



## Frieth Primary School

### NEWSLETTER

*Let Your Light Shine!*

*Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2025*

Welcome to the start of a new academic year, and a special greeting to all who are joining our school community for the first time. I'm delighted to share that the first full week of term has been a great success and the children have quickly settled into their routines and are already beginning to 'Let Their Light Shine!

As many of you know, a great deal of exciting work took place over the summer, including the creation of a brand-new classroom to support our move to single form entry. I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to Noah and Rowan's dad, Ben, who took on the project and went above and beyond to ensure it was completed on time and to an exceptional standard. I would also like to thank the rest of the classroom committee, and in particular Luca and Clara's mum, Ana, who put in a huge amount of effort behind the scenes to get the project off the ground. A special thank you must also go to the PTA who, as I mentioned at Summer Queen, contributed generously towards making this project possible. We really are so fortunate to have such wonderfully supportive parents. The Year 6 children (and their teachers!) are thoroughly enjoying 'the best classroom in the school' and every child will have the opportunity to benefit from it once they reach Year 6.

Please see below some key reminders as we start the school year:

#### Uniform

We kindly ask that children come to school each day wearing the correct uniform. The uniform requirements are as follows:

- School sweatshirt / plain royal blue cardigan / jumper
- White or pale blue polo shirt
- Black or grey skirt or trousers
- Plain white, grey or black socks/ black tights
- Black low-heeled shoes sandals without open toes

#### P.E Kit

- **Plain** T-shirt with school logo or plain white T-shirt
- Royal blue or navy shorts
- Trainers or plimsolls

- Plain royal blue or navy sweatshirt and jogging bottoms

***Please ensure that no logos are worn other than the official school logo.***

#### Jewellery

The only jewellery children are permitted to wear is plain stud earrings. Children should be able to remove these themselves for PE. If a child has newly pierced ears, they must cover the earrings using surgical tape only, which must be provided from home.

#### Hair

Long hair should be tied back in school colours.

#### Snack

The children's snack should be a piece of fruit or vegetable to have at break time. This is provided by the school for all of KS1.

#### Attendance

For every child to achieve their full potential, excellent school attendance is vital. We expect all children to maintain a high level of attendance, as missing school directly impacts progress and learning. To encourage this, we award a weekly cup to the class with the best attendance, and children who achieve full attendance each term receive special certificates. If your child's attendance falls below the expected standard, the school will contact you formally, and further action may be taken if necessary.

**Please also do your upmost to arrange medical and dental appointment after the school or during school holidays.**

#### Meet the Teacher

Owls 'Meet the Teacher' meeting will take place on the 19<sup>th</sup> September after the Welcome Service which starts at 9:15am. After church, Owls' parents will be invited back to the School for coffee and biscuits kindly provided by our PTA. A member of the PTA and our Chair of Governors will also give a short presentation. Afterwards Mrs Goodchild will deliver her Meet the Teacher talk.



For those of you who are new to our school, I would like to share our school vision, 'Let Your Light Shine'. This is rooted in the teachings of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount from the Gospel of Matthew. It inspires our children to show the world how wonderful they are through the values and good character they display, as well as their unique qualities and talents. It also reminds us to celebrate what makes each child special and unique.

### Bake Sale

Massive well done to Willow-May, Tabby, Isla, Bluebell and Millie who let their light shine by organising a bake sale during the school holidays! Their hard work and kindness raised money for the PTA - what a super effort!



### Free School Meals

Many families are struggling at the moment. If you have found yourself in a difficult financial situation, you may be able to claim some additional support for your child in school. Pupil Premium funding is given to any child whose family have been disadvantaged financially. The good news is that your child may be eligible for free school meals for the duration of their time with us. For more information on whether you may be eligible please refer to the Pupil Premium attachment.

## Join the PTA!



### PTA News

Please [click here](#) for the PTA Autumn newsletter and details of how to order your complimentary tickets (including food) for the upcoming PTA Family Social on 3rd October.

### Key PTA dates

AGM, School Hall 7pm - 24th Sept  
Welcome Back Frieth Family Social - 3rd Oct  
Frieth Hilly - 12th Oct  
Pre-loved Clothes sale - 15th Oct  
Spooky Disco - 24th Oct  
Christmas Fair & Santas Grotto - 6th Dec

We raised an incredible £26,000 last academic year. The money raised goes in to enriching the learning for all Frieth School children! Thank you to everyone who helped us achieve an incredible result.

If you are able to help at any of the above events, please contact [pta@friethschool.co.uk](mailto:pta@friethschool.co.uk) or Alex Bruce on 07733 331865.

## Frieth Hilly

### 10k & 5k run

The Frieth Hilly is back and this year will take place on Sunday 12th October. This event raises a significant amount for the school and relies heavily on volunteers from our community. Hopefully you'll have seen the signage and banners up around the local area.

If you're not involved on the day I'd encourage you to sign up to the 5k or 10k run as it's a great way to support the school and improve your fitness! I'll definitely be dusting off my running trainers and giving it my best shot again!

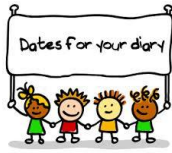
There will also be another Mini Hilly for the children to take part in during the school week before the event, more detail to follow.

A huge thanks to Tom Vian, Amy Douglas, Simon Bryant, Matt Powell and Adam Boyden, who are once again leading the event, for all their hard work.

### ATTACHMENTS

#### WILD CHURCH

#### Pupil Premium Funding Application



All school dates can also be found on the school website. New dates in red

Mon 15th Sep:	Buzzards Meet the Teacher
Tues 16th Sep:	Hawks Meet the Teacher
Wed 17th Sep:	Ospreys Meet the Teacher
Thurs 18th Sep:	Kestrels Meet the Teacher
Frid 19th Sep:	Kites Meet the Teacher
Frid 19 <sup>th</sup> Sep:	Service of Welcome – New Owls 2025 9.15am followed by Meet the Teacher
Tues 23rd Sep:	Eagles Meet the Teacher
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct:	Eagles/CRS River Dart Team Calls 4.30pm (more information to follow) *new date*
Weds 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct:	School Photographer (individuals/siblings)
Frid 3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct:	School Nursing Team (Flu – whole school) more information to follow
Frid 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct:	Harvest Service – 9.30am
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> &	
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct:	Parents Evening – 4pm (more information to follow)
Frid 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct:	Break up 3-3.15pm
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov:	Back to school