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FOREFIELD MATTERS

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Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

Can you believe that another school year is very nearly over? We close at 2:00pm on Tuesday, 19th July and will re-open on Monday, 5th September 2022.

This week has been very emotional! Over two consecutive nights we celebrated the achievements and showcased the talents of our current Year 6 pupils as they performed 'Little Red Riding Hoodie' for their families. There were tears and laughter as we enjoyed fantastic acting, singing and dancing from each one of them. I'm sure everyone who was there would agree that they were simply AMAZING!

It was also the Year 2 Leavers' Assemblies this week and I was lucky enough to be invited to join the audience on Wednesday afternoon. It was great to see such young children performing with so much enthusiasm — especially as they hadn't performed in front of an audience since their Christmas play in Reception.

What a privilege to see both the start and the end of the FJS journey. It's astounding how quickly they grow up and before you know it they are moving on to their new high schools. For many of our families the journey continues – I saw several familiar faces in the audience at the Infants. For others, this is the end of an era and when the doors close on Tuesday they will no longer have children at FJS. On behalf of every member of staff, can I say a huge 'Thank You' to all of our families who have continued to support us through the last few years. We all know that there have been difficult times and everyone has faced disruption – but we have worked together to keep things as settled as possible for the children. Let's hope next year brings us even more opportunities...

Our House Captains had the very difficult job of judging the entries from across the school for their 'Shoebox Challenge.' We had very imaginative and creative entries from Y3-Y6! Somehow they did manage to decide and they will be announcing the winners on Monday. Mr Croot will also be announcing the winners of the sunflower competition – I wonder how tall the tallest sunflower was?

In anticipation of next week's rising temperatures, we will be ensuring that classes are well ventilated and outdoor play will be adapted in response to the heat. Children will be encouraged to seek shade and access water. All pupils are encouraged to wear a hat/cap, bring a water bottle and wear an 'endurance' sunscreen (at least sun protection factor 15) that lasts for up to 12 hours.

End of Year Reports were shared by email this week, but in a break with tradition, I'm going to hand over to the children....

Year 3:

We have had a fantastic start to junior school life and enjoyed so many things! Our first Christmas party was filled with games and learning about the Stone Age was amazing. On our trip to the World Museum, we were disgusted by the gnarly, brown nails of the mummified hand and our breath was taken away by the huge triceratops skeleton on display. We hunted for Natterjack toads and red squirrels along the Sefton coast and finished the year with beautiful watercolour paintings inspired by Georgia O'Keefe.

Year 4:

Thank you to everyone who has worked with Year 4 this year – we have really enjoyed making things. We tasted bread and made our own pizzas – the bit that didn't burn was brilliant – but seriously they tasted great! In Arts week we created origami birds and used wax resist to create batik silhouettes. Our pirate topic – complete with parrot puppets and pirate hats inspired us to write our own adventure stories. Year 4 worked together to reunite the Spice Girls in scarecrow form for our Queen's jubilee party in the quad. We loved ending the year by watching the stars of Year 6 perform their play – it was hilarious!

Year 5:

We'd like to thank our Year 5 teachers for guiding us through a year filled with ART – from Andy Warhol soup tin labels, Modroc masks, lion collages and Gaudi chimney toppers. We also learnt about the wonders of space and watched mesmerized as our caterpillars became butterflies and were released in the Quad. We really loved the fruit kebab topic – tasting a delicious variety of fruit! It was so colourful. Finding monsters with our Year 2 buddies was also lots of fun. Thank you for trusting us with that responsibility – we can't wait to apply to be House Captains in Year 6.

Year 6

Well, what more can we say about Year 6? Obviously we are the first to have a residential in Robinwood and the first to perform a Leavers (for some time) – but we have done far more than that! Seeing our teachers dressed up for Victorian Day was a scary sight to behold. Polishing metal and baking bread – we just did as we were told! We've laughed so much and cried too – at the end of Leavers we had a group hug – trying to hold on to some special memories for a little while longer! Carrying flags at Sports Day is actually quite tricky and it's amazing what you can learn in PHSE. We loved our rainforest classrooms and creating animal masks. We have enjoyed the snow at Robinwood and the ice-pops in the quad... we'll never forget the time we've had at FJS or the way the teachers have made us feel. Whoever said Year 6 was all about SATs was wrong! So come on Year 5, start thinking about September and who will be our new House Captains. You've got big shoes to fill!

Looking ahead to September, please note that we still have 'New to You' uniform available in school for parents to access from 'The Meeting Room.' In readiness for a new term please check the following information:

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Forefield pupils are PROUD to maintain a high standard in personal appearance. The strict adherence to our school uniform fosters a feeling of identity and co-operative spirit within our school and limits the influence of frequent changes in fashion and the resultant cost to parents.



We wear:

A royal blue V-neck school pullover or cardigan (with or without the school logo)

Grey tailored trousers or shorts with grey socks

Grey pinafore or skirt with white socks, grey socks or tights

A white shirt and school tie

Black school shoes (not trainers or boots)

In Summer it is cooler to wear a white polo shirt or blue gingham dress





P.E. KIT (indoor)

navy/black shorts (no cycle shorts), white short sleeved T-shirt (without motifs), black pumps short white socks

GAMES KIT (outdoor)

navy jogging or tracksuit white short sleeved T-shirt (without motifs) trainers short white socks

Children must have a hairstyle that is neat and tidy. It must not be in a fashion that draws undue notice or attention to the child. For safety reasons, hair below shoulder length should be tied back.

Children should not wear make-up or nail polish and for health and safety reasons the only permitted jewellery is plain stud earrings and a wrist watch.

When we return to school on Monday, 5th September, children in Years 4, 5 and 6 should arrive at 8:45am.

We ask that pupils in Year 3 arrive on the playground at 9:00am. Miss Berry, Miss Mawdsley and Miss Khan will meet their new classes on the playground and line them up ready to start the day!

At hometime (3:30pm) could parents please wait behind the red cones to enable teachers to dismiss their classes and hand them over to a responsible adult.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Have a lovely summer!

P A Swift



Diary for week beginning 18th July 2022

Monday:

Tuesday:

2.00 SCHOOL CLOSES FOR SUMMER HOLIDAY

MENU

Monday	Tuesday
Sausage Roll	Cottage Pie
Baked Beans	Carrots & Broccoli
Hash Brown	
(V) Cheese Quiche Mixed Salad ½ Jacket Potato	(V) Meatball Marinara Baguette Coleslaw Potato Wedges
Chocolate & Banana Brownie	Mini Cookie with Fruit Slices