



Friars Primary Foundation School



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Dear Parents,

Scooters:

Many of our children scoot to school and back with parents in tow. It is a healthy and fun way to get about. As you know there are stands for scooters to be parked at the front of the school but they are always left there at your own risk. One tip with scooters is to personalise them (with ribbons or rubber bands for example) as many scooters are identical in colour and brand. Yesterday, despite the poor weather all classes had a workshop with a scooter expert to teach them about safety, tips for different ways of riding and even some sporty tricks to try. One gentle reminder is that children and adults must remember not to ride scooters or bikes on the site at the beginning or end of the school day in the interests of keeping babies, toddlers, children and adults safe.

Year 1 to London Zoo:

Year 1 had an excellent day at the zoo this Wednesday to tie in with their CLJ unit of "The really wild show". As well as having a good tour of the zoo they found out about tigers, penguins and cockroaches by going to different talks throughout the day.

Year 4 Roald Dahl Day:

To finish off their CLJ unit on Roald Dahl year 4 had a themed day today. They made cookies and spelling mnemonics inspired by Miss Honey in the book Matilda. Several of the children dressed up as different characters from Roald Dahl books. Also, they did lots of drama activities based on Roald Dahl's books. What a lovely way to end the term!

Sad farewells:

Today were the last working days at Friars for Mrs Doyle and Mrs Palmer and we wish them both well for the future. Mrs Doyle (Nursery teacher, but lately part time cover teacher) started her teaching career at Friars 9 years ago and has been an invaluable member of the early years team. She moved to the Isle of Wight a few months ago so she has decided to cut the commuting down a bit! Sadly Mrs Palmer (year 1 teacher) has been off sick since last week. She is moving to a school much closer to where she lives. Hopefully she will be able to pay us a visit in the first week back after Easter to say goodbye to us all. Year 1 will be taught for the summer term by Miss Bridges and Miss Castillo.

Easter Holiday:

We broke up for the Easter holiday today. Have a peaceful and safe break. Please note that the children will be due back to school on Monday 13th April and there is no INSET day at the beginning of term. We look forward to seeing you all then!

Dates for this half term and next:

Monday 13th April – Summer term starts.

Wednesday 22nd April – 16 children from Y4-6 to attend Southwark swimming gala

Monday 4th May – Bank Holiday

Friday 8th May – Y4 to take part in Rugby World Cup dance festival at the Scoop

Monday 11th May to Thursday 14th May – Year 6 SATs

Monday 11th May – final Y2 swimming session

Wednesday 13th May – Y4 to London Zoo

Friday 15th May – Y1 to London transport museum

Monday 18th May – Y6 to start weekly swimming sessions

Monday 25th to Friday 29th May – half term break

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Have a great weekend!

Yours sincerely,

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