

## Newsletter

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Friday 24th September 2021



Dates for Autumn term

New items in red

**Wednesday 29th September**—PTA launch event 5:30pm

**Thursday 30th September**—open morning for prospective 2022 EYFS parents 9:30

**Tuesday 5th October**—flu vaccines

**Thursday 14th October**—open morning for prospective 2022 EYFS parents 9:30

**Thursday 22nd October**—final day of Au1.

**Monday 1st November**—first day of Au2

**Tuesday 9th and Wednesday 10th November**—autumn term parent consultations

**Thursday 11th November**—open morning for prospective 2022 EYFS parents 9:30

**Wednesday 17th November**—parent coffee morning 9am

**Thursday 2nd December**—open morning for prospective 2022 EYFS parents 9:30

**Friday 10th December**—final Y6 swimming session

**Friday 17th December**—final day of Au2

### New Parent Teacher Association (PTA) launch event:

Now that we are able to operate in almost the same way as before the pandemic, we are very keen as a school to get a brand new PTA up and running. If you are interested in becoming involved we will be holding an information session at 5:30 on Wednesday 29th September at the school. All parents of children currently attending the school are welcome to attend.

**Parent governor nominations:** The deadline for parent governor nominations has now passed and we are pleased to announce that there were two nominations for the two vacancies. This means that they are elected unopposed and there is no need for a ballot. Congratulations to **Jon Clay** (parent of Anastasia in Year 1) and **Fatime Hassan** (parent of Radiya in Year 5 and Faris in the Nursery) who are our two new parent governors.

**Year 4 cross country:** Year 4 led the way this week with our first visit off site this academic year. They took part in an inter school cross country tournament at Bacon's college. They did brilliantly and came 2nd overall. Ismat came 4th in the girl's race and Yaw came first in the boy's race. Both races had well over 50 runners in each coming from 7 schools.

**Harvest collection:** This week in assemblies we have linked our value of compassion to harvest festivals. We are inviting all families to make a donation of durable goods (tins, packets, long life food etc) to the school throughout next week. We will be taking what is donated to the homeless shelter on Webber Street. Thanks in advance for your contributions.

**Primary Science Quality Mark:** We are very pleased to announce that Friars has just been awarded the Primary Science Quality Mark. In applying for the award we were able to show how effective science leadership is having an impact on the quality of teaching and learning across the school for science. It is important to thank Miss McKenzie who is our science leader for all her hard work in developing science at Friars and for successfully applying to gain the award.



### Thought for the week:

Cast your bread on the waters: for you shall find it after many days.

—Ecclesiastes 11:1

Have a lovely weekend!  
Yours sincerely,  
J. Burt, Headteacher:

## Children's learning at Friars

Year 6 took our "learners as teachers" assembly yesterday. It was very interesting for us all to see the comparison between the Year 6 curriculum and the Year 1 and 2 curriculum from the previous week. It is also clear that they have learned a great deal over the past few weeks!



Like most year groups, Year 6's maths learning has focussed on cementing their understanding of place value. Unlike other year groups they have gone right up to being able to understand numbers up to 10 million. They shared with us, how to accurately write large numbers with commas and how to partition (ask your child what this means!) large numbers. They also helped the younger children understand how to solve word problems with bar models (try asking your children what bar models are too!)

In History, Year 6 are learning about World War 2. They shared with us the start and end date of the War, the events leading to war and the names and significance of Neville Chamberlain, Adolf Hitler and Winston Churchill.



Finally Year 6 shared with us their understanding of the books they have been reading in English. Goodnight Mr Tom is about evacuees during World War 2 and Hitler's canary is about the experience of Jewish children in Denmark in world war 2. It is so important that our children learn about this important part of history and are able to make comparisons with their own lives and those of children from different backgrounds in the war.

# Attendance



**Our whole school attendance target is 97%!**

This week's whole school attendance	below
<b>89.71%</b>	<b>7.29%</b>

	Class	ATTENDANCE
1st	6	95.26%
2nd	4	93.51%
3rd	5	92.34%
4th	1	92.4%
5th	3	90.75%
6th	2	85.59%
7th	R	78.57%

# Punctuality

	Class	ON TIME
1st	2	100%
2nd	4	99.46%
3rd	R	98.81%
4th	5	98.2%
5th	6	97.89%
6th	1	97.6%
7th	3	96.92%



# Stars of the week



## KS1

**Jana (Y2) for great work in maths using a place value chart**

## KS2

**Stephanie Z (Y3) for being so incredibly hard working. It is a joy to teach you!**

**Well done!**

## Values stars

Compassion	Masud Y4
Creativity	Hawra Y5
Endeavour	Alessa Y6
Resilience	Freddie Y1
Respect	Yacine Y2
Responsibility	Layla Y3

**Well done!**

## **Friars Primary Foundation School**

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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.

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Our focus value for this half term:

**Compassion**

**Achieving excellence in a happy, nurturing and safe environment**

***Compassion, Creativity, Endeavour, Resilience, Respect, Responsibility***



## **Friars Primary Foundation PTA information session**

We are keen to relaunch a Parent Teacher Association at Friars. If you are interested in becoming involved please come along to the information session. You will find out the benefits of having a PTA and how easy it is to set it up. You will also have the opportunity to ask questions.



*Wednesday September 29th 2021, 5:30 p.m.  
in the school hall.*

*All parents of children currently attending the school  
are welcome.*



## For Parents/Carers of children 5-19 years old at school in Southwark or Lambeth



Dear Parent/Carer,

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce the Evelina London School Nursing Service.

As a parent/carer of a child(ren) at school you may be worried about your child's health and wellbeing and be unsure about how to get the help you need.

School nurses are here to help, we work in teams across Southwark and Lambeth and you can contact us for confidential advice and support on a wide range of issues.

Please let us know if your child has medical or physical and/or emotional health needs that they need support with.

We are able to discuss your child's needs and see children:

- Face to face in school
- Face to face in a health centre
- Text
- Telephone
- Virtually
- Home visit

**For advice and support please contact the School Nursing Service:**

**Text:** If you need advice or support regarding your child, you can confidentially text a school nurse on **07520 631 130**. Texts will only be seen Monday to Friday, 9am-5pm (excluding bank holidays).

You can find out more on [w: www.evelinalondon.nhs.uk/parentline](http://www.evelinalondon.nhs.uk/parentline)

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**If you are a parent or carer**

We aim to reply to you within one working day and you should get an immediate message back to confirm we have received your text.

**You can text a school nurse on**

**07520 631 130**

If you need help before you hear back from us, contact your GP, nearest walk-in centre or dial 111.

**Telephone:** You can call the School Nursing Central Hub: **tel: 020 3049 4777**, Monday to Friday, 9am-5pm (excluding bank holidays).

**In an emergency, call 999 or go to your local Emergency Department (A&E)**

### Your information

We might inform someone if we are concerned about your child's safety, or the safety of someone else, but we would usually try to speak to you first.

Your information is stored on secure electronic records and can be seen by other healthcare staff who follow the same confidentiality rules.

**The School Nursing Service can**

**assist with:**

**Support with managing medical needs in schools**

**Bedwetting**

**Sleep**

**Emotional health and wellbeing**

**Weight management**

**Immunisation advice**  
[www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/)

**Healthy lifestyle**

**Keeping safe**

**Puberty and relationships**

# Family Food Experience Study

## Help us understand children's eating habits

NatCen Social Research is inviting you to express an interest in taking part in the Family Food Experience study that we are conducting on behalf of City, University of London.

## What are we looking for?

We are looking for families with primary school aged children (aged 4–11 years old) to take part in this study to help us understand how and what children are eating. We would like one adult in your household to complete an interview.

## Do I get anything for taking part?

As a thank you for taking part, you will receive a £30 Love2Shop voucher which can be spent at many online and high street shops. At the end of the study we will also give you some top tips about children's eating.

## What happens if I am selected to take part?

If you register your interest and are selected to take part, you will receive a letter in the post in the next few months. An interviewer from NatCen Social Research will then contact you to arrange a convenient time for you to complete the interview. You can choose whether they visit you at home or call you to complete the interview over the phone. This visit or call will last about 60 minutes during which the interviewer will ask you some questions about your family life, your child's eating habits and their food likes and dislikes.

**We are working in line with the Government guidance to minimise the risk of COVID-19 transmission and ensure that we keep you and our interviewers safe.**

## Why should I take part?

By taking part, you will help us understand how and what children are eating and provide important information to help create a healthier nation. This information will be used by the Government and local authorities to improve the health of children.

## What if English is not my first or preferred language?

We really want to hear from you even if English is not your first or preferred language. If you would like to take part, but need some help with the interview, a friend or family member can translate the interview for you whilst the interviewer is there.

## Who is carrying out the survey?

City, University of London has asked NatCen Social Research to carry out the survey, with funding from the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR). NatCen is Britain's largest independent social research agency. To find out more you can visit [natcen.ac.uk](http://natcen.ac.uk).



## How can I register?

To register your interest in this study please visit [survey.natcen.ac.uk/FFE21](http://survey.natcen.ac.uk/FFE21)

by 31st December 2021. If you prefer, you can also call on Freephone 0800 652 4568.

**When you register, we ask that you please provide:**

- the name of the school your child(ren) attends
- your name
- your address, telephone number, email address
- the sex, age and ethnicity of the primary school aged children in your household.

For more information please visit [www.natcen.ac.uk/familyfood](http://www.natcen.ac.uk/familyfood). We hope you are willing to take part in this vital research and thank you for your time.