



Farmilo Primary School & Nursery
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March Newsletter 2026



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Value- Honesty



Our new Value for March is Honesty!

We will be teaching the children all about being reliable and trustworthy. Although this is the March value we want our children to show this value all the time as it's extremely important to be honest in all that we do!

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

Dates for your Diary

- Thursday 5th March- World Book day
- Thursday 5th March 9am- Y6 DART Graduation- parents invited
- Friday 6th March- 9am Lower School Celebration Assembly (Parents will be notified)

- **Friday 6th March- 2:45pm- KS2 Celebration Assembly (Parents will be notified)**
- **Monday 9th March- Redhill Poetry Competition**
- **Tuesday 10th March- KS1 Multi-skills competition**
- **Friday 12th March- Heights & Weights F2 and Y6**
- **Monday 16th March- 8:45am-9:15- Whole School Ladies in Our Lives event**
- **Thursday 19th March- End of Term Disco during the school day- non-uniform!**
- **Friday 20th March- F2 Trip to Twycross Zoo**
- **Friday 20th March- Red Nose Day- Wear something silly day! Donations welcomed :)**
- **Friday 20th March- 9am Lower School Celebration Assembly (Parents will be notified)**
- **Friday 20th March- 2:15pm- Rocksteady Concert & KS2 Celebration Assembly (Parents will be notified)**
- **Tuesday 24th March- Y5 Yorkshire Sculpture Park visit**
- **Friday 27th March- 9am F2 and KS1 Easter Service in the school hall (Parents invited)**
- **Friday 27th March- Break up for the Easter holidays**
- **Monday 13th April- Return to school**
- **Monday 11th May- KS2 SATs Week**
- **Friday 22nd May- Break up for half term**
- **Monday 1st June- Back to school**

School Updates



MULTI ACADEMY TRUST UPDATE

We have now had it confirmed that our conversion will take place on the 1st April. After months of waiting we will finally be part of the Redhill Trust! This is a really exciting time for us!

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 join 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=Cj0KCQiAyvHLBhDIARIsAHxI6xohxX9_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!

Congratulations to Pankhurst class who continue to be top of the leader board with 97.3% attendance. They also achieve 100% in the last week of term which earned them a non-uniform day last week. :)

Not far behind them are Windsor and Picasso with 96.9% so keep up the good work everyone!

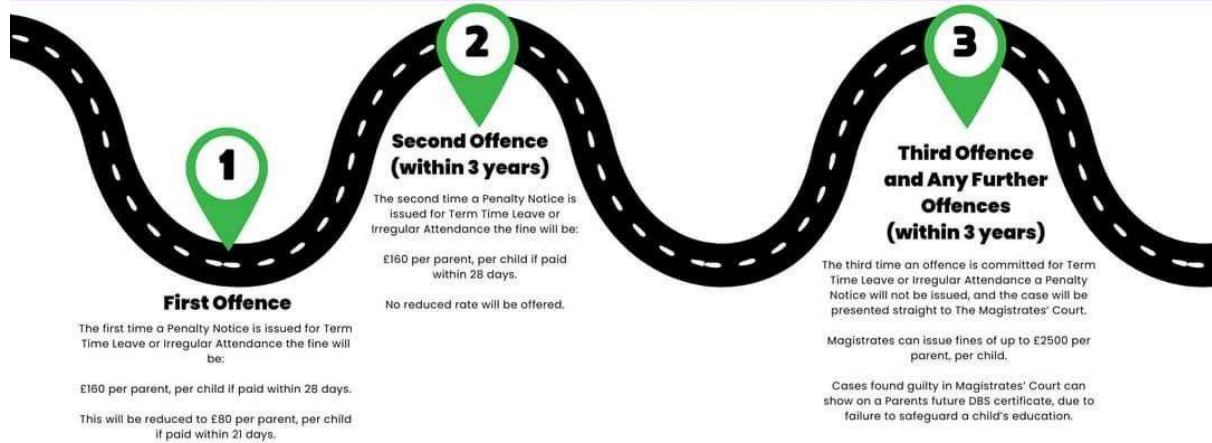
As the year progresses we do anticipate that there may be more holidays in term time and we request that you avoid this wherever possible. As a reminder, should your child have 5 days absence for term time holidays within a 10 week period then a penalty notice is issued by the LA. The cost of this fine 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.

Also, just to let you know that we are able to administer Calpol should your child need it during the day

Many thanks for your ongoing support 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

AStar
Attendance Solutions

Staffing Update



Congratulations to Miss Simpson!!

Miss Simpson will be getting married over the Easter holidays so wish her and her partner, Russell, the very best wishes! Miss Simpson will be known as Mrs Sharman after the holidays! :)

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

NSPCC⁵

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

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 :)

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! :)

Community Foodbank



We currently have a food collection box in reception and the Community Foodbank collect every Thursday. Please donate items if you can! Thank you :) Over 25 deliveries are now being made across our local area!

We can also arrange for a food parcel to be delivered to you if you are struggling. Please see Mrs Morley for further information/ support.

Contact Us



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