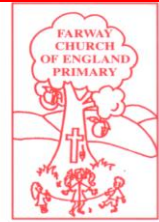


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Dear Parents,

As we celebrate England football team's world cup success this year, Farway pupils joined the football fever sweeping across the country by proudly wearing waistcoats, football kits or red, white and blue clothing on Wednesday. Thank you for supporting this patriotic event. The children are excitedly looking forward to purchasing a new football for the school with everyone's contributions!



Key Stage 1 children finally completed their information texts this week. They all worked tremendously hard to remember the key features required for their writing about plants. What title did you give your text? How many sub-headings did you use? The children excelled in applying their knowledge of information texts and it was especially impressive to see some bullet points and captions included!

Positional language and direction vocabulary has been the focus for Key Stage 1's maths this week. The children have been securing their knowledge of left and right, as well as forwards, backwards and turning quarter and half turns. Explain to someone at home how many quarter turns you need to make if you have turned halfway around, or even a full turn? They have also been using their positional language such as on, below, above, in and around for example, to move objects into different positions in pairs. Can you remember the positional vocabulary which means the same as next to?

Key Stage 2 have started to draft their paragraphs for their own biography writing this week by looking closely at the structure of a biography text and the different sentence types used in the opening paragraphs, compared to the closing paragraph.

Explain to someone at home which paragraph introduces the famous person and what type of language is commonly used, compared to the paragraph which details the challenges and adversities faced by the person you are writing about. What are the achievements of the person you are writing about? What impact have they made on the world and how will you explain this in the biography?

Block graphs, pie charts and pictograms have been a continued focus for Key Stage 2, as they've worked towards collating and presenting their Egyptian data in maths. From the number of sunlight hours, to the number of millimetres of rainfall, to the maximum or minimum temperatures of Egyptian cities compared with the UK, the pupils have worked with enthusiasm to present their data in the most interesting ways. Some children chose to demonstrate their ICT skills by using the computers to present their data, and creating Excel documents to generate different types of charts. Which chart illustrates the data most effectively do you think? Explain to someone at home your reasons.

Applying their mummification knowledge, Key Stage 2 pupils worked in teams to demonstrate the rituals, processes and methods involved with a mummification and showcased their completed 'mummies' to Key Stage 1 pupils, who then took part in a question and answer session, to apply their deeper learning for their Egyptian topic work. Well done to the 'volunteer' mummies who lay very still and mostly very quietly! It's clear this topic has captured everyone's interests and it was amazing to hear such accurate facts and technical vocabulary during the demonstrations and presentations!



Finally, we say hello again to our lovely new friends from nursery who joined us for their second taster session in school. We were all super impressed with your good behaviour, 'can do' attitudes and smiley faces! It was amazing to see how well you all came in by yourselves and enjoyed our activities, games, songs, stories and exploring the areas of the school you will be using from September!

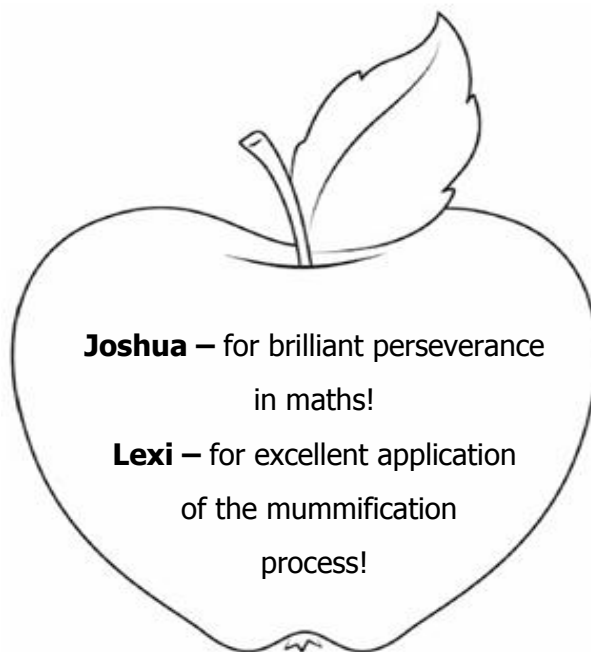


Thank you for all your continued support.
God bless and have a lovely weekend.

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

Question of the Week:

When did the light of hope at the end of the tunnel shine brighter for you and how did it feel?



Key Dates

Summer Term 2018

19th July - Starter afternoon, for children joining Farway in September.

18th July - Open evening.

23rd July – Federation Sports Day & Race for Life.

24th July – Last Day of Term.

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.**

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 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.

Federation Sports Day and Race for Life

On Monday 23rd July, the whole federation will be having a sports day in Branscombe at the Branoc Hall. Please look out for a letter about this, which will be sent home soon. As part of this day, we will be holding our 'Race for Life' in aid of Cancer Research. We would like to invite parents to join us on this day. All children will need a packed lunch, a bottle of water, a sun hat and sun cream on this day. Thank you.

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.



HOME-SCHOOL CHALLENGE

Make a 'hopes and dreams' catcher

Dream catchers are traditionally made from a looped willow branch onto which a net or web is woven. The net is then decorated with feathers, beads and other decorations. According to American Indian folklore, as we sleep, dreams are caught in the net and with the first rays of sunlight any bad dreams are burned away.

Find a long twig that can be bent and tied to make a hoop or frame. Use natural string or thread stretched across the frame to make the net and then decorate it creatively to catch all the **hopes** and dreams you can!



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Please order meals for _____

The menu is on the school website www.farway.devon.sch.uk - Please look at **week 1**.

	Menu Choices for Week Beginning 16 th July 2018	Cost £2.50 per meal
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		
	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, 01395 517557, or email countryside@eastdevon.gov.uk

HONITON RUGBY CLUB



U7's & U8's Mini Rugby Taster Sessions

For boys and girls in school years 2 & 3
At Honiton Rugby Club
10am-11.30am
Sunday 9th and Sunday 16th September



Parking available at Honiton sports centre

For more information email Adam Tennant at
tennantam@googlemail.com or call him on 07795 287502

JOIN THE TEAM & GET INVOLVED IN THE ACTION