



Newsletter

Week 5 – 22 - 05 - 25

F O R E W O R D



It has come to the end of our half term and even though it has been a short one, we have managed to cram in a lot.

There have been day trips, residentials, themed days, visits from professionals, Friends events, sporting matches and festivals and assessments of children's progress.

It is great to see such a variety of activities and experiences the children have received.

Thanks goes to many groups of people to make this happen...Our amazingly dedicated and hard working staff, our supportive parents and governors, our brilliant Friends and of course the most important of all, our children. Have a great week,

David Masters

U P D A T E S

Week Attendance:

National Target: 95% +
National Actual YTD: 95.1%

FCVS Infants: **93.2%**
FCVS Juniors: **94.8%**

- **First week back:**
Year 2 are going to Burnham Beeches on the Tuesday and there is a Junior Talent Show on the Friday afternoon. The deadline for Parent Governor Nominations will be the Thursday.
- **2025-26 INSET Days:**
Wednesday 3rd September
Monday 3rd November
Monday 5th January
Monday 23rd February
Friday 22nd May
- **Future Comms:**
Please remember we will be changing the way we provide comms. There will be a weekly reminder and upcoming events, a monthly newsletter and a half termly school improvement update.



Diary Dates

Key	
<p>This is a working document and will change over the year, therefore we use this colour key to show how updated versions are the same or different to previously sent.</p> <p>It is intended to be a list of events so they can be saved in diaries. Alternatively, you can subscribe to our online calendar using this link: https://farnhamcommonjunior.secure-primariesite.net/diary/grid/2024/01/</p>	
	What has stayed the same
	What is new
	What has been changed from previously stated
ED	An 'Event Details' document will be sent home

Date/Time	Event
Summer 2 2024-25 Monday 2nd June – Wednesday 23rd July	
Monday 2 nd June	School's Open Normal Time
Monday 2 nd June – Friday 13 th June	Year 4 Multiplication Test Window
Tuesday 3 rd June	Year 2 to Burnham Beeches
Thursday 5 th June	Meeting about Secondary Transfer Test and applying for secondary school – Year 5's
Thursday 5 th June	Deadline for Parent Governor Nominations
Wednesday 11 th June	KS2 Celebration of Work Year 3 to Year 6 ED
Thursday 12 th June	EYFS and KS1 Celebration of Work Nursery to Year 2 ED
Monday 16 th June – Friday 20 th June	Year 6 River Dart Residential
Wednesday 18 th June	Year 1 to Whipsnade Zoo
Tuesday 24 th June	New Reception Parents Meeting
Thursday 26 th June	New Year 3 Parents Meeting
Thursday 26 th June	Junior Clock Sports
Thursday 26 th June	New Classes Letters to Parents



Friday 27 th June	Sports Day ED
Tuesday 1 st July	Transition Day
Wednesday 2 nd July	Year 2 to The Lightbox
Tuesday 8 th July	Nursery Transition Afternoon
Wednesday 9 th July	Nursery Transition Afternoon
Tuesday 15 th July	Reports to Parents
Tuesday 15 th July	Year 4 to Oakwood
Tuesday 15 th July	Year 2 Show
Wednesday 16 th July	Year 6 Show - Afternoon
Thursday 17 th July	Year 6 Show - Evening
Wednesday 23 rd July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Wednesday 23 rd July	End of Year

Message from our Governors:

Governors at Farnham Common Village Schools.

The governing board of the Village schools consists of members of the school leadership, elected parents, and others from the community (known as co-opted governors). The role of the governor is to work with the school leadership to set the school's strategic direction, ensure high quality education, oversee the budget, and hold the head teacher accountable.

We have vacancies on the governing board for new parent governors, and this will require an election. If you are interested in being a governor, please nominate yourself, or reach out with questions to the co-chairs (cclawley@fcvs.co.uk; vharffey@fcvs.co.uk). Nominations are open now and close on Thursday, June 5th. More details can be found in the attached letter from the Head Teacher.

There are many reasons to volunteer to be a parent governor, and these can include making a difference to the local community, improving the lives of the children who attend the school, ensure voices are heard. It can be a rewarding experience, and for those looking for skills development can help build professional skills, and develop leadership skills.

We are also looking for a new Chair of the governing board as the current co-chairs' term is ending this academic year in August. We need a new Chair in place in September, and if you know anyone who would be interested, please contact us.

School Development:

In the future we will be sharing how we have and will be developing our schools through a half termly communication. In preparation for that time, our main priorities for next half term are continued training of staff in the teaching of phonics, with particular focus on Year 3 and SEND, transitions for all year groups, celebrating achievements we have had over the academic year, reporting attainment and progress of children and making sure we are ready for September, especially for Acorn Pre-School and Wrap Around Care.



Next Week's Menu

Week Two

W/C: 28/4, 2/6, 7/7

Meat Free Monday

V Macaroni Cheese with Mixed Vegetables
V Baked Potato with Grated Cheese & Baked Beans
All accompanied by carrot sticks and cucumber
Fresh Seasonal Fruit or Yoghurts (v)

Tuesday

GF BBQ Chicken Chunks Vg GF Rice & Peas
Vg BBQ Roasted Vegetables with Pitta Bread
V Baked Potato with Grated Cheese
All accompanied by a fresh seasonal salad
V Buttermilk Pancakes with Chocolate Sauce
or
Fresh Fruit

Wednesday

GF Roast Chicken Fillet Vg GF Roast Potatoes,
Seasonal Vegetables & V GF Gravy
Vg Vegan Sausage Roll, Vg GF Roast Potatoes,
Seasonal Vegetables & V GF Gravy
V Baked Potato with Grated Cheese
All accompanied by a fresh seasonal salad
Fresh Fruit Selection or Yoghurt (v)

Thursday

* Beet Burger & Bun with Ketchup
Vg Vegetable Burger & bun with Ketchup
Baked Beans
Vg Baked Potato with Beans
All accompanied by a fresh seasonal salad
V Strawberry Swirl Mousse
or
Fresh Fruit

Friday

^ Breaded White Fish Fillet Vg GF Oven Chips, & Peas
Vg Vegetable Samosa Vg GF Oven Chips & Peas
V Baked Potato with Grated Cheese
All accompanied with sliced cucumber salad
V Oreo Cookie Bar
or
Fresh Fruit

- Vegan Cheese is available upon request.
- A selection of Gluten free products are available upon request



Articles :

Walk to School Week:

Thank you to everyone who joined us on Wednesday for our walk to school from Burnham Beeches. The rain held off and it was a great way to start the day.



Numeracy Day:

Acorn shopped outside for a picnic with the toys. Year 1 spent time buying things at the funfair and learning about national numeracy day. Year 2 had fun shopping in Sparks and Feathers Nature Shop! They collected items for a magic potion and had £2 to spend. They had to calculate totals and change. Thank you very much to Mr Ince for organising.



Golfing Heroes!!

Harry Musk and James Sturrock represented Burnham Beeches Golf Club in their opening Golf Sixes fixture against other local clubs held at a tough Harewood Downs last Sunday. The duo managed to score the highest points of all the different pairs, and even managed a birdie on their last hole to help their side to win!



Reception Visit to the Library:

Beech and Chestnut visited the library last week walking sensibly along the main road. The aim of the visit was to bring a conclusion to our story “The Everywhere Bear”, who had lots of different adventures which ended up in the library.

On route the children talked to the accompanying adult about what they could see and hear to help us with our geography topic. They noticed lots of phonic sounds and tricky words along the way too!

Gunnar said “He really liked sharing the books and listening to Pam read”

Tommy said “I think it was quite good, I got to walk with my friend and mummy.”



AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Join our **Big Band Club** club
Every Friday 3.30 pm - 4.30 pm
At Farnham Common Junior School



- Boosts confidence and teamwork
- Opportunities to perform in school
- Play the keyboard, drums and guitar as a big band

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per session



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Improves memory and coordination

Builds confidence

Encourages teamwork

Sharpens concentration

Fosters creativity

Relieves stress



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