

FOAM Newsletter

MARCH 2026

Introduction

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, we would like to say a huge thank you to everyone for your support this term. We've had such a wonderful start to the year, and it has been fantastic to see so many of our school community getting involved.

During Mental Health Week, the children created beautiful, coloured hearts which are now displayed around the school. It looks so colourful and welcoming, and it was so lovely to see the time and care the children took to write such thoughtful and special messages.

We also held our doughnut fundraiser, which raised an amazing £130, followed by our Wonderful bar sale for World Book Day, which was a huge success and raised a fantastic £400 for the school.

If you have any unclaimed golden tickets, please remember to pop them into FOAM's postbox. We will be arranging the baking prizes, Headteacher prizes and Office Helper prizes over the coming month.

Events coming up this Term

- ✓ We're really looking forward to the remaining events we have planned this term. First up are our Light Up Discos, followed shortly after by our Easter Egg Hunt.
- ✓ We will also be sending home an Acts of Kindness Challenge for children to take part in during the Easter holidays, encouraging them to spread a little kindness in their communities.

Logo Competition

We would also like to thank all of the children who took the time to enter our "Design a Logo for FOAM" competition. We received lots of fantastic and creative entries, and it was very difficult to choose a winner.

However, on this occasion, our winning design was created by Remy! A prize will be heading his way as a big thank you from us.



New Logo



Remy's Design



Looking ahead

Thanks to the funds raised, we have been able to secure a two-day willow weaving workshop on the 8th and 9th July. During this workshop, the children will learn how to weave willow and help create a structure for the school playground, which will remain there for them to use as a shelter.

Following this, we will be hosting our very first Colour Run on 10th July!

More details will be shared over the coming months, but please start thinking about keeping hold of those old end-of-term uniforms. Children will need to wear a white top on the day, which will definitely end up covered in paint! We will also be asking for volunteers closer to the time, so if you would like to attend and help out, please save the date in your diary.

What your fundraising has made possible...

Thanks to your incredible support this year, Friends of Arnold Mill has been able to enrich school life in so many meaningful ways. Every pound raised has gone directly towards creating memorable experiences and improving opportunities for all our children.

Because of you, we've been able to provide:

- Festive treats, games, and prizes for class Christmas parties – making the end of term extra special
- A whole-school streaming of Sleeping Beauty from the Playhouse Theatre – bringing the magic of theatre into school
- Prizes to celebrate creativity for World Book Day's Extreme Readers
- Brand new bookshelves to inspire a love of reading
- Welly washing stations to support outdoor play (and save muddy corridors!)
- A large screen TV for The Den, enhancing learning and wellbeing spaces
- A mini trampoline for the Foundation Unit, supporting physical development and fun
- Replenished charging stations in every classroom to support learning
- Contributions towards transport, helping make school trips more accessible for all
- Christmas books from Santa, putting a book into every child's hands
- Prizes for star assemblies, celebrating achievements across the school
- Baking equipment for all classes to enjoy hands-on learning experiences
- And finally... exciting new outdoor play equipment, arriving very soon!

Every contribution you've made has had a direct impact on your child's school experience.

From everyday learning to special moments, your support helps create a richer, more enjoyable environment for everyone.

Thank you for being such an important part of our school community

