



# Friars Primary Foundation School



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Dear Parents,

**Acts of Random Kindness:**

To promote our children's social skills and emotional wellbeing even more we have introduced our Acts of Random Kindness book this week. The idea is very simple. If a child or an adult (in school) notice another child being kind they can nominate that person's act to be put into the book. That child is then rewarded with a sticker and we will celebrate them in our Friday morning star of the week assemblies.

**Parent info website:**

The government has recently launched a new website to support parents about e-safety. The website has been developed with ParentZone and CEOP. Parent Info is a collection of articles, tips, expert advice and resources designed to help parents keep up with what their children are doing on-line. We have registered with the site and as soon as it is available we will have a feed from Parent Info onto our own website. In the meantime please visit <http://parentinfo.org/> if you are interested.

**Meet the teacher sessions:**

Thankyou to all those parents who attended the meet the teacher sessions this week. They were well attended and we hope you found them useful. Due to Miss Midgley being unwell we have postponed the Y6 meet the teacher session to next Tuesday (29<sup>th</sup> September) from 5:30-6:00pm.

**Harvest:**

Today we celebrated 'Harvest' at school with a special assembly. We sang songs, listened to some readings and Ania Cannon came to tell us about the work of 'City Mission' supporting the homeless. Thank you for your very generous contributions to the 'Harvest Table' which fitted in very well with our assembly theme of harvest and generosity. Some Y6 children will be taking the contributions to the homeless shelter on Webber Street.

**Parent coffee mornings:**

We had our third weekly coffee morning for parents this week at which we discussed the new curriculum at Friars among other things. Thank you to those who came. Your feedback was most welcome. The timetable of coffee mornings for the rest of this term is as follows:

Week 5: Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September with Miss Bridges (opportunities for adult learning)

Week 6: Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October with Miss Foster (maths calculation policy)

Week 7: Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October with Mr. Burt (changes to assessment)

**After school clubs:**

Club offer letters will be sent home today with most clubs starting next week. Ann has done her best to accommodate requests and if your child did not get into the clubs of their choice it would have been down to availability. However the membership of some clubs change each term. We hope that the children selected enjoy the experience of being in a club. It is also important that they attend as often as possible and that payments are kept up to date.

**Dates for Autumn term 2015:**

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September – skipping workshops for all classes

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October – Reception, Y1 and Y2 to BFI Southbank

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October – secondary transfer workshop for Y6 parents 9am

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October – Y6 to London Eye; secondary transfer workshop for Y6 parents 5pm

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October – Last swimming session for Y5

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October – parent open morning 9:10 -10:10; E-safety presentation for parents 5:30 (run by Childnet)

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October – half term break

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*Have a great weekend!*

*Yours sincerely,*

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