

The Fernwood Flyer

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News and notices from Fernwood Primary and Nursery School.

Welcome back—a new academic year is here!

We hope you've had a lovely summer break. It's been great to see so many smiling faces come back to school. There is such a positive buzz around the classrooms and corridors; it's fabulous!

This first newsletter is just a reminder of term dates (over page) and a few notices. Do make sure you've logged in (or signed up) to your child's Class Dojo page. The teachers will post photos and news about what is happening in their classes. The School Story also has information for all families—this could be charities we support, reminders or links for you to access at home in order to support you further.

Each year group produces a curriculum newsletter every half-term. In this, there is key information, including dates, which give you an idea about what is being taught in each subject.

We have changed our approach to PE kit this year—you will have seen a letter from Mr Greenwood and posts on your child's Dojo page regarding this. Our PE kit is still part of our uniform so please make sure you read what your child should wear for these lessons. If you have some white t-shirts or polo shirts that your child no longer needs or fits into and they are in good condition, we would welcome them here at school. Please pass to your child's class teacher.

We have a really successful Careers Week in November and love members of our community to be involved. If you think you would like to share something of your role with the children, please see the link below.

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Another change for this year regards homework. We will not be sending out weekly homework this year. This does not mean that your children have no home-learning to do. Rather, we are focusing on reading, mathematical fluency and spelling. The more children read, the better they are at understanding texts; the more joy they take from reading and the wider their vocabulary grows. Read with your child as often as possible. Becoming fluent in maths, whether it's number bonds or times tables will help your child master maths quicker. If your child is interested in a particular topic, they can still produce something at home. Some of the best home-learning we've seen is where a child has been so enthused by what they've been learning at school, that they continue this at home and produce artwork, journals, poems and more.

We launched our new Fernwood Friend Values this week. Ask your children to see if they can remember them. **Friendship Respect Inclusion Enthusiasm Nurture Determination.** These values reflect what we want our children to know and show—they feed into everything we do and help us to demonstrate **excellence for all.**

Finally, if you have any questions or queries, please do ask us—we're happy to help. We're looking forward to the year ahead.



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DATES



EYFS/KS1 and KS2

Mon 2nd Sept—Term begins

Wed 11th Sept—Y6 meeting for Parents

Tue 17th Sept—Reception (F2) meeting for Parents

Wed 18th Sept—Y6 (Willow/Walnut) to Galleries of Justice

Thu 19th Sept—Y6 (Damson/Laurel/Spruce) to Galleries of Justice

Mon 23rd Sept—Y6 Bikeability begins

Tue 24th Sept—Y2 to the Comp for sports

Wed 25th Sept—Y2 to the Comp for sports

Mon 30th Sept—Y4 York meeting for Parents online

Wed 2nd Oct—Foodbank collection

Tue 8th Oct—Parents' Evening 1

Wed 9th Oct—Y4 (Acer/Fern) Roman Day

Wed 9th Oct—Parents' Evening 2

Thu 10th Oct—Y4 (Lime/Palm/Pine) Roman Day

Fri 11th Oct—History Day (whole school)

Mon 14th Oct—Come & Read Y1&Y5 15:10

Tue 15th Oct—Come & Read Reception & Y4 15:10

Wed 16th Oct—Come & Read Y2 & Y6 15:10

Thu 17th Oct—Come & Read Y3 15:10

Fri 18th Oct—Come & Read Nursery & Lighthouse

Fri 18th Oct—HALF-TERM

Mon 4th Nov—Term begins

Mon 4th Nov—Careers Week

Tue 5th Nov—Individual pupil photographs

Fri 8th Nov—Careers Day and Fair (dress up)

Fri 15th Nov—Children in Need

Wed 20th Nov—Flu vaccinations

Mon 2nd Dec—Y3/4 DISCO 18:15-19:45

Tue 3rd Dec—Reception Nativity

Tue 3rd Dec—Y5/6 DISCO 18:15-19:45

Tue 3rd Dec—Y6 to the Comp for sports

Wed 4th Dec—Reception Nativity

Wed 4th Dec—Y6 to the Comp for sports

Fri 6th Dec—ELF WALK for infants @Wollaton Park

Tue 10th Dec—Y1 Christmas Sing!

Wed 11th Dec—Nursery and Lighthouse Christmas Sing!

Thu 12th Dec—Y2 Christmas Sing!

Thu 12th Dec—Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas dinner.

Fri 13th Dec—Nursery Elf Walk (x2) Lighthouse Elf Walk in the afternoon

Mon 16th Dec—Y3 Christmas Sing!

Mon 16th Dec—Nursery/Lighthouse/Y3 Christmas Party!

Tue 17th Dec—Y4 Christmas Sing!

Tue 17th Dec—Reception & Y4 Christmas Party!

Wed 18th Dec—Y5 Christmas Sing!

Wed 18th Dec—Y1 & Y5 Christmas Party!

Thu 19th Dec—Y6 Christmas Sing!

Thu 19th Dec—Y6 & Y2 Christmas Party!

Fri 20th Dec—CHRISTMAS BREAK

Spring Term begins on Mon 6th January

If you want to subscribe to our calendar, the [LINK](#) is here—it will synchronise our dates with your own.

TERM DATES

AUTUMN 1—Mon 2nd Sept to Fri 18th Oct

AUTUMN 2—Mon 4th Nov to Fri 20th Dec

SPRING 1—Mon 6th Jan to Fri 14th Feb

SPRING 2—Mon 24th Feb to Fri 4th Apr

SUMMER 1—Tue 22nd Apr to Thu 22nd May

SUMMER 2—Mon 2nd June to Fri 25th Jul

INSET DAYS for academic year 2024/25

- o Thursday 29th August, 2024
- o Friday 30th August, 2024
- o Friday 4th October, 2024
- o Friday 23rd May, 2025
- o Friday 4th July, 2025

All other dates for the year on our calendar on the [website](#). [HOME](#)> [NEWS & EVENTS](#)> [CALENDAR](#)

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