



Farmilo Primary School & Nursery
April 2026



1 - We are pleased to announce that we have converted to an Academy within the Redhill Trust! :)

April Newsletter 2026



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Value- Responsibility



Our new Value for April is Responsibility!

We will be teaching the children all about being responsible both in school and out. We all have a responsibility towards our families, school and wider community. Children are also responsible for their learning, behaviour and their belongings!

Please speak to your children about this at home too! :)

Dates for your Diary

- **Monday 13th April- Return to school**
- **Tuesday 21st April- Pankhurst class visit to Mansfield Library**
- **Friday 24th April- 9am Lower School Celebration Assembly (by invite only)**
- **Friday 24th April- 2:45pm KS2 Celebration Assembly (by invite only)**
- **Friday 8th May- 9am Lower School Celebration Assembly (by invite only)**
- **Friday 8th May- 2:45pm KS2 Celebration Assembly (by invite only)**
- **Monday 11th May- KS2 SATs Week- Free breakfast for Y6 children! :)**

- Friday 22nd May- 9am Lower School Celebration Assembly (by invite only)
- Friday 22nd May- 2:45pm KS2 Celebration Assembly (by invite only)
- Friday 22nd May- Break up for half term
- Monday 1st June- Back to school
- Thursday 11th June- Redhill Y5 Maths Quiz
- Friday 12th June- 9am Lower School Celebration Assembly (by invite only)
- Friday 12th June- 2:45pm KS2 Celebration Assembly (by invite only)
- Thursday 25th June- Careers day- if any parents and carers would like to join us for this please speak to your child's class teacher
- Friday 26th June- INSET day
- Monday 29th June- 1st July- Y3/4 Hathersage Residential Group 1
- Wednesday 1st July- 3rd July- Y3/4 Hathersage Residential Group 2
- Friday 3rd July- 9am Lower School Celebration Assembly (by invite only)
- Friday 3rd July- 2:45pm KS2 Celebration Assembly (by invite only)
- Monday 29th June- Y6 Ashfield Transition Day
- Wednesday 8th July- Summer Fair after school- all welcome! :)
- Monday 13th July- 15th July- KS1 Walesby Residential
- Friday 17th July- 9am Lower School Celebration Assembly (by invite only)
- Friday 17th July- 2:45pm KS2 Celebration Assembly (by invite only)
- Thursday 23rd July- Disco Day- non-uniform for all :)
- Friday 24th July- Break up for the Summer holidays

School Updates



MULTI ACADEMY TRUST UPDATE

We are pleased to announce that our conversion to Academy Status has been completed and we are now officially part of the Redhill Academy Trust. As we have been working with them for a while you probably won't notice too many changes to the day to day running of the school! We already have our new logo and you will see some new signage around the school and a brand new website is coming soon so watch this space....:)

GOVERNOR VACANCIES

We still have a number of vacancies for Farmilo school Governors, both Parent Governors and Community! This is a really exciting time for Farmilo as we joined the Redhill Trust and we would love both parents and members of the school community to join our board. If this is something that you might be interested in please contact Mrs Tryner to arrange a meeting to discuss this further.

PARENT HELPERS

If you are interested in helping out in classes, listening to readers or being on our list to support school visits please contact us! We will then ensure that a DBS check is completed before you start to come into school. We would really like to see more parents and grandparents supporting our children in school if you have a little bit of extra time! Many thanks :)

EGG & NUT FREE SCHOOL

Most of you should be aware that we are egg and nut free school. We have been using the Natasha Allergy Research Foundation Allergy School Website for guidance. Please have a look at this through the link below:

Natasha Allergy website¹

National Year of Reading

2026 is the National Year of Reading so we will be planning lots of activities in school throughout the year to promote this. We will be funding some new books for reading corners within classes. KS1 and Foundation Stage would love to have 'Mystery Readers' in each week to read to the class or a small group. If you'd be interested in doing this then please contact your child's class teacher. I'm sure your child would love it if you arrived in their class as 'this week's mystery reader!' I will also be taking some children to buy a 'Bedtime bear' for their classes to take home to read with children every night. We'll keep you updated of other activities! :)

National Year of Reading²

New Ofsted Framework

I am sure that you are aware that Ofsted have revised their framework for their regular inspections of schools. Please see the link below for parents to access more information on this.

Ofsted- Info for Parents³

ARBOR PARENT APP

¹<https://www.allergyschool.org.uk/what-is-allergy-school/>

²https://goallin.org.uk/?gad_source=1&gad_campaignid=23393940658&gclid=Cj0KCQiAyyvHLBhDIARIsAHxl6xohxX9_c_dEGPgSKGoCZxRde9WNXWkDupM26BDrfXG1EAzJyrB8C1saAjcxEALw_wcB

³<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kbl0FvY976g>

We have now launched the parent communication side of Arbor so hopefully you will be able to set this up and communicate with the school office through it. Dojo will still be available for now if you need to contact your child's class teacher.

What is the Arbor Parent App?

The Arbor Parent App helps you see important information about your child. With the app, you can:

- See your child's attendance and behaviour
- Get messages from school
- Check and update your contact details



PTA update- Friends of Farmilo



We are planning to have a summer fair on Wednesday 8th July. Hopefully the weather will be good so we will be able to have lots of stalls and activities around the school site. If you would like to book a stall please contact Mrs Tomsett in the office and this will be arranged for you. Also if we could have some more volunteers to help on the day that would be great! PTA are limited to what can be provided with current members. Thank you! :)

Thanks for your support of our school!

ACORNS After School Provision



Acorns at Farmilo continues to be a success but I know that there are still places available so if you would like to register and book please contact Acorns directly with any enquiries on 01623 479204 or manager@acornsdaynurserymansfield.co.uk

If you would like to meet some of the staff they are in school daily so this can be arranged too! :)

Parent Support Worker- Mrs Morley



Please contact Mrs Morley, our Parent Support Worker if you would like any help with something in particular or just a friendly chat. She can support with aspects of SEND, Mental Health & Well-being, Behaviour & Routines at home and much more! You can contact her by messaging on Class Dojo directly or by phoning the school office.

Mental Health & Well-Being- Mrs Winterton



This month we are focusing on loneliness. It is really important that we all made aware of this as it can affect us all in lots of different ways. Please see the link to our Farmilo website page. Also we celebrated National Mental Health week before half term and it was very successful! :)

Always Happy to Help- Mrs Winterton x

Mental Health & Well-being⁴

⁴<https://farmiloprimary.secure-primariesite.net/mentally-healthy-schools/>

Attendance



Attendance at school continues to be a priority for everyone!

Well done to Pankhurst class who continue to be top of the leader board with 97.3% attendance. We now have 3 classes just behind them- Windsor, Picasso and Ford! Keep up the good work everyone! I wonder which class will end the year as our Champion Attenders?

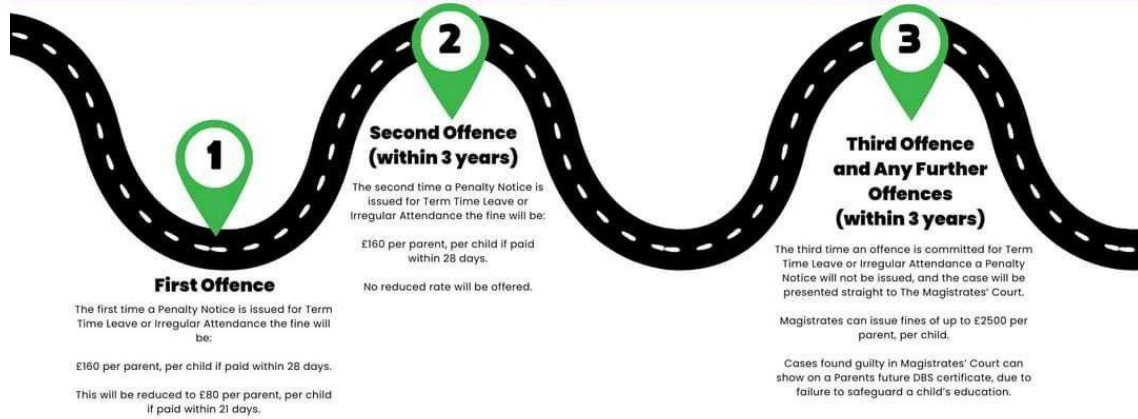
This term we will also be introducing an 'Attendance Ambassador' in each class who will have responsibilities within the classroom and assemblies linked to Attendance. Teachers will be choosing these soon! :)

June & July will soon be upon us and Nationally these are the 2 months where absence is highest mainly due to term time holidays. As a reminder, should your child have 5 days absence for term time holidays within a 10 week period then a penalty notice is issued by the LA. The cost of this fine increases if another holiday is taken in the following year and then could result in court action if another consecutive holiday is taken. We really want to avoid this if at all possible for our families so please make use of INSET days and avoid term time holidays.

Many thanks for your ongoing support with this! As a school we are continuing to make some good progress with this! :)

PENALTY NOTICE FINES FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS CHANGING

Penalty Notice Fines will be considered when there has been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10 week period.



The following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued after 19th August 2024.

www.gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance

Staffing Update



Congratulations to Mrs Robinson who will be expecting her first baby girl in September!!

We are so pleased for Mrs Robinson and her husband, Ashley, and wish them the very best when their new arrival comes! :)

Congratulations to Mr Hibbert and his wife Alice, who gave birth to their little boy, Edward, earlier in March! We were really pleased to hear about his safe but early arrival! :)

RETIREMENT- At the end of this academic year our lovely Mrs Robinson will be retiring after many many years at Farmilo! She has worked mainly in Foundation Stage but also worked in KS1 and Lower KS2 during her time at Farmilo over the last 25 years. Believe it or not Mrs Robinson actually started at Farmilo as a Midday Supervisor and many of our parents may remember that time! We wish Mrs Robinson the very best wishes in her planned retirement and hope that she'll enjoy the last term! :)

Vacancies-

If anybody would like to join our supply list for Midday Supervisor please contact the school office to collect an application form.

Thank you!

ParentPay Update



If you pay for your child's school meals it is important that your account is kept topped up so that the money can be collected. Please also use ParentPay to pay for and trips and residential. Please access Parent Pay to give permission for school trips.

Thank you :)

E- Safety for Parents

Please use the link to take you to some useful tips from the NSPCC

School Uniform Store



Back to School Uniform Checklist



We have 2 rails of uniform in the KS1 building which are free for parents to browse through and have for your children. If you would like to have a look to see if there is anything suitable for your child please come to the school office :)

If anybody has any donations for the rails, they can be dropped off at the office too :)
Thank you for supporting this!

Please ensure that all school uniform is labelled :)

⁵<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

Lost Property



Any lost property is now being placed in the blue tub in the reception area at the main office. We will keep it in there for 2 weeks before it is put in the clothing recycling bin. If your child has lost something please come in and have a look!

Please ensure that all school clothing is labelled clearly with your child's name and class. This is especially important when the weather gets better as children leave jumpers and cardigans around the school! Thank you! :)

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