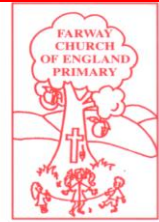


# Farway Church of England Primary School



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20<sup>th</sup> July 2018

Dear Parents,

Well, as we come to an end of this academic year it is with great pride that I can look back at the many successful achievements of our Farway children. The numerous values that have been on display throughout the year have particularly come to the fore as we end the summer term – resilience when tackling a particularly tricky problem whether it is in class or a problem between friends; courage in coping with changes; love and honesty towards all members of the school community; appreciation and happiness for each other and all the opportunities they are given within the school – which all strengthen their character and their ability to make the most of every aspect of school life. So, a huge thank you to all the Farway pupils for their continued hard work and positive 'can do' attitudes.



I would also like to thank all the parents and carers for their ongoing support this year. A great deal of what we do in school cannot be achieved without you and your co-operation and backing. So, many thanks and we look forward to working more closely with you from September.

There have been some tremendous academic and sporting events and achievements to celebrate this year, most of which are detailed on our school website. So don't forget to take a little look with your children at home and let them reflect upon their learning this year at Farway. What have you enjoyed the most this year? What have you been proud of the most this year? What are your hopes for next year, in your new year groups? What will you be looking forward to in your new year group?



I would like to wish all the children the very best on their journey into their new school year groups after the summer holidays. I know they will continue to go on and achieve great things in the new term ahead. We are equally looking forward to welcoming a few new faces into our Reception class from September. It's been lovely having you visit us while you've been getting used to your new learning areas and Farway friends.

I would also like to say a huge thank you to all the staff across The Jubilee Federation for all that they do for the children in the three schools – they really are a super, dedicated team. We will have a new member of the team in September. Miss Watts, who has been covering Mrs Hooper's planning time, will be taking up a full time teaching position at Broadhembury after the holidays and so Mrs Finn will now be working with Farway pupils on a Friday. She visited the school this week and met the children.

Finally, as we look towards the summer holidays and a new academic year approaching, we turn to the brilliantly inspirational author of 'You Are Awesome!' and remember these crucial words of wisdom; *'Take a risk, dare to fail and give it your all. Just aim to be the very best that you can be at all times. You'll get there, because... you are awesome!'*

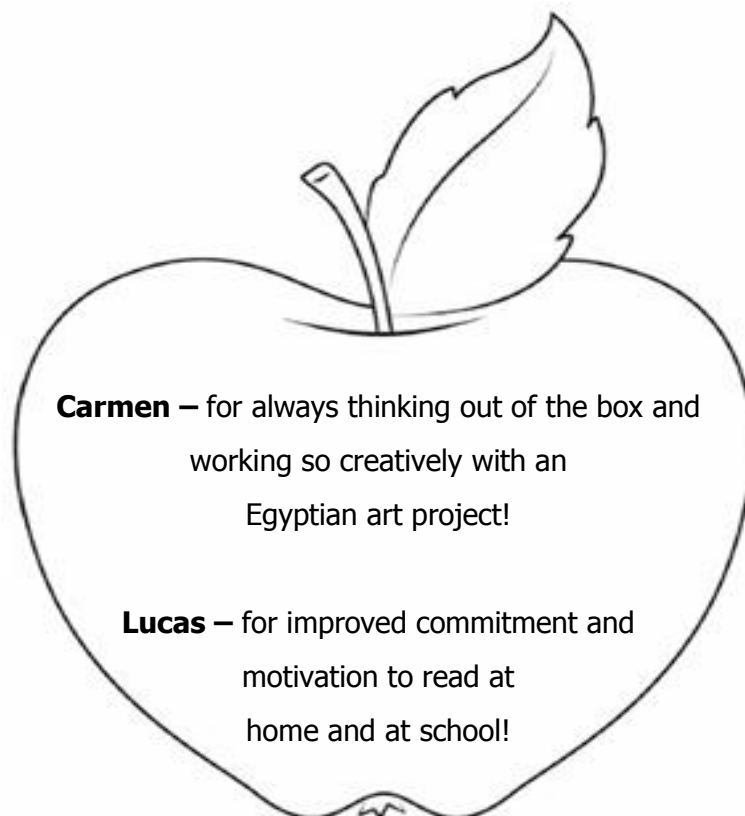
Have a wonderful and relaxing summer holiday filled with rest and laughter and we look forward to seeing you all again on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September!

Thank you for all your continued support.

God bless and have a lovely weekend and summer holiday.

*Best wishes from Katie Gray and the staff at Farway CE School*

**Question of the Week:** What are your hopes for the next school year and how will you go about achieving them?



## **Key Dates**

**24<sup>th</sup> July-** Leavers' Service 11 am at Farway church & Last Day of Term.

## **Autumn Term 2018**

Non Pupil Days: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September

Term Begins: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September

Half Term: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October- Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October

Non-Pupil Day: Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October

Children return to school: Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October

Last Day of Term: Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December

## **Spring Term 2019**

Non-Pupil Day: Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January

Term Begins: Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January

Half Term: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February

Last Day of Term: Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April

## **Summer Term 2019**

Term Begins Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April

Bank Holiday: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May

Non Pupil Day: Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May

Half Term: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May

Children return to school: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Last Day of Term: Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

## **School end of year service**

Our school end of year service will take place on our last day, Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July at 11am in Farway Church. Everyone is welcome to join us to celebrate this year's achievements. Thank you.

## **Federation Sports Day and Race for Life**

On Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July, the whole federation will be having a sports day in Branscombe at the playing field. The children will travel to Branscombe by coach, leaving Farway at 9.30 am. They will be returning by coach arriving back at Farway around 2.45pm. Your child will need to wear **full P.E kit** and bring a **packed lunch and a named water bottle**. The children will also need a sun hat and sun cream on this day. We would like to invite parents to join us. **If you have not returned a completed SOE'3 permission form to the school office, it is essential that you bring it to school first thing Monday morning.** We will aim to collect all sponsorship money during the first week back at school in September. Thank you.

## **PTFA**

Our PTFA are looking for new recruits to join in and help raise funds for the school. If you are interested please do get in touch. Thank you.

## **Fundraising for Playground Soft Surface**

We are continuing to raise funds, so that we can upgrade our preschool playground area, to a soft bouncy, rubber surface. This will make a huge difference to the outside area, which is in constant use by the children. If you have any ideas on how we can raise funds, please let us know. Thank you to those of you who have been in touch. Our efforts continue.

## **Sun cream and Hats**

Please remember to continue to send children to school with a sun **hat**, and **sun-cream** already applied. We are not able to apply sun cream for the children. If children can apply sun cream themselves, please send them in to school with a named bottle of cream, to put extra on during the day. Please can the children also bring a **water bottle** to school with them? Thank you for your help with this. **This is especially important to remember on the days that children will be doing P.E lessons, as they can easily overheat in the sun.**

### SIMS parent app

To help us comply with the new General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) we will be moving away from sending home paper data collections sheets and introducing an easier and more convenient way to update parent and student contact details using the new SIMS Parent app. A separate letter has been sent home about this. If you had not already done so, please can you return the attached slip to the office, so that we can set this up? Thank you.

### Headlice

There has been a recent case of Head Lice within school. **May we please ask that if your child has long hair it is tied back in school so it may help prevent the spread of head lice.** The following advice comes from the School Nurse: Please check your child/children's and close family members' heads tonight. We also generally recommend that your child/children's head should be checked once a week for head lice. The best way to do this is to wash your child's hair normally, towel dry and then apply plenty of conditioner. You should then brush and comb your child's hair and finally comb thoroughly through with a head lice comb. Current recommended combs are the Bug Buster Kit and Nitty Gritty. The Bug Buster Kit can be ordered from [www.nits.net/bugbusting](http://www.nits.net/bugbusting) and the Nitty Gritty comb can be bought from local pharmacies.

It is important when using this "wet combing" method that you repeat the above method every four days for two weeks. This should ensure that all live lice, including any which may hatch during this time are removed. Health practitioners do not recommend the use of insecticides. For further information please contact your school nurse on 01395 576162.

### Collective Worship Activity

This term we will be focussing in school on the value of Hope. We hope your family will find these ideas helpful as you explore the value and have fun together. If the children bring back something that you have done at home linked to the Collective Worship activity, or can talk about a discussion they've had at home linked to it, then Mrs Gray will award them with a new special sticker.



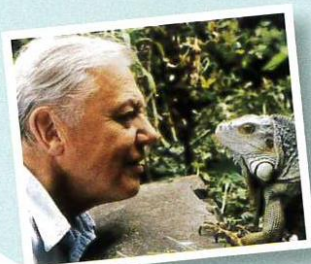
## HALL OF FAME

### Sir David Attenborough

Sir David Attenborough is best known as a natural history film maker. He has made expeditions all over the world to watch and film wildlife in its natural habitat. His many TV documentary programmes have allowed us all to understand the wonder of nature and the importance of conserving the natural environment if species are to survive.

Sir David has shown us the impact humans have too often made on the natural world and the consequent

struggle of wildlife to survive. His **hope** is that we leave future generations a planet that is healthy and inhabitable by all species.



**Please order meals for \_\_\_\_\_**

The menu is on the school website [www.farway.devon.sch.uk](http://www.farway.devon.sch.uk) - Please look at **week 2**.

	Menu Choices for Week Beginning 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2018	Cost £2.50 per meal
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday	<i>School holiday</i>	
Thursday	<i>School holiday</i>	
Friday	<i>School holiday</i>	
	Amount Enclosed	£
	Please make cheques payable to Devon County Council	

***In accordance with our policy, if you pay for your child's meals then payments for school meals should be made on the Monday before the meals are taken.***

### **East Devon Countryside Events**

This summer there is a full range of countryside events taking place, across East Devon. For upcoming events from the Wild East Devon team- perfect for the long summer holidays- please see [www.wildeastdevon.co.uk](http://www.wildeastdevon.co.uk), 01395 517557, or email [countryside@eastdevon.gov.uk](mailto:countryside@eastdevon.gov.uk)

### **Thelma Hulbert Gallery**

Join us at Thelma Hulbert Gallery (THG) to celebrate the centenary of the WW1 armistice as part of **Honiton Charter Day**. Drop into the gallery anytime between 10am and 2pm to make a paper aeroplane to take home and also create an aeroplane animation with animation expert Anna Aroussi. All ages and abilities welcome. Free, suggested donation £2 / child.



**EAST DEVON  
SUMMER FAMILY  
FUN DAYS**

**Completely free activities  
for the whole family to enjoy!**

- SPORTS PLAY
- CIRCUS SKILLS
- SMOOTHIE BIKE
- ARTS AND CRAFTS
- BUSH CRAFT
- AND MORE!

**2018 dates, 10am to 1pm**

- **Mon 30th Jul**  
Broadhembury, school field
- **Tues 31st Jul**  
Tipton St John, Playing field
- **Wed 1st Aug**  
Seaton, Elizabeth rd playing field
- **Tues 7th Aug**  
Colyton, playing field
- **Wed 8th Aug**  
Candy's field, Lympstone
- **Mon 13th Aug**  
Littleham, Parish hall
- **Tues 14th Aug**  
Plymtree, Parish hall
- **Wed 15th Aug**  
Upottery, Manor Rooms

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