

Frieth Primary School NEWSLETTER Let Your Light Shine!

Friday 6th June 2025

I hope you enjoyed the half term break and children are feeling refreshed and ready for the final half term of the year! Let's keep our fingers crossed for some warmer weather over the next few weeks especially with sports day on the horizon!

School Trip Payments

Whilst school trip payments are voluntary, just to make your aware that when these are not paid the money comes out of the school budget; two recent class trips had a total outstanding amount of over £500. The PTA have kindly been reimbursing outstanding payments, however, as you can imagine, this is not sustainable. I understand that some families may not be a position to donate, but if you are able to make the voluntary payment, then please do.

Great School Run

We had an amazing turnout for The Great School Run at Stonor Park a few weeks back. Our students gave it their all, and we were incredibly proud of all of them for running the challenging uphill course. We had three students step up onto the podium, with Olivia Nicholson coming first place in the Year 3 girls' race, Harry Bryant coming second place in the year 5 boys' race and Charlie Douglas coming third in the reception boys' race.



Netball

Our Year 5 team put in a great effort in their match against Holy Trinity. We didn't get the win this time, but the team showed lots of spirit, worked well together, and kept going right to the end.

Well done to Harry Bryant, our Player of the Match, for a brilliant performance as Goal Defence. His interceptions and determination really stood out – he did a great job keeping the pressure on!



Kites Trip

Kites had an incredible learning experience at the Connell's farm. They looked at the crops and discussed what foods they make and learnt about the machines that plant the seeds and harvest the crop. They also met some chicks, collected eggs then went to watch some sheep being sheared in Wheeler End. An action-packed couple of hours! A huge thanks to Bella for giving up her time and providing the children with such a wonderful and memorable opportunity.



Buzzards Trip

Linking to their science last term, Buzzards had a fabulous visit to the Lady Ryder Memorial Garden. While they were there, the children enjoyed planting sunflower seeds and learning about everything that is needed to help plants grow. They also loved exploring the garden and of course testing some of the produce!



Frieth Village Society

Recently, Claire Sanders (Chair of the PTA and Frieth resident) and I attended the Frieth Village Society AGM. One of topics for discussion was the Community Speed Watch (CSW). I am aware that the perception among the parent community is that this initiative is targeting school parents, and with it taking place during the school run times. I fully understand this view. Claire and I were able to share this at the meeting and were reassured this is not the case and their motivation was entirely to keep the village safe and the CSW would be looking to run it at different times of the day if volunteers' schedules allow. Following the meeting, David House (Frieth Village Society Chair) contacted me to see if any parents wanted to join the CSW initiative to join their group to gain first-hand experience and help to bridge the resident and parent communities. Any interested parents can contact the group via speedwatch@fvs.org.uk

Frieth Village Society have also asked if any there are any volunteers that would be willing to support the Frieth Village Fete on 31st August by manning a stall for an hour. If so, they can get in touch with David House at <u>chair@fvs.org.uk</u>.

It would be great to see some families volunteer and help build the relationship with the Frieth residents. It is always important that a school has a positive relationship with all members of the local community, but this is especially important in a small village with a growing school.

Smartphone Free Childhood

Please find attached the results to the Marlow-wide survey on Smartphones which was sent out a few months ago. Thank you to those parents who have contributed to the survey and I'm sure you agreed the results are an interesting read.

Just a reminder here is the <u>link</u> to the parent pact. You may also be interested to see the Buckinghamshire link to the pact <u>here</u>

Walking Bus

Just a reminder, every Tuesday we have a walking bus from Lane End. Following parent feedback, Amanda is now taking a more direct route so you should be at school in good time!

As always, you can meet at **Morrisons** in Lane End at 7:55am or join the walk from Ditchfield Cottages at 8:05am or the footpath entrance Moor Common at 8:10am.

Amanda is also keen to start a WhatsApp group for the walking bus. If you would like to join the group please email Amanda on <u>amandajhopkins58@gmail.com</u> and she will add you. Thanks!

Attachments

"Wild Church". 3pm Sunday 8th June at the Lady Ryder Memorial Garden

Perform Flyers

Frieth Cricket

Lacey Farm Open Day

Marlow Smart Phones



All school dates can also be found on the school website. New dates in red. PTA Events in blue. Sport fixtures in green

Wed 11th June: Kestrels Class Trip to Beale Park W/c 16th June: Sports Week Frid 20th June: Sports Day W/c 23rd June: Year 6 Residential - River Dart Thurs 26th lune: Buzzards Class Trip to Brooklands Museum Frid 27th June: Hawks Class Assembly - 2.30pm Tues 1st July: Transition Dav 3rd-4th July: Year 6 Bikeability Training W/c 7th July: **Owls Class Balance ability** Thurs 10th July: Buzzards Class - Connells Farm Frid 11th July: Summer Queen Wed 16th JULY: Owls Class Assembly - 2.30pm Frid 18th July: Leavers Service - 9.30am Wed 23rd July: Break up - 1pm