FORDLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

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Fordley Primary Calendar of Events and Term Dates

Dates will be continually updated on our school website:
https://www.fordleyschool.com/calendar/?calid=1,2&pid=80&viewid=1

Term Dates and Training Days for This Year - please note there are 5 training days

Due to the early start to the year, and the late finish in July, there are 5 training days throughout the year for North Tyneside schools. These are circled below but are:
1st September, 2nd November, 4th January, 28th May and 2nd June.

2026	July					August					September					October					November					December				
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REMINDER:

Monday 2nd November is a training day
School is closed for pupils

School reopens on Tuesday 3rd November

Bank Holiday
School Holiday
Weekend
Local Election

190 Pupil day calendar, term time window 195 days
5 days to be taken as training days.
Teacher Training Dates are at the discretion of each school
Autumn term 2027 likely to start on Wednesday 1st September 2027.

Other upcoming dates for the new school year:

- **26th October - HALF TERM**
- 2nd November - Training day - school closed to pupils
- **3rd November - Back to school**
- 3rd November - Book Fair 3:20pm onwards for rest of week
- 3rd November - Junior Joes mission training for Y6
- 4th November - Harvest Assembly
- 4th November - RAF STEM workshops for Y5 and Y6
- 4th November - Parent/Carer face to face consultations in the hall with class teachers (3:30-6pm) - appointments must be booked
- 9th November - open morning for families
- 9th November - Bikeability for Y4 and Y5 (over 4 days)
- 9th November - Flu immunisations
- 10th November - open morning for families
- 11th November - Parent/Carer face to face consultations in the hall with class teachers (3:30-4:30pm) - appointments must be booked
- 13th November - Children in Need day - non-uniform for voluntary donation of a silver coin
- 17th November - Buddhism workshops for Y1 and Y2
- 17th November - open morning for parents
- 18th November - open morning for parents
- 14th December - Reception Christmas Performances - 9:15/2:30
- 15th December - Y1/Y2 Christmas Performances - 9:15/2:30
- 16th December - Y3/Y4 Christmas Performances - 9:15/2:30
- 17th December - Y5/Y6 Christmas Performances - 9:15/2:30

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Welcome Ambassadors



Meet our wonderful Welcome Ambassadors and our superb Sports Leaders.

Our Welcome Ambassadors, from Y1 to Y6, have recently received special training to help them support children who join our school to feel welcome and part of our Fordley Family.

Our Sports Leaders have also completed their training with North Tyneside PE Team to lead sports and physical activities during breaks and lunchtimes.

It is always so impressive that so many of our children choose to take on leadership roles in school.

Sports Leaders



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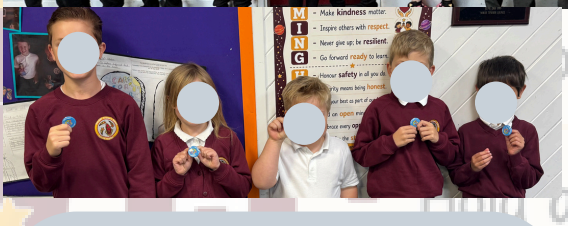


Mission Value of the Week

Every Monday morning we share with Y1 to Y6 in assembly the Mission Value we will all work on this week. This value is one of our core school values and something we believe is a skill for life as well as in school. In classes the Mission Value poster above is shared and we take opportunities to teach the value, demonstrate the value and celebrate with children when they are showing it.

NEXT WEEK (after half term) - Go Forward, Ready to Learn





Amazing Awards

This week we celebrated children who have impressed ttheir teachers, and Mr Stewart (our Maths Lead) with their hard work and resilience in maths. Not everyone finds this subject easy but all of these children have demonstrated how they have made progress because of their effort. Well done.



Seven more Headteacher Postcards were posted on Friday - all very deserved!

SEND Advice

If you have worries about your child's learning or wellbeing, please email SEND@fordleyprimary.org.uk and your concern will be followed up.

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Homework Challenge

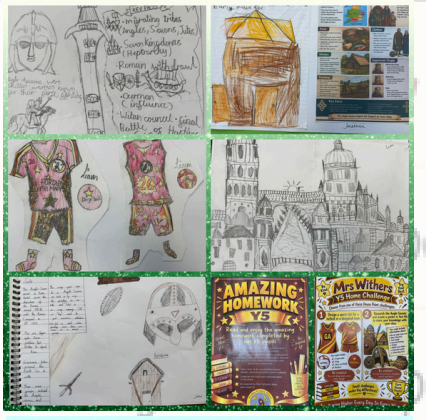
What an exceptional display of the homework completed by children across school, from Y1 to Y6. So many children took on Mrs Withers' Homework Challenge for this half term and utterly smashed it in all year groups. It is fantastic to be able to display the models made of houses from various eras in history, labelled models of the disgestive system, Stone Age tools and so much more. One of the Stone Age houses made also had photos showing how it was made. We also have books displaying posters, information and designs created. Well done to all the children who took part, and thank you to the adults who supported them.

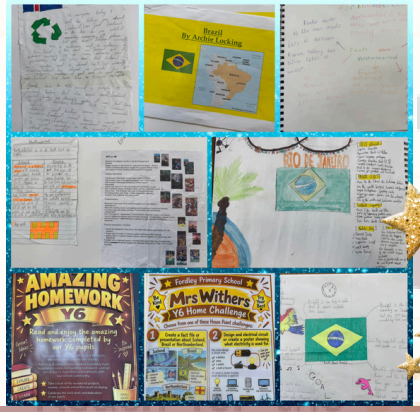




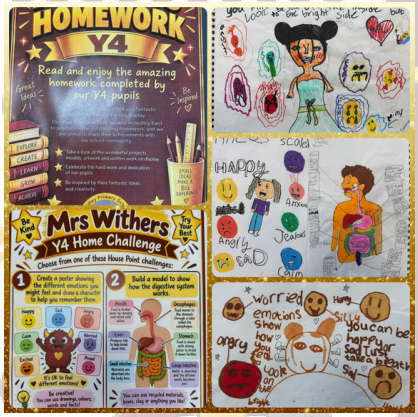


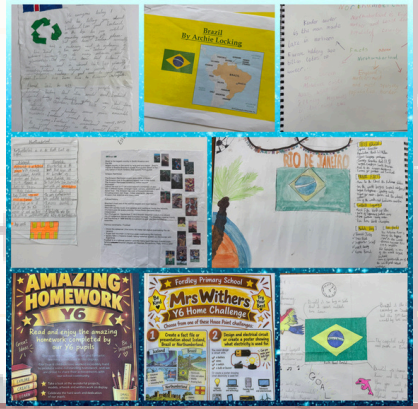
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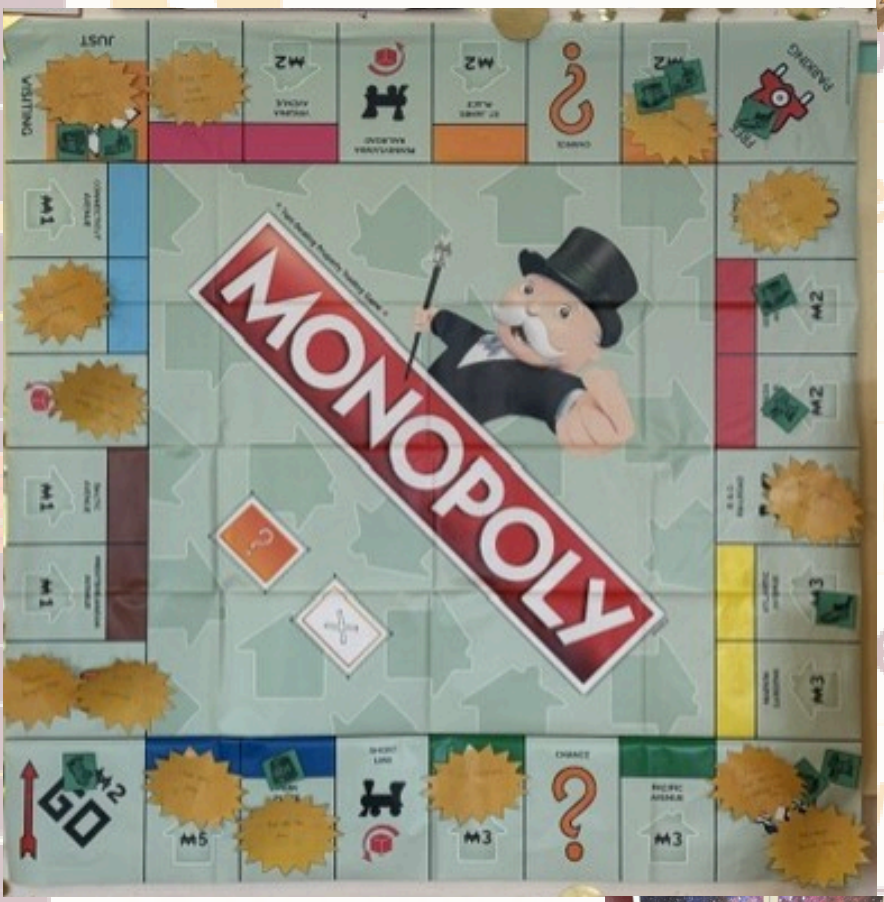


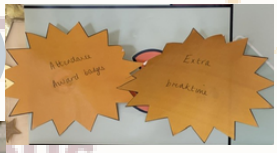


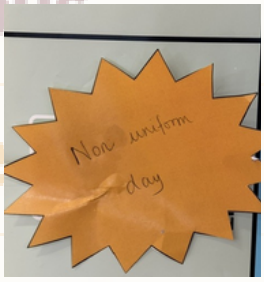


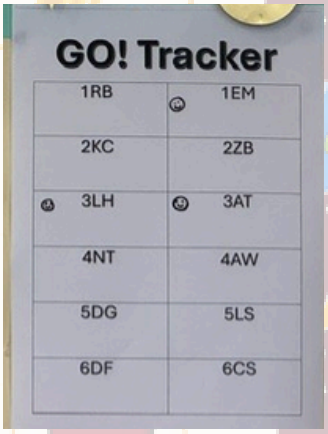


Attendance Matters at Fordley









We know that, for most children, being at school regularly and consistently helps them to make good progress, receive the support they may need and also maintain positive friendships.

Our Attendance Monopoly is a way of celebrating classes who have achieved 96% attendance or more for the week. We take out of the calculation any absences for term time holidays.

Classes with 96% or above get to roll the dice on Fridays and earn a reward or work towards a smiley face on the Go! Tracker. The class with the most passes of GO by the end of the year will have a free trip. Classes with 100% for that week get two rolls of the dice.

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Dice rolls were earned by:

- **1RB - 100%**
- **2KC - 100%**
- **3AT - 100%**
- **2ZB - 97.7%**
- **4NT - 97.6%**
- **5LS - 96.5%**
- **3LH - 96.5%**
- **4AW - 96.4%**









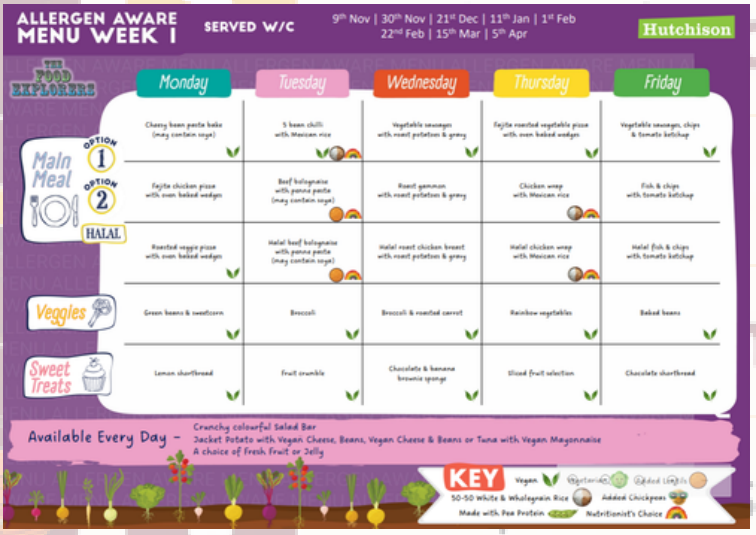
BASECAMP

We already have a soft start for children as they can come into the classroom any time between 8:40-8:50 but for those who may struggle with the transition from home in the morning we also have our Basecamp provision.

This has been set up by Mrs Miller (our Deputy Head and SENCO) to help support with a more gentle start to the day and if your child may need support with this please give us a ring or email office@fordleyprimary.org.uk

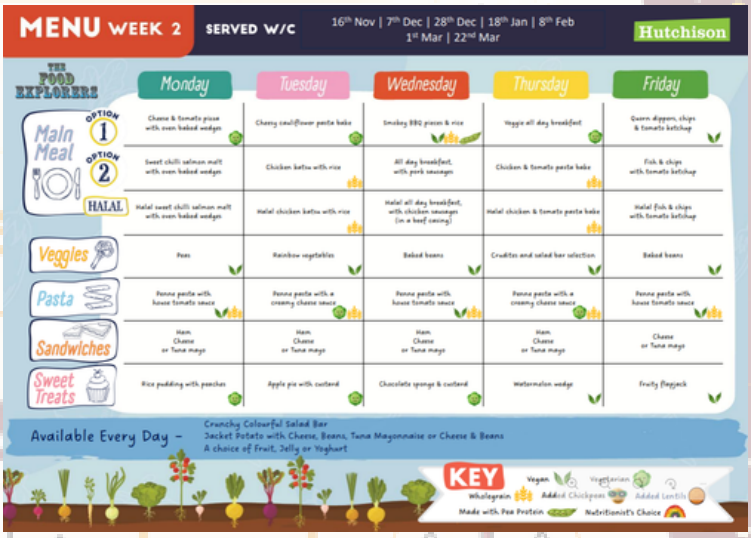
The images on the left show our Basecamp and how it is set up. It is also used at break and lunch for children who may benefit from a quiet space for social time.

New Lunch Menus for after Half Term - starting with week 3

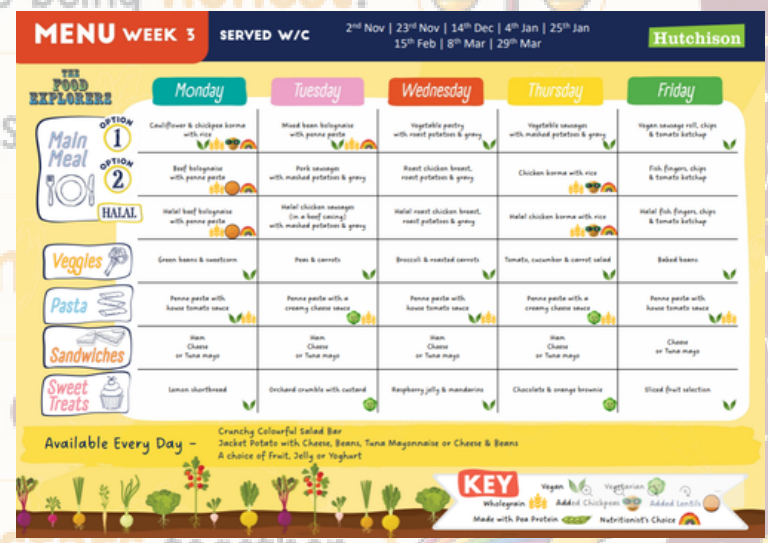












Integrity means being honest.
Reach for the stars together.