



Do you want to be more involved in school life?

Do you want to support the children by offering exciting opportunities?

Do you have a keen and organised mind?

Are you great at raising funds?

If so, you could be a brilliant addition to our Friends of Fernwood team. If interested, contact **Abi Oakes** on the email below.

5 Reasons to join Friends of Fernwood:

1. **Benefits your child.** Research shows that children perform better when parents are involved both at home and in school.
2. **Get Connected.** There is no better way to know what is happening in school.
3. **Tap into a Network.** Friends of Fernwood connects you to other parents & teachers through meetings, events & communications, helping to build a sense of community.
4. **Be a Role Model.** By becoming a member, you'll be demonstrating to your child the importance you place on education.
5. **Witness Improvement.** By getting involved you'll be helping to make positive changes.

To become a member of our committee or a core volunteer for events or even a background helper, please email with your name, phone number and email address to:

fofprimary@gmail.com

NOTICES

Follow us on our social platforms—we use [Twitter](#) and now **Instagram** (fernwoodprimary). Come and take a look.

We have noticed a few children coming into school in trainers rather than school shoes. Please do ensure you send your child wearing the correct uniform.

After the half-term break, we are changing our finance and registration management system. We will send out information regarding this in November. Please be patient as we acclimatise ourselves to the new system. Please note, you will not be able to top up dinner money until after half-term. All other payments will remain on School Gateway.

Councillors Battlemuch, Ahmad and Khan will be holding a parking consultation meeting here at Fernwood Primary in the junior hall on **Tuesday 7th November 17:30-18:30. If you are a resident and want to contribute your thoughts on the current scheme, then do come along.**

UNIFORM: With over 1100 children in school, it is very easy for uniform to get picked up by another child or to be placed somewhere and forgotten. Ensure your child's name is written/printed/sewn into every item. It's so much easier for it to find its way home!



Our Careers Week.

Huge thanks to everyone that came and supported us and gave their time to the children—it was a real success.



As you know, one of the many areas we teach your children about is **Relationships, Health and Sex Education (RHSE)**. These sessions are always taught in a sensitive and thoughtful way and entirely age and stage appropriate.

We share these resources at certain times of the year so you can see what we use. Some elements of these plans can also be found on our website: [Home> Our Curriculum> Whole School Curriculum Plan> RSHE](#)

Please do click the link below or scan the QR code so you can share your thoughts about our provision for this important area.

<https://forms.office.com/e/5xifcuSf31>



TERM DATES

AUTUMN 1—Fri 31st Aug to Fri 20th Oct

AUTUMN 2—Mon 6th Nov to Wed 20th Dec

SPRING 1—Thu 4th Jan to Fri 9th Feb

SPRING 2—Mon 19th Feb to Thu 28th Mar

SUMMER 1—Mon 15th Apr to Fri 24th May

SUMMER 2—Mon 3rd June to Fri 26th Jul

INSET DAYS

1: Thursday 31st August

2: Friday 1st September

3: Friday 6th October

4: Friday 24th May

5: Friday 5th July



UPCOMING EVENTS

20/10/23 Half-term break

30/10/23-01/11/23 Canoville Coaching football camp

06/11/23 Autumn 2 term begins

07/11/23 and 08/11/23 and 09/11/23 Y2 trip to a synagogue

07/11/23 Individual photos—bring your best smile!

09/11/23 Y6 Laurel class assembly

15/11/23 Y5/6 cross country competition

16/11/23 Y6 Willow class assembly

17/11/23 Children in Need

28/11/23 and 29/11/23 Flu vaccinations

28/11/23 Reception classes to St Leonard's church

30/11/23 Y6 Walnut class assembly

01/12/23 Elf Walk KS1 13:30-15:30

04/12/23 Y3/4 DISCO 18:15-19:45

05/12/23 Y5/6 DISCO 18:15-19:45

06/12/23 and 07/12/23 Y6 to Fernwood comp for sports festival

06/12/23 Nativity Bumblebees & Ladybirds

06/12/23 Foodbank collection

07/12/23 Nativity Butterflies, Dragonflies & Fireflies

07/12/23 Y5 Olive class assembly

11/12/23 Nursery Elf Walk and Sing

12/12/23 Y1 Sing Foxes & Otters 09:10-09:40

12/12/23 Y1 Sing Badgers, Squirrels & Hedgehogs 14:45-15:15

13/12/23 Y2 Sing Dolphins & Penguins 09:10-09:40

13/12/23 Y2 Sing Whales, Turtles & Seals 14:45-15:15

14/12/23 Y3 Sing Ash, Elm & Fir 09:00-09:30

14/12/23 Y3 Sing Oak & Yew 10:15-10:45

14/12/23 Y3 Christmas Party!

15/12/23 Y4 Sing Acer, Fern & Lime 09:00-09:30

15/12/23 Y4 Sing Palm & Pine 10:15-10:45

15/12/23 Y4 Christmas Party!

15/12/23 Lighthouse, Reception & Nursery Christmas Party!

18/12/23 Y6 Sing Damson, Laurel & Spruce 09:00-09:30

18/12/23 Y6 Sing Walnut & Willow 10:15-10:45

18/12/23 Y6 Christmas Party!

18/12/23 Y2 Christmas Party!

19/12/23 Y5 Sing Beech, Birch & Cedar 09:00-09:30

19/12/23 Y5 Sing Olive & Maple 10:15-10:45

19/12/23 Y5 Christmas Party!

19/12/23 Y1 Christmas Party!

20/12/23 Break up for Christmas

Spring term begins Thursday 4th January, 2024



Excellence for all

