

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a wonderful first half term to this academic year. The children are doing well with their learning which I am sure you enjoyed hearing all about during your parent interview appointments.

FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE The Year 2 children had the experience of meeting "Florence Nightingale". Florence talked to Year 2 about her life experiences and the children asked amazing and insightful questions. This visit enhanced the children's already rich topic knowledge.



HARVEST

The children performed so beautifully in their Harvest Festival performances and were so proud to sing for you all. We are looking forward to so many more performances throughout the year. Your donations to the Runnymede Foodbank were so generous and gratefully received.







BOOK WEEK

Although every week at school is special, we do love a themed week and Book week has been no exception.

The children had even more reading opportunities than usual with having stories read to them by teachers of their choice, by swapping books and reading to each other across the year groups. Reading is the gateway to the universe so we relish any opportunity to pack even more reading into our curriculum. There's nothing quite like a pyjama day - for the second year we are supporting poorly children in hospital over Christmas through a gift of some lovely new pyjamas. Your donations have been so generous. We have actual pyjamas and £220 which Mrs Quirk and I will be able to buy a pyjama treat for children who are struggling with their health.





Children created their own story books

The children loved learning their class poem and recited them so beautifully with fluency and prosody. It is such an important skill to be able to memorise and articulate.







LIBRARY VISIT

The children were such ambassadors for our school when they visited Virginia Water library on Tuesday - it was great to hear such positive comments from the library staff as to the politeness and positive engagement of our children. Margaret is looking forward to seeing us next year already. Thank you for all the parents who helped us walk to the library - without you we would not have been able to take the children.



BOOGIE FOR BOOKS

"Boogie for books" is always a favourite event - the children's dance moves range from shy to confident and then well "Strictly" ish. Thank you for all your sponsorship which will enable us to purchase so many more books for the children to enjoy and learn from.

FOTG

Thank you to the FOTG who organised the Friday tuck shop-family's donations were very delicious. We have had the FOTG Annual General Meeting and the committee as ever are busy arranging the year ahead with exciting and creative fundraising opportunities. The committee work so hard for the benefit of everyone's children. We have provisional plans for spending the monies raised and as soon as we start to purchase we will not only let families know through newsletters but also begin our new photo diary on the windows of Reception.





PARKING

Resources are so stretched it seems in all aspects of public life including perhaps the police. We have been fortunate to have a police presence at points this half term which did encourage more sensible parking around the school. I hope that this will continue even on the days where police are monitoring other schools.

FOREST SCHOOL

We will be finalising the arrangements for Forest Schools over half term and will be in contact after the holiday to share details. Provisional dates are Monday 20th November for Year 2 and Monday 4th December for Year 1. If any of you wish to help by walking us to the Forest perhaps save the date. The children will definitely need wellingtons and waterproof clothing such as waterproof trousers or a puddle suit so if you do not have these maybe in half term you can either purchase or arrange to borrow and share with each other. The first session for Reception will be in the Spring term. Please do not worry all children will have equal opportunities.

Wishing you all a lovely half term and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday 30th October.

Best wishes

Sarah Morris and all the Trumps Green team





CALENDAR

EVENT	DATE	TIME
AUTUMN TERM 2023		
HALF TERM	Monday 23 October - Friday 27 October	
AUTUMN TERM ENDS	Friday 15 December	1.15 pm
SPRING TERM 2024		
INSET DAY (School closed)	Tuesday 2 January	
SCHOOL STARTS	Wednesday 3 January	9.00 am
HALF TERM	Monday 12 February - Friday 16 February	
SPRING TERM ENDS	Thursday 28 March	1.15 pm
EASTER HOLIDAYS	Friday 29 March - Friday 12 April	
SUMMER TERM 2024		
INSET DAY (School closed)	Monday 15 April	
SCHOOL STARTS	Tuesday 16 April	9.00 am
BANK HOLIDAY (School closed)	Monday 6 May	
INSET DAY (School closed)	Friday 24 May	
HALF TERM	Monday 27 May - Friday 31 May	
SCHOOL STARTS	Monday 3 June	9.00 am
SUMMER TERM ENDS	Tuesday 23 July	1.15 pm







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AUTUMN TERM 2023		
HALF TERM	Monday 23 October - Friday 27 October	
Remembrance Assembly (no parents)	Friday 10 November	
Forest school - Y2	Monday 20 November	
FOTG Christmas movie event	Saturday 25 November	
Remembrance Assembly (no parents)	Monday 4 December	
Forest school - Y1	Monday 4 December	
Christmas Play - YEAR 2	Monday 11 December	9:20 AM
Christmas Play - YEAR 2	Tuesday 12 December	9:20 AM
Christmas Play - YEAR 1	Tuesday 12 December	10:15 AM
Christmas Play - YEAR 1	Wednesday 13 December	9:20 AM
Christmas Play - RECEPTION	Wednesday 13 December	10:15 AM
Christmas lunch/Christmas jumper day	Thursday 14 December	
Learning sharing for parents - all	Thursday 14 December	2:30 PM
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