

FURZEDOWN PARENTS NEWSLETTER



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Sports news

Well done to the Athletics team who came first in their heats last week. Well done!

Plogolution

Furzedown have joined the Plogolution. Each week a group of Year 5 children are taking time out of their lunch break to combine fitness with clearing the local roads of rubbish. We made a positive start this week filling 14 bags of general rubbish and recyclables and will be updating our stats each week to the school plogging data online.

Swimming

We welcome parents coming to watch at the end of term and we welcome the opportunity for the children to show off their skills in the last session.

The younger children can be distracted by an audience so we would encourage you to come to the final session rather than every week.

Could you please make sure your child has a warm hat on swimming days as well so that wet hair is covered on the journey back and in the play-ground.

Please do remember to send in your swimming contributions. Many Thanks

Christmas fair

Thank you to all children and parents who came to our successful Christmas Fair. We raised £730.47 which will be split between the London Air Ambulance and the school we support in Uganda.

Building Works

The builders are making great progress with the junior toilets and we hope to have this up and running before the end of the term. Ms McDowall is doing a great job of looking after the building maintenance tasks.

Welham Road

The security gate is only open for Graveney teachers. DO NOT attempt to drive down Welham Road to drop off or pick up. There was a near miss this morning that will be reported to the police. We all need to keep the children safe.

Topics

Nursery	Rhyme time and tell me a story
Reception	Curious creatures
Year 1	Adventures from Africa
Year 2	Journey to Tokyo
Year 3	The Romans-The Empire Strikes Back
Year 4	Secrets of Ancient Egypt
Year 5	Ages through Pages.
Year 6	Mysteries of the Nile

Market stall

Every Monday, after school, outside the cookery unit, there will be a sale of produce.

The school have bought into a scheme **Fair Share** that redistributes food that would otherwise have been disposed of.

School streets consultation events.

29th January

Meet and chat in school hall

2:30-3:30 for parents

5-6:30 for residents

3rd February

Map and Chat coffee morning 8:40am

In the staffroom.

Children not picked up at 3:00pm

School ends at 3:00pm and we expect them to be picked up when they finish.

1. If you know you are running late please phone the office as soon as possible before 3:00 to let us know.
2. If there are no other options; in an emergency we will provide emergency childcare at a cost of £20 for the session.
3. If you have not phoned we will phone you and if we cannot get through we will phone your emergency contact numbers.
4. If we still get no response from any numbers we will start phoning Social Services and the police at 4:40pm so that the social workers can arrange emergency foster care.

Older, sensible children (9+) can walk home by themselves as long as an adult is there to supervise them when they get home. Please let the teachers know you are allowing them to do this.

Hospital/dental appointments

Please bring children into school before and after appointments whenever possible to get their attendance mark.

Food Bank

Thank you for your donations. We are still collecting food for the food bank in the box in the foyer.

Keeping warm and dry

Waterproof coats.

As it gets damper and colder please make sure your child has a waterproof coat and warm layers in school every-day.

Shoes and boots

If children come to school in wellingtons please send them in with shoes to change in to so they are comfortable in class.

Outgrown Wellingtons

If you do have any wellingtons that your child has outgrown we will be delighted to take them off your hands.

Shows Spring 20

Entry to shows is a contribution of at least £1 per person. This goes towards subsidising the costumes and stage set. Thank you in advance.

Year 4	Egypt	12 th February 2:00pm 6:00pm 13 th February 11:00am
Year 1	Africa	31 st March 11:00am 2:00pm 1 st April 9:30am

We are putting on more shows so that everyone has a chance to watch their child.

As you know we have limited space so please **do not** bring children to the evening performances. All children get a chance to see the performances in school time.