

FORDLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

FRIDAY NEWSLETTER



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Year 4 Curriculum Autumn 1

Geography		Science			
<p>Questions to ask my child</p> <p>Which is a country and how many are there in the UK?</p> <p>Which often have the biggest population in the UK?</p> <p>Which are the biggest rivers in the UK?</p> <p>Which are the major mountain ranges of the UK?</p> <p>What is the highest mountain in the UK?</p> <p>What is the longest canal in the UK?</p>	<p>Key understanding</p> <p>To understand the differences between a country and a county and to identify that in Wales we do not have counties.</p> <p>To develop an understanding of the size of cities and how that compares to our nearest city.</p> <p>To know the names of the main rivers in the United Kingdom and their location.</p> <p>To know the names of the main mountain ranges in the United Kingdom and their location.</p> <p>To understand what a conurbation is and where we can find them around the UK.</p>	<p>Questions to ask my child</p> <p>What are the basic parts of the digestive system?</p> <p>What does the digestive system do?</p> <p>How many teeth do we have?</p> <p>What types of teeth do we have and what do they do?</p> <p>How do we look after our teeth?</p> <p>What is a food chain?</p> <p>The ability to explain a variety of living things are producers/ consumers/ predators/ prey?</p>	<p>Key understanding</p> <p>To identify the different parts of the digestive system in humans and their simple functions.</p> <p>Identify the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions.</p> <p>The ability to explain a variety of four classes, identifying which living things are producers/ consumers/ predators and prey.</p>		
<p>Computing</p> <p>In computing, we will be writing using the programming blocks.</p>	<p>PSHE</p> <p>In PSHE, we will be discussing what it means to be fit and healthy and how to stay active in a safe part of the school.</p>	<p>RE</p> <p>We will be looking at looking at the stories of the Bible and why it is so important to our faith.</p>	<p>Art</p> <p>In Art we will be learning about the colours of the rainbow and why it is so important to our world.</p>	<p>Music</p> <p>In Music we will be learning about the sounds of the world and why it is so important to our world.</p>	<p>Physical Education</p> <p>In Physical Education we will be learning about the importance of staying active and why it is so important to our world.</p>

Learning and Curriculum this Half Term

On Monday we sent out to all year groups a paper copy of everything the children will be learning this half term in all subjects (as well as posting a copy on Seesaw for you too). It can be really useful to refer to, especially when you ask the question 'What have you been learning?' and you get the typical answer of 'nothing' or 'I can't remember!' Copies of these for all year groups can also be found by following this link: <https://www.fordleyschool.com/curriculum/> (scroll down the page).

Mrs Boyes has also been working on moving all children into their new Seesaw classes today so you will be able to see some of their learning online too.

Successes and Achievements at home



It was fantastic, last Friday, to be able to celebrate successes at home for some of our Y1 children. They shared, with all the children in assembly, the reasons for their medals and certificates. I was impressed to hear about the achievements at football camp, swimming, gymnastics and ice

skating. I look forward to hearing more about their progress and enjoyment as the year moves on.

From Y5 and Y6 it was lovely to hear about two of our children taking part in the Junior Great North Run. They completed it in 34 mins and raised £280 for a local Children's Charity. Finally, from Y2 and Y3, the last picture shows two of our children baking sweet treats to raise £300 for a Breast Cancer charity. Amazing!

Dates for your



Upcoming Dates for Your Calendar

We will share upcoming dates on here for any events, meetings, term dates etc so that you don't miss anything. Calendar dates will also be updated on our school website and you will be able to find them by following this link:

<https://www.fordleyschool.com/diary/grid/2024/09/>

- 23rd September - Friends Resilience sessions begin for Y6
- 25th September - (5:30pm) Open evening at North Gosforth Academy for Y6 families
- 25th October - Training day (phonics refresher training for all staff)
- 28th October - HALF TERM HOLIDAY
- 4th November - School re-opens for new half term
- 23rd December - CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
- 6th January - Training day
- 7th January - School re-opens for a new term

TERM DATES - these can be found by clicking this link to our website

<https://www.fordleyschool.com/term-dates/> or by going to:

- www.fordleyschool.com
- click on 'Menu' then 'Parents' then 'Attendance Matters' then 'Term Dates'

Reminders and Requests

CONTACTING SCHOOL:

If you have a general query, please ring 0191 2502207 or email office@fordleyprimary.org.uk

Any other queries go to your child's class teacher in the first instance, but Mrs Boyes, Mrs Miller (Deputy Heads) and I are usually outside at the start and end of each school day

PARKING ON DUDLEY DRIVE:

No double parking as an ambulance/fire engine would not get through



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Medicines, Medical Needs and Illness:



The poster below gives good advice on the typical illnesses children may have and whether they need to stay off school or not. A larger copy of the poster can be found here: <https://www.fordleyschool.com/news/detail/does-my-child-need-to-stay-off-school-illness-guide/>

Illness	Return to School/Nursery
Chicken Pox	At least 5 days from onset of rash and until all spots have crusted over
Conjunctivitis	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed
Diarrhea &/or Vomiting	48 hours from last episode
Respiratory Illness (e.g. colds & flu)	Can return when no longer have a high temperature and well enough
Glandular Fever	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed
Hand, foot & mouth	No need to stay off if well enough, but school or nursery should be informed
Impetigo	Until lesions are crusted & healed or 48 hours after commencing antibiotics
Head Lice	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed
Measles	4 days from onset of rash
Mumps	5 days from onset of swelling
German Measles (Rubella)	5 days from onset of rash
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after commencing antibiotics
Scabies	Until after first treatment
Slapped Cheek	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed
Threadworms	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed
Tonsillitis	Can return when no longer have a temperature and well enough, school or nursery should be informed
Whooping Cough	48 hours after commencing antibiotics

Medical needs and allergies:

- if your child's medical needs have changed or they have new or changing allergies, please get in touch and we will arrange a meeting with you to make sure their medical plan (which they have in school) is fully up to date

Medicines in school:

- If your child needs to take ANY medicines in school, a medical form must be filled in at the school office.
- Medicines must be handed to the class teacher, or at breakfast club sign in (not put in children's bags)
- We can only give antibiotics if they have to be administered 4 x per day and non-prescription items such as strepsils are not allowed

Community Notices:

There is a new parent and toddler group starting up in the community.

It starts on Fridays at the John Willies Sams' Centre and Mondays at St. Paul's Church.

For more information call Julie: 07986 136 519

PLAYTIME

Do you want a safe inclusive space where you and your child can play, learn and socialise?
Then come along to our friendly group designed for children aged 0-5. Mums, dads, grans, and childminders all welcome.

St. Paul's Dudley Monday*: 10 - 11.30 am
John Willies Sams Centre Friday*: 10.00 - 11.30 am

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This week's Character Skill:

Our Character Skills sit at the heart of our Behaviour and Relationships Policy (and we will have a reviewed copy of this in the next few weeks to share with you - the current policy can be found by following this link: <https://fordley.secure-primariesite.net/policies/>)

The Character Skills cover:

- R - Resilience
- E - Empathy
- S - Self-Aware
- P - Positivity
- E - Excellence
- C - Communication
- T - Teamwork

This week's Character Skill is **Being Kind**

Other messages and requests:

Signing up to ASDA Cashpot

As a school we are a member of ParentKind meaning that if you sign up to ASDA Cashpot for Schools it can earn money for our school when you do your shopping and you don't lose your own rewards.

We would be grateful if you could sign up either by clicking this link: <https://rewards.asda.com/>

Or alternatively by typing the address into your browser. As of this morning we are already up to £207.54 thanks to this being shared on the Dudley and Annitsford page!

CASHPOT FOR SCHOOLS

Cashpot for Schools is our mission to support primary schools across the UK.

Every time you shop with Asda Rewards from 2nd September to 30th November, we will donate 0.5% of your total spend to a primary school of your choice. Plus, Asda will pop £1 into your school's Cashpot every time someone opts in.

Even more, Asda will get your school started with a further £50. To redeem this, make sure to shop & scan and remind your school to sign up with Parentkind.

For more info, please see our **Terms & Conditions**.

You won't give up any of your own earnings, and your Cashpot will continue to grow! **Shop. Scan. We**