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Friday 24th January 2025

Dear Foxhills Families,

Important Notices and information

We have lots of exciting things to look forward to this during the remainder of this academic year. We will be sending out notices and end of term newsletters to keep you in the loop with upcoming events and key information so keep an eye out for these. Here are a few important reminders for the upcoming weeks. Please do remember to contact the school office or your child’s teacher for further information if you are unsure of anything and we will be more than happy to help.



Upcoming dates for your diary (in some cases further information will follow):

Dates for your Diary
Friday 24th January – Parents consultation booking goes live on Arbor at 8pm
Wednesday 29th January – Year 6 SATs Information meeting for parents – information to follow
Friday 31st January – Parents consultation booking closes on Arbor at 12pm
Wednesday 5th February – Parent Consultations 1-7pm
Wednesday 12th February – PTA Disco & Dress Down Day
Friday 14th February – Federation Celebration of Work 14:30-15:15
Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February – Half Term
Monday 24th February – Friday 4th April – Term 4 (Spring 2)
Monday 3rd March – Friday 7th March - Reading Week
Wednesday 5th March – Books Before Bedtime & Dress Down Day (Pyjamas) Pre-booking required
Thursday 6th March – World Book Day (dress as your favourite character)
Friday 14th March – INSET DAY
Monday 24th March -Friday 28th March – FOF Mother’s Day Gift Shop
Monday 7th April – Monday 21st April – Easter Holidays
Wednesday 30th April 2025 – Scholastic Book Fair
Tuesday 22nd April - Friday 23rd May – Term 5 (Summer 1)

<https://www.foxhills-jun.hants.sch.uk/diary/grid/2023/01/>

Inset Days for the Academic Year 2024-2025

Friday 14th March 2025
 Friday 27th June 2025

No Drive Zone



08:20 – 08:45 15:00 – 15:25

No vehicles will be allowed on site during these times except for blue badge holders.

Rescheduled: Books Before Bedtime – Wednesday 5th March

Our Books Before Bedtime has been rescheduled to take place during Reading Week. The event will take place from 15.15-16.45. All children are welcome to wear PJs to school on this day regardless if they are able to attend the event. Due to this event being rescheduled we are asking for parents to rebook by clicking on the link below:

<https://forms.office.com/e/JteFzfnWUZ>



The deadline date for this event will be Friday 21st February at 3.15pm, **please note** that we will not be able to accept anyone after this date.

PTA Bookshop

The dates for this term's bookshop are as follows. **Please note** Year 4 have had a change of date for one of their visits;

<u>Year 6</u>	<u>Year 5</u>	<u>Year 4</u>	<u>Year 3</u>
14 th January 4 th March	21 st January 11 th March	11 th February 25 th March	4 th February 1 st April

Please ensure that money is brought into school, clearly labelled with your child's name, class and 'bookshop' written on it.



Hampshire Libraries – Courses for Parents

Please see below the upcoming schedule for parent courses that will be running in Hampshire libraries during the Spring term. For more information and to book a place please click this link:

<https://shop.hants.gov.uk/collections/learning-in-libraries> .

Course	Location	Date	Time
Positive Parenting	Online	Mondays 13 January - 10 February	7pm - 8:30pm
Emergency Paediatric First Aid	Ringwood Library	Friday 17 January	9:30am - 4:30pm
Introduction to Paediatric First Aid	Online	Tuesdays 21 January - 11 February	6:45pm - 9:15pm
Thriving Together in the Early Years	Online	Mondays 24 February - 31 March	7pm - 9pm
Makaton Signing with Family and Babies	Gosport Discovery Centre	Wednesdays 26 February - 9 April	10am - 11am
Introduction to Paediatric First Aid	Online	Mondays 10 - 31 March	6:45pm - 9:15pm
Paediatric First Aid	Basingstoke Discovery Centre	Saturdays 15 - 22 March	9:30am - 4:30pm
Emergency Paediatric First Aid	Andover Library	Wednesday 26 March	9:45am - 4:30pm



Term Time/ Holiday Activities

We have been informed of several fun activities for your children which are available during term time/holidays. Please follow this link for more information;

<https://www.foxhills-jun.hants.sch.uk/page/?title=Local+Activities%2C+Clubs+%26amp%3B+Events&pid=107>



Creative Crochet and Super Stitches - Help Needed Please!

Can you crochet and/or sew? In school, we provide children with small cotton drawstring bags with a crocheted 'Worry Worm' or a calming resource inside which the children find really useful. We would be grateful if you have the time to make some Worry Worms or small cotton bags. If you can help, please get in touch with Mrs Datlen via the Junior School's office. Thank you!



School Disco – Wednesday 12th February

The school disco will be held on Wednesday 12th February, information has been released this week. Tickets will need to be pre-booked before the day.

All children may wear non-school uniform on this day regardless of whether they will be attending the disco during the evening or not.

The disco timings are as follows:

- Year 3 and 4 - 3:15pm - 4:30pm
- Year 5 and 6 - 4:45pm - 6pm



A huge thank you!

We would like to say a big thank you to the Friends of Foxhills volunteers for all of their hard work and dedicated efforts so far this year. We really do appreciate all the hard work they do to make the school PTA events so successful. We really do rely on the fundraising done by the Friends of Foxhills, which is used to help benefit children at both schools. Thank you again!



Nut Free School

Please can we remind families that we are a nut free school as, in our school, we have children with severe nut allergies. Please ensure that your children do not have any snacks and/or lunch items which contain any form of nuts.



Access to Toilets

For safeguarding reasons, we are not able to give adults or children that do not work or study here access to our toilets.



Medical Appointments

Please could we ask that, wherever possible, medical appointments are booked outside of school hours. We do understand that sometimes this is not possible. In these situations, please could we ask that you send school confirmation of the appointment into school for your child's file.

If an appointment is during a morning session and your child requires a school lunch, please inform the office of your child's lunch order before 9am.

Uniform and School Equipment

Please could we remind you of the following:

- **Ensure all items of your child's clothing are named (name and class if possible).** It is extremely difficult to return lost items to their rightful owner if they are not named.
- **Ensure clothing is weather-appropriate.** The weather in England is very change-able; to allow children to go outside whenever possible for breaktimes, it is important that children are always prepared.
- **Send your child into school with a water bottle.** Water bottles should be plain and school-appropriate. For example, please do not send children with energy drinks/sugary drinks (or water in these bottles).



Voluntary one way system

To help with congestion at school pick up and drop off we have adopted a voluntary one way system during these times. Please could we ask you to help by following the one way system

(flowing from the A326 towards Whartons Lane). This will ensure traffic travels in one direction and will hopefully ease congestion near the school site.

School Driveway

Please can we remind pedestrians to use the pathways when walking to school. The school driveway is for vehicle and bikes use only. This is to ensure the safety of our children when travelling to and from school. Thank you for your co-operation.

School Footpath

If you travel to school using a bike or scooter, please can we remind you to dismount on all footpaths. This helps us to keep all of our site users safe, as footpaths around school are very busy at peak times.

As always, if you have questions or queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch – we will be more than happy to help.

Kind regards,

The Foxhills Junior School Team