

Newsletter

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Dates for Autumn term

New items in red

Health week at Friars:

We are pleased to let you know that after a forced break last year, we are able to run our annual health week again from Monday 12th July. Along with lots of opportunities for the children to develop their understanding of being healthy, we are also focussing on their well being this year.

Sponsored event: A letter was sent out earlier this week explaining that the children have chosen a charity and an event to raise money for it. They chose "Cancer Research" and the sponsored event they have chosen is circuit training around the playground.

First aid lessons: To help all children understand the principles and basics of First Aid, all classes will be having First Aid lessons throughout the week.

Smoothie bike: ISS, our caterers, will be bringing their smoothie bike into school on Thursday 15th. At the same time as getting some very healthy exercise, this contraption will generate enough energy to make healthy smoothies!

Sports day: Sports day will take place across Wednesday 12th July and Thursday 13th July. In order to keep social distancing in place and everyone's safety to the forefront, they will be held as follows:

Wednesday 14th July at GMH park:

- ♦ Y3 and 4: 10-11
- ♦ Y5 and 6: 11- 12

Thursday 15th July on the school playground:

- ♦ EYFS: 9:15—10:00
- ♦ Y1: 10:15—11
- ♦ Y2: 2:00—2:45

Parents will be able to attend but will need to maintain social distancing. Also at the school based sports day we will be operating a "respect" line which we will ask parents not to cross.

RSHE: Children from Y1 upwards will finish learning the two RSHE units, Families and Committed Relationships and Coping with Change, that they started this term.

Well Being: On Friday 16th all children will have the opportunity to relax and have fun where we provide lots of activities to promote their wellbeing. This will include face and nail painting, arts and craft activities, a bouncy castle, breathing and stretching exercises with Kenny (our Y3 TA who is also a qualified yoga teacher) and a barbecue lunch. All children are entitled to a barbecue lunch. If your child normally has packed lunch and they want the barbecue **please let us know by Monday 12th July**. Also if you do not want your child to have their face or nails painted please let the class teacher know before Friday 16th July.

Thought for the week:

"You can't use up
creativity. The more you
use, the more you have."

- Maya Angelou

Have a lovely weekend!

*Yours sincerely,
J. Burt, Headteacher:*

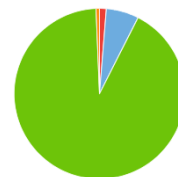
Children's learning at Friars:

Year 3's Art unit this half term is on textiles which coincides with their Geography unit on Rivers. They have explored images relating to rivers (in particular they looked at the work of Sarkasi Said, an artist from Singapore, who specialises in batik paintings) and they have used wax and watercolour to create a batik style artwork. In Geography they are learning about elements of a water cycle including how rivers are formed and they can explain the stages and features of a river's journey, using geographical vocabulary.



Attendance:

Attendance for the whole school this week is **92.33%**. Well done to **Y3** who are the best attending class this week with **95.77%**.



The green section of the pie chart shows the percentage of children who are in school.

If your child is off sick, please remember to ring the office rather than telling teachers collecting the class.

Stars of the week



EYFS / Y1—Y3

Y1—Halima

For always being kind and helpful around class and always having a smile on her face.

Y4-6

Y5—Sarah

For showing both maturity and kindness on this week's school trip

Well done!

Values stars

Compassion	Marvin—Y6
Creativity	Nora—Y1
Endeavour	Logan—Y2
Resilience	Daniel—Y3
Respect	Davion—Y4
Responsibility	Zak—Y5

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 sec-
tion of the website.

Our focus value for this half
term:

Creativity

Achieving excellence in a happy, nurturing and safe environment

Compassion, Creativity, Endeavour, Resilience, Respect, Responsibility