

Farnham Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Easter Egg Decorating Competition

This year, we will have our annual Easter Egg decorating competition on Thursday 28th March. The last day for entries to be in school is Wednesday 27th March.

Winners will be announced in the whole school assembly on Thursday 28th March and posted on the website. Please get decorating and start to bring your entries in the last week of term in the week commencing the 25th March 2024.

REMEMBER – the egg must be hard boiled and please put your child's name and class onto the decoration.

Statutory Assessment Tests - dates

Here are the dates for the statutory tests taking place this year.

| Monday 13th May - | Year 6 KS2 SATS | Please help your child revise maths, English and |
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| Thursday 17th May | | grammar, punctuation and spelling. |
| Monday 3 rd June (2 weeks) | Year 4 Multiplication tables check | Please help your child learn their times tables. |
| Monday 10 th June - | Year 1 Phonics | Please help your child learn their phonic sounds |
| Friday 15 th June | Screening Check | |

Please encourage your children to read everyday! Research shows that children who read or share lots of books make accelerated progress in all areas of the curriculum. Reading sparks your child's imagination and stimulates curiosity. It helps develop your child's brain, ability to focus, concentration, social skills and communication skills. So let's keep reading ...

Non School Uniform Day

We will have a non-uniform day on the last day of term - Thursday 28th March 2024. Pupils can come to school wearing spring colours (yellow, pink, light pastel colours). Please send your child with £1 donation towards new books for our school library. Thank you.













Attendance

We want to work with parents so that children are in school every day and on time (8.35 am - 3.10 pm). Please do <u>not</u> book holidays during term time and try to make appointments out of school hours. If you need to make appointments during the school day, then try and make them for the afternoons so that pupils are not missing lessons in core subjects.

We want to give your child the best education and when your child is taken out of lessons or school during term time, their learning is disrupted and it is difficult for them to catch up.

Our whole school attendance so far this year is 93%

% Attendance so far, per class (September to date)

| Class | % attendance | Class | % attendance |
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| 6QM | 96% | 6LE | 94% |
| 5JN | 97% | 5CW | 93% |
| 4SS | 93% | 4JC | 96% |
| 3ET | 93% | 3AR | 95% |
| 2ES | 92% | 2HT | 90% |
| 1LK | 91% | 1HB | 97% |
| RHH | 88% | RHM | 89% |
| NAM | 89% | NPM | 86% |

The Government expectation is that **all pupils should have a minimum of 96% attendance,** this is the national average and our whole school target.

Well done to 6QM, 5JN, 4JC and 1HB who have met our target!

Holiday dates to remember

School closes on Thursday 28th March at 3.10 pm and reopens on Monday 15th April 2024.

School is closed on Monday 6th May (bank holiday).

Eid Mubarak

I would like to wish all of you who are celebrating during the school holiday a very happy Eid celebration. I hope you have a fabulous time with your families and friends. Have a lovely holiday.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S Keenan Acting Headteacher