

Four Elms Primary School Newsletter

Friday 2nd February 2024

Dear All

Our weekly Newsletter is our main communication so please do keep an eye out for it each Friday for all up to date reminders and new information about everything going on at Four Elms!

School News

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Monday 5th February – Class 1 Farm Trip Thursday 8th February – Class 2 Return to Emmetts Garden

Friday 9th February – 'Dress to Express' day Monday 19th February – Class 3 Farm Trip Thursday 22nd February – Class 2 Farm Trip Monday 26th February – Class 4 Farm Trip W/C Monday 4th March – Book Week (details to follow)

Thursday 7th March – Character Parade. Dress up as your favourite book character!

Clubs

Please find <u>attached the letter</u> and booking for Tennis By Nature with Gary in Term 4.

Please find <u>attached the letter</u> and booking form for Streetdance in Term 4.

The Four Elms School Uniform shop



SEND News- A message from Mrs Solomides

Thank you so much to all those parents and carers who reached out following the release of the Four Elms SEND <u>newsletter (attached)</u> It was so lovely to hear from so many of you and a huge thanks to those who have offered to support in making some weighted blankets! Any more volunteers greatly received!

We are currently in the exciting process of setting up a sensory space at Four Elms to support children. We always seek to be as inclusive as possible and this sensory space will be so beneficial to some of the children. We are in need of a few additional items to complete the space. Ideally a small indoor trampoline, a large exercise ball, any sensory lights and some sensory toys. If you are having a clear out and come across any of these items in your home that you are happy to donate, please do drop them in to the office!

We are also in need of a few complete Lego sets with full instructions and all pieces for our Lego therapy groups.



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CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

On the week commencing $5 \, \mathrm{th}$ February, it is Children's Mental Health Week. Throughout the week, we will be focusing assemblies and wellbeing sessions on mental health.

On Friday 9th February, we invite all children to 'Dress to Express'.

We're all different – we all have different things that make us tick and that bring a smile to our face.

Express Yourself allows children and young people to celebrate what makes them unique with an incredibly fun dress-up day – this could be sharing their favourite hobby, such as skateboarding or dancing, or wearing their favourite colour or accessory. Or it could just be coming in as themselves. Express Yourself is about letting children's voice shine through and empowering them to tell their own stories!

If you need a little inspiration, here are some ideas on the right to get you started!



Let your personality shine through with your favourite colours



Embrace your creative side and unleash your artistic energy



Show off your team spirit with your favourite team's kit



Take the stage as the coolest rockstar in town



Come as you are and wear your comfiest clothes!



Bring the cool energy of the skate park to the playground



Share what makes you... you and celebrate what sets you apart.

Class One NEWS

Class 1 will be going on a trip to the farm on Monday 5th February.

Please <u>see the letter attached</u> for a reminder about what your child will need. If you haven't given permission on MCAS, please make sure this is done prior to the trip.

Class Two NEWS

Class 2 will be returning to the beautiful Emmetts Garden on Thursday 8th February, please click here for the letter with all the details of what to expect on the day.

Class Three NEWS

Year 4 are invited to attend a one-night sleepover in March, in preparation for their Year 6 residential. It aims to build their confidence in staying away from home. Please <u>click here</u> for the letter containing details of the sleepover, including cost.

For our next experience, Class 3 are getting technical! We will be learning how to create a game using coding techniques that will be suitable for the younger year groups to play. If your child is interested in playing with coding at home, here is a free app that they can enjoy during their screen time —

https://hourofcode.com/uk/learn





We've also have our new experience page to share, which, gives food for thought about what the most important considerations are when creating a game on scratch, click here for more information.	
Class Four NEWS	
Class 4's 'The Explorer Launch Page' is here for you to look at and to help your child think about how they can write in the style of Katherine Rundell.	