	
Friday 28 February	Rowan Class 'drop in' for parents 3.30-4.00pm	
	Tag rugby vs Whittings Hill (PM)	
	Cake sale raising money for Noah's Ark Children's Hospice (organised by Zoe)	
Saturday 29 February	Yr4 Powerleague warm up 4.00-5.00pm at Byng Road	
Monday 2 March	PTA Quiz Night—7pm	
Tuesday 3 March	Book Week	
	My Bank session for Yr2 at 10.30am	
	RAH selected choir members to Monken Hadley school 1.15-2.45pm	
Wednesday 4 March	Yr4 Powerleague football at Friern Barnet 9am-12pm	
Thursday 5 March	World Book Day (book character dress up day)	
	Apple class visit Fire Station (10.00am-1.00pm)	no charge
	Tag rugby vs Whittings Hill at Byng Road 3pm	
	Football vs Cromer Road at OECC k/o 4pm (league)	
Friday 6 March	Pear class visit Fire Station (10.00am-1.00pm)	no charge
	Dance Festival, Arts Depot at 6pm	
	Birch Class Assembly at 9.05am	
Monday 9 March	Yr 6 Sayer's Croft Week & Yr 5 Arts Week	
	Reception recalls for vision & hearing screening (PM)	
	Tag rugby vs Cromer Road at 2.30pm (tbc)	
Tuesday 10 March	My Bank session for Yr2 at 10.30am	
Wednesday 11 March	Birch class trip to Environmental Centre 1pm (**new date**)	£4.00
Friday 13 March	Cake sale hosted by Maple & Birch (Yr2)	
Tuesday 17 March	Gym competition (8 children Yr3-6) with Mrs Groom at 8.30am	
	My Bank session for Yr2 at 10.30am	
	Yr 5/6 girls' football match vs Woodridge at 3.30pm	
Thursday 19 March	Football vs All Saints at 2.15pm	
Friday 20 March	Yr 6 Sayer's Croft Assembly at 9.05am	
	Yr5 Powerleague warm up 4.00-5.00pm at Byng Road	
	Reports home (Yr 1-6)	
Tuesday 24 March	Yr 3/4 trip to Kew Gardens	£13.25
	My Bank session for Yr2 at 10.30am	
	Football vs All Saints at OECC k/o 2.15pm	
	Book Fair after school	
Wednesday 25 March	Yr5 Powerleague football at Mill Hill 12.30-3.00pm	
Thursday 26 March	Book Fair after school	
Friday 27 March	Hazel Class Assembly at 9.05am	
	Last swim of the term	
	Book Fair after school	
Tuesday 31 March	Last KS1 NSA of the term	
Wednesday 1 April	Last KS2 NSA of the term	
Thursday 2 April	Pathway Assembly (AM)	
Friday 3 April	Oak Class assembly at 9.05am	
Friday 3 April	Finish for Easter break at 3pm	
Thursday 16 April	Reception 2020 'national offer day'	
Monday 20 April	Children back to school	
Thursday 23 April	PTA AGM at 9.15am	
Friday 24 April	Cake sale hosted by Apple & Pear classes	
Monday 27 April	Yr5 parents—secondary transfer & Sayer's Croft meeting 7-8pm	
Wednesday 29 April	Yr5 visit TTA for history workshop (AM)	
Thursday 30 April	Selected choir members trip to The Royal Albert Hall	
Friday 1 May	Rowan Class Assembly at 9.05am	
	Deadline for balance of Yr 4 trip to Celtic Harmony	
Friday 8 May	Bank Holiday—school closed	
Monday 11 May	Yr 6 SATs WEEK	
Friday 15 May	Deadline for balance of Yr5 trip to Cuffley Camp	
Wednesday 20 May	Parent Coffee Morning at 9.05am	
Thursday 21 May	Pathway Assembly (AM)	
Friday 22 May	Reception classes assembly at 9.05am	
HALF TERM—Monday 25th to Friday 29th May		
Tuesday 2 June	Yr4 School Trip to Celtic Harmony	
Wednesday 3 June	Yr4 back from school trip	
	Secondary School Link morning for Yr6	

NB—please note the May Bank Holiday this year is on Friday 8th May
(not Monday 4th May) so that it coincides with VE Day



FOULDS PTA NEWS



QUIZ NIGHT

- This Saturday (29th Feb)
- Doors open at 7pm for a 7.30pm start
- Spaces still available



MOTHER'S DAY SALE

A lovely selection of flowers to buy that special someone in your life.

Further details to follow soon.

AGM

Please come along to hear all about the PTA, what we've raised over the last year and how it's helped the school.

Thurs 23rd April at 9am



FOULDS PTA PRESENTS

QUIZ NIGHT

SAT 29th FEBRUARY 2020

7 PM (for a 7.30pm start)

TICKETS £10 PER PERSON *

- TEAMS OF 10
- BYO DRINK & SNACKS
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** Either book individual tickets and we will add you to a team,
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Would you be able to match fund or sponsor one of our PTA events? If so, please email us at fouldspta@gmail.com (or find one of us in the playground).

A SPECIAL THANKS TO:

Hamilton Chase * Dayco Maintenance
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KAM Mortgage Solutions * Littlebird
Broomfield Park Swimming Club
LBL Foulds After School Club
The Bull Theatre * Round Party
High Barnet Baptist Church
Cake Me Happy * Hopscotch
Sparkle Pamper Party * Everyman
Excel Sport * Kid Fit Parties
Tomato Education * Orchid Retreat
1st Barnet Boys & Girls Brigade Association
Melange * Aldenham Country Park
Nomadic Massage * Pretty Please
Ravenscroft Lawn Tennis Association
MGM Cars of Elstree Film Studios
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