Friars Primary Foundation School

Dates for the Autumn term

New items in red

Newsletter

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Final message for 2019

So here we are at the end of the longest of terms. There have been many highlights since September such as the fantastic international week performances, Year 6 becoming engineers with Into University, and the strong sense of community we showed for Children in Need (one day, I will win the staff bake off!!). We are really proud of the vibrant and meaningful curriculum introduced this term and one of my favourite parts of writing the weekly newsletter is sharing children's learning with you which reflects our curriculum. We also introduced our new school values and it is heartening to see so many children living by those values every day. Next term we will be introducing a values award system to sit alongside our star of the week award.

Thanks must go to all the staff who work tirelessly to ensure your children's time at school is as positive as it can be. We would also like to thank all the parents for the generosity you have shown us with all the end of term gifts. We really do appreciate it!

There is still much to do, not least with improving our attendance and after a much needed break we will all be ready to tackle 2020!

However you celebrate the holiday I hope it is peaceful and you are surrounded by people you love. From all at Friars, we wish you a very merry Christmas!

Thought for the week:



Monday 6th January—INSET day

Tuesday 7th January—spring term starts for children; Y2 to start swimming lessons

Wednesday 8th January—six week Y4 girls' football course starts today (every Wednesday afternoon)

Thursday 9th January—Globe storytelling project for Years 1 and 2 starts today; Y1/2 parent workshop for Globe theatre storytelling project 2:15

Friday 10th January—CHILL project cognitive assessments today

Thursday 16th January—Meet the governors session for parents 7pm

Tuesday 21st January—Y2 Parent IMPACT workshop 9-10 (postponed from 4th December); Y1 to Museum of Childhood

Friday 24th January—Y4 sportshall athletics tournament

Wednesday 29th January—EYFS Parent IMPACT workshop 9am; Y5/6 road safety workshops

Friday 31st January—Hi5 Netball tournament @ GMH park

Wednesday 5th February – Parent open morning 9:10—10; Y5 to hockey tournament @ GMH park 10-2

Thursday 6th February—Y6 to Junior Citizenship event

Friday 7th February—YR and Y6 height and weight measurements

Tuesday 11th February—final Y2 swimming session

Wednesday 12th February—Y1 parent impact workshop 9-10

Monday 17th—Friday 21st February—half

Tuesday 25th February—Y3 start swimming **Wędnesday 26th February**—parent coffee morning

Monday 2nd March—Fire Brigade workshops with Y2 and Y5

Tuesday 3rd March—Y4 to Tate Britain **Tuesday 10th March**—Spring term parent consultations

Wednesday 11th March—Spring term parent consultations

Wednesday 25th March—Y3 parent IMPACT workshop, 9-10-

Have a lovely holiday!
Yours sincerely,
J. Burtt, Headteacher:

Attendance at Friars:

We end the term a fair way short of our whole school target of 97%. Nevertheless in assembly today we celebrated and recognised the 89 children across the school who have 97% and better attendance. Of those children, 34 have achieved 100% attendance. Well done to:

Y	'N	YR	Y1		Y2	
Ahmednur		Kamaya	Rayyan	Max		
Rayhana		Johnnie	Jaime	Rhema		
Vir	nnie	Oliver		J	ovie	
				А	dam	
Y3		Y4	Y 5	Y6		
Kamil	Eden	Alveena	Omar	Abigail	Art	Blin
Tyron	Peyton	Olivia	Josiah	Aisha	Gra	acie
Dylan	Kawsar	Sarah	Sokraya	TK	Georg	jia
Piper	Cavani		Rahaj			

Christmas performances:

We enjoyed lively, creative performances this week from all children across the school. EYFS/ KS1 shared their "Christmas recipe" and KS2 shared their version of Dickens' "Christmas Carol". Thank you to all those parents and family members who attended and enabled each other to enjoy the performances. In addition the children enjoyed their Christmas lunch yesterday and throughout the week they have had lots of class based Christmas activities and treats.



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Attendance

Our whole school attendance target is 97%!

This week's whole	Above or below?
85.58%	11.42% Below



	Class	ATTENDANCE
1st	6	90.74%
2nd	2	86.54%
3rd	4	86.31%
4th	5	85.83%
5th	R	85.33%
6th	3	85.19%
7th	1	80.17%

Punctuality

	Class	ON TIME
1st	5	99.58%
2nd	3 + 6	99.07%
3rd	4	97.62%
4th	R	97.28%
5th	1	97.41%
6th	2	97.12%
7th	-	-



Stars of the week



EYFS / KS1

All of Year 2

for working really hard all term and producing some fabulous work! Have a fantastic holiday and I will see you in 2020!

Well done!

KS2

All of Year 5

for being generally brilliant!

Well done!

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Commitment to keeping children safe:
Paper copies of our safeguarding policy
are available for parents from the school
office. It is also posted on the policies section of the website.

Assembly theme / value next week:

New Year

Achieving excellence in a happy, nurturing and safe environment

Compassion, Creativity, Endeavour, Resilience, Respect, Responsibility