Frithwood News



A super week in school, I feel very fortunate to be the Headteacher at Frithwood with such a great community around me.

Our new Nursery and Reception children have settled wonderfully into school life this week. They are becoming rapidly used to the routines and are enjoying their learning. I am gradually learning all their names. A warm welcome to all our new starters this week.



Each year I share with you how I am very lucky that many of the staff are willing to provide a range of voluntary clubs for the children at lunchtime or after school. There is no requirement for the staff to do this and they are not paid for this. This demonstrates the Frithwood staff commitment to giving up their own time to support your children having fun in pursuing hobbies and interests. The full clubs list is at the end of this newsletter with the link to sign up.

The half termly learning overviews for each year group are on the school website in Curriculum and Learning tab. Please take time to locate these and enjoy supporting your child's learning over the next half term; especially useful when they tell you they do nothing at school!

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Saunders

PROMOTING EXCELLENT MANNERS AT FRITHWOOD







At Frithwood, we are committed to nurturing a kind, respectful, and considerate school community. Over the coming academic year, we will be placing a strong focus on promoting excellent manners across the whole school. Good manners—such as using "please" and "thank you," listening carefully, holding doors open, and saying sorry when needed—help everyone feel valued and respected, creating a positive environment for all.

To launch our initiative, we will be having a week focussed on excellent manners. During the week of Monday 15th September, staff will be recognising children who demonstrate excellent manners throughout the school day. While expectations in the classroom remain the same, with children earning their Dojos for positive behaviour and learning, additional recognition will be given for excellent manners around school—at breaktime, lunchtime, and at the start and end of the day. Children who are noticed using excellent manners in these times will receive a **green ticket**, which will be placed in their class box. On Friday 19th September the class with the most tickets will enjoy a class-wide reward.



In addition to this we have made a change to our weekly **Celebration Assembly**. In this assembly, certificates will be awarded to two children in each class who have demonstrated *Excellence in Learning* or *Excellent Manners*.



All the children will also have the opportunity to

earn one of our brand-new shiny stickers as a special recognition of any extra

effort made in using good manners or in their learning during the course of the year.

We hope this initiative will inspire our pupils not only throughout this academic year but also beyond, helping them grow into considerate, respectful, and responsible members of the school and the wider community.

PERMISSION FOR CHILDREN IN YEARS 5 AND 6 TO WALK HOME FINAL REMINDER

There is a form on the Jotter to complete if you would like to give permission for your child to walk home. Please complete this form even if you have previously given permission.

SCHOOL POLICIES

The following policies have been updated and are available on the school website in the Key Information Tab – Policies

- Behaviour Policy
- Home School Communication Policy

Please take time to read these policies and refresh your memory.

MEET THE TEACHER!

Our Meet the Teacher meetings next week will take place at **2.50pm not 2.40pm** as stated on last week's newsletter.



The purpose of these meetings is so that you can hear an overview of the weekly routines and timetable in the class. <u>The gates/doors will open just before 2.50pm.</u>

Meetings for children in Y1 and 2 will take place in their classrooms – please enter through the classroom door from the playground.

For meetings for children in Y3, 4, 5, 6 please enter the school building using the steps by the Jubilee Building/Y3 classrooms.

Parent meetings will be held at 2:40pm				
Monday 15 th September	Year 3 and Year 4			
Wednesday 17 th September	Year 1 and Year 2			
Thursday 18 th September	Year 5 and Year 6			

PE DAYS AUTUMN TERM 2025



Monday	Year 1	
Tuesday	Year 6	Reception and Year 5 swimming
Wednesday	Year 3	Year 2
Thursday	Year 4	Year 5

PUPIL PREMIUM

We would like to make you aware that you can check if your child is entitled to Free School Meals by visiting the website https://pps.lgfl.org.uk/

If you believe you may be eligible, please complete the online check and download the certificate. Once you have the certificate, kindly share it with the school office

Even if your child is in **Reception, Year 1 or Year 2** and already receives a free meal under the **Universal Infant Free School Meal scheme**, it is still important to check eligibility. This is because the school receives additional **Pupil Premium funding** for every eligible child. This funding allows us to provide extra support, resources, and opportunities to benefit your child and the wider school community.

Pupil Premium funding is not just linked to Free School Meal entitlement – children may also be eligible if:

- A parent is currently serving in the armed forces
- A child has been adopted, or is under special guardianship, residence, or care arrangements

We would be very grateful if you could take a few minutes to check and apply, as it directly benefits both your child and the whole school.

If you need any help with the process, please contact the school office.

BOOKS FOR THE LIBRARY

We are currently on the lookout for bilingual books, or books in other languages for our library. We are also looking for any non-fiction texts in good condition. If you are having a clearout and have anything suitable, any donations would be very gratefully received.



SCHOOL COUNCIL



Our School Council helps with decision making, fund raising and is the voice of the Frithwood children.

All children in Years 1-6 are invited to make a short presentation speech about why they would like to be on our School Council for the next year. Speeches will be heard in class next week. The children will then vote on Election Day on Wednesday 24th September 2025.

If you would like to be considered for this role then prepare your speech and have a little think about what you would like to offer!

Extra-Curricular Clubs 2025 - 2026

Club	Year group	Staff	Day	Time	Location
Lego	Year 3 / 4	Ms Chadda	Monday	12:30	4C
Drawing	Year 5	Mrs Sidhu	Monday	12:30	5S
Eco Club	Year 6	Mrs Wilkey	Friday	12:30	Buttercups
Coding Club	KS1 / KS2	Ms Emina	Thursday	12:30	Library
Drawing Club	Year 1 and Year 2	Mrs Dhaliwal	Thursday	12:30	1D
Junior Choir	Year 1 and Year 2	Ms Lai	Wednesday	12:30	2L
Dance	Year 1 and Year 2	Mrs Matthews	Thursday	12:00	Nursery
Dance	Year 3, 4 and 5	Mrs Nockles	Tuesday	12:30	
Quiet Club (Sewing & crafts)	Year 3 and Year 4	Mrs Dickins	Friday	12:30	Library
Debating	Year 5 and Year 6	Mrs Dickins	Wednesday	12:30	Library
Choir	KS2	Mrs George	Friday	12:30	4G
Football	Year 5 and 6 (by invitation)	Mr Cerny	Wednesday	3:30 – 4pm	Field
Netball	Year 6	Miss Hutchinson	Wednesday	3:30 – 4pm	Playground
Hama Beads	Year 2	Mrs Bryant	Wednesday	3:30 – 4pm	
Story Club	Year 1 and	Miss	Friday	12:30	1H
	Year 2	Heracleous			
Board Games	Year 5 and Year 6	Mr Tidd	Thursday	12:30	5T
Match Pro Tennis	Reception, Yr 1, Yr 4 and Yr 5	Match Pro external paid Club	Monday	Before school	Playground
PSD Football	1 and 2	External paid club	Monday	After school	Field
Rocksteady	All year groups	External paid club	Wednesday	All day	Jubilee
PSD Football	3 - 6	External paid club	Tuesday	After school	Field
Match Pro Tennis	Year 2	Match Pro external paid Club	Tuesday	Before school	Playground
PSD Street Dance	3 - 6	External paid	Thursday	After school	Jubilee
Match Pro Tennis	Year 2 and	Match Pro	Thursday	Before school	Playground
	Year 3	external paid			
Match Pro Tennis	Year 6	Match Pro external paid	Friday	Before school	Playground

Click here to register for your clubs.

This link will close at 9am on Wednesday 17th September.