Farway Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Last week I wrote about the discussions I had with the children about a new behaviour policy. They had worked together to draft some children's aims – based largely on our core Christian values. They had decided to call these aims The Farway Orchard Aims. This week all the children did some hand prints. Sarah, one of our admin team, has put the prints together to create the logo for the set of aims. I think it looks super...



We will try to:

be responsible, honest and reliable.
be positive, hard working, confident learners.
be helpful to each other and show love and respect.
be good friends; kind, caring, considerate & play together well.
Work well as a team, be trustworthy and treat others as we would like to be treated.

There will be further updates regarding the new policy next week.

Thank you for all your continued support.

God bless

Best wishes from Katie Gray and the staff at Farway School

Attendance

Each year the governors approve an attendance target with our Educational Welfare Officer. This is based on national guidelines and our previous attendance records. It has become apparent that we have a few children who have slipped under this target recently and whilst this may be for perfectly legitimate reasons, such as illness, it is important that we are keeping accurate records. With this in mind we request that if your child is not going to be at school you call on the first day of their absence and then, when they return to school, provide a note detailing the nature of their absence. This should give detail such as "sore throat and temperature" rather than just stating "ill". We have attached a form for you to use if you wish, and there will be copies of these in the office.

Next Friday 23rd January class 1 will be schooling like in the 1950s. Please could children dress up in 1950s style clothing for this day. Their lessons will be taught like in the 1950s and tables will be set out individually too, including boys and girls separate!

The girls uniform is very similar to the pinafore dresses they wear now. Here are some ideas:









Bad Weather - Now that we are closer to winter and bad weather situations become more likely, please can we remind you about the system for bad weather and school closures. If the weather looks like it may be bad enough to cause a closure please call the Saunders' special mobile number on **07811 058600**. If Mrs Gray has decided to close the school she will have notified them and they will put a message on the answerphone stating that school is closed. In the event of a closure, Mrs Gray or another member of staff will also call parents to let them know.

If you have any questions regarding any of this, please do get in contact with a member of the Admin team.

Exeter City Football Club - Monday 19th January - Class Two

Exeter City Football club are coming in on Monday 19th January to hold a football session with the class two children, <u>please ensure all PE kits are in school</u>.

Residential for Year 5 and 6 Pupils - Update

Just to let you know we are in the process of finalising arrangements to make a booking for a residential trip in the summer term. Details will be sent home shortly.

Milk at Lunchtimes

Schools are now required to provide milk for all children in school, with under 5's and pupils on free school meals supplied free of charge. Milk for the remainder of pupils should be chargeable. However, we have decided that for this academic year, in order to benefit all pupils, milk will be provided for all children in the federation free of charge. The children will be told about the availability of milk but we felt it important to let parents know too, so that you are able to remind them about it if you would like to.

For the safety of the children, please DO NOT park in the lay-by outside school.

Public Consultation - School Admission Arrangements

Devon county Council are consulting stakeholders on the proposed School Admission arrangements and Education Travel arrangements. The consultation began on 2nd January and will carry on until 28th February 2015. You are invited to consider the arrangements proposed by DCC and by individual schools. and make comments please view the proposals on them visit: www.devon.gov.uk/admissionarrangements or call My Devon on 0345 155 1019 for a paper version.

KEY DATES			
Mrs Gray will be in school on Wednesday and Friday next week			
26 th January & 2 nd February	Child line workshops for Years 5 and 6		
Tuesday 10 th February	Safer Internet Day		
Friday 13 th February	Pancake races / End of Term		
Monday 23 rd February	Back to School		

NEXT WEEK'S MENU - Week 3 - Please fill in the order form below and return to school

	Sausage Roll with Baked Beans & Mashed Potato
Monday	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Spring Onions and Baked Beans
	Fruit Sponge & Custard
TUESDAY	Lasagne with Green Salad
	Vegetable Lasagne with Green Salad
	Fruit Salad
WEDNESDAY	Gammon Steak with Pineapple, Broccoli, Carrots and Roast Potatoes
	Vegetable Hotpot
	Fruit Yoghurt
THURSDAY	Cottage Pie with Peas
	Vegetable Parcel with Broccoli, Carrots & Roast Potato
	Chocolate Sponge with Custard
FRIDAY	Jacket Potato with Cheese and Baked Beans
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	Cherry Shortbread Biscuit

Salad to include: Lettuce, Cucumber, Grated Carrot, Grapes, Cherry Tomatoes, Coleslaw Drink: 200ml Semi Skimmed Milk is included with each meal

Please order meals for	
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	Choices for Week Beginning Monday 19 th January 2015	Cost
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		2
	Amount Enclosed	£
	– Please make cheques payable to Devon County Council	