



Farmilo Primary School & Nursery
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January Newsletter 2026



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Value- Positivity



Happy New Year everyone and welcome to our new Nursery starters!

As we begin the new school year our focus for our school value is POSITIVITY. We know that New Year's Resolutions will have been set and children love goals and challenges! It is important that we all start the new year with a positive mindset so that we can 'stay on track' and spread positivity all around. Please support us by talking about this at home as well! :)

Dates for your Diary

- Monday 5th January 2026- INSET day
- Tuesday 6th January- Children return to school

- **Friday 9th January- 9am Lower School Celebration Assembly (Parents will be notified)**
- **Friday 9th January- 2:45pm- KS2 Celebration Assembly (Parents will be notified)**
- **Monday 12th January (and Mondays onwards)- Y3 Royal Ballet in school**
- **Wednesday 14th January- KS2 Road Safety Worksops in school**
- **Thursday 15th & Friday 16th January- Y5 Bikeability**
- **Monday 19th January- Y3/4 Bikeability**
- **Friday 23rd January- 9am Lower School Celebration Assembly (Parents will be notified)**
- **Friday 23rd January- 2:45pm- KS2 Celebration Assembly (Parents will be notified)**
- **Monday 2nd -Wednesday 4th February- Y5/6 Lea Green Residential**
- **Thursday 5th February- Y3/4 Trip to Magna**
- **Friday 6th February- Redhill KS2 Reading Awards**
- **Friday 6th February- 9am Lower School Celebration Assembly (Parents will be notified)**
- **Friday 6th February- 2:45pm- KS2 Celebration Assembly (Parents will be notified)**
- **Monday 9th February- Children's Mental Health Week- Assembly from MHST**
- **Friday 13th February- Break up for half term**
- **Monday 23rd February- INSET day**
- **Tuesday 24th February- Return to school**
- **Thursday 5th March- World Book day**
- **Friday 6th March- 9am Lower School Celebration Assembly (Parents will be notified)**
- **Friday 6th March- 2:45pm- KS2 Celebration Assembly (Parents will be notified)**
- **Friday 20th March- 9am Lower School Celebration Assembly (Parents will be notified)**
- **Friday 20th March- 2:45pm- KS2 Celebration Assembly (Parents will be notified)**
- **Tuesday 24th March- Y5 Yorkshire Sculpture Park visit**
- **Friday 27th March- Break up for the Easter holidays**

- Monday 13th April- Return to school

School Updates



Multi Academy Trust Update

We still don't have a confirmed conversion date for moving to the Redhill Trust so please bare with us on this! We can show you our new school logo though! Please see below:)

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



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

PTA update- Friends of Farmilo



Thank you to everybody for supporting our Christmas Fair! It was extremely well attended and raised much needed funds for our school. Thank you to the PTA for arranging it and organising the extra stall holders. Thank you also to that staff for organising games in their classrooms! :)

At the end of the term the PTA allocated £30 to each class across the school to buy various things for the children. This included prizes for the Christmas parties, toys for the younger children and lots of games and equipment for the children to use at wet playtimes. I know that the children have been involved in deciding how this money has been spent and have enjoyed getting new things for their classrooms! :)

We still really need some new members who can support the PTA so if you would like to be involved, please pop to the school office and we will make sure that you are invited to the next meeting.

Thanks again 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 mental health and well-being in the New Year. Please use the link below to access further support with this. The link takes you to the page on our website which also contains previously shared information about different aspects of mental health and how you can best support your children and your family.

Always Happy to Help- Mrs Winterton x

Mental Health & Well-being²

²<https://farmiloprimary.secure-primariesite.net/mentally-healthy-schools/>

Attendance



Just a reminder that attendance continues to be a priority for us at Farmilo. Please ensure that your children are in school every day unless poorly of course. We cannot authorise any holiday time during the school term unless there are special circumstances and the Local Authority will issue a penalty notice if 5 days are taken within a 10 week period. (Please see the poster below)

Also, any child with attendance below 90% regardless of whether this is due to holidays, illness or other circumstances, is classed as a Persistent Absentee. This means that attendance is a cause for concern and they are monitored closely for a period of time until improvements are made. If improvements aren't being made we will invite you in for a meeting to discuss this and possible ways we might be able to support you and your child.

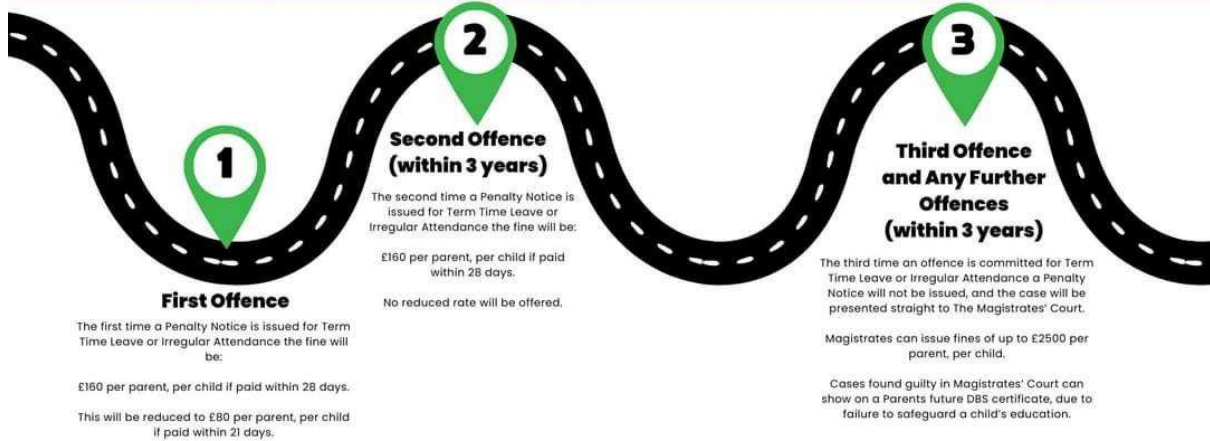
Please also ensure that your children are on time for school so that they don't miss important parts of the curriculum. The end of the school day is also really important so please try to refrain from collecting earlier than the end of the school day. If your child does have an appointment and needs to be collected early please bring the appointment card/ letter to school with you so that this can be recorded.

Please see our updated Attendance Newsletter which Mrs Tomsett will be sending out later in the week! :)

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

Staffing Update



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

NSPCC³

³<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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