



Frieth CEC Primary School

NEWSLETTER

April 2021: 1

I do hope you have all had an enjoyable Easter weekend. We had a very busy final week of term, the absolute highlight of which was our Easter Fun Day, which I am sure will now become a tradition at the school. See photos below. Thank you so much for all your generous donations which helped us to create 12 raffle prizes, including some lovely hampers. The children enjoyed their chocolate tombola and all their activities too and the P.T.A. reported that they raised over £1,200 which is wonderful news! The P.T.A. have been very generous this year and have purchased a huge number of things to enhance the education we offer, including subscriptions and laptops. They couldn't do it without your help, so thank you and please do give your support to our wonderful P.T.A.



We ended the term with a lovely Easter Service, led by our Year 6 pupils and we were delighted to welcome Rev Sue Lepp as our special guest. We enjoyed our first sing-a-long of the term in our bubbles and the Buzzards sang beautifully to KS2 from the playground!



TISSUES APPEAL



'Tis the season to be snotty! With hay fever and colds upon us and the 'catch it bin it' rule in force, we have now

depleted our supply of tissues and would be very grateful for any donations of boxes (not travel please as the children can't get them out quickly enough!) We are also getting through a lot of hand soap, so if you fancied throwing an antibacterial moisturising handwash into your trolley as well you would be very popular indeed! Many thanks for all your support!



WORKPARTY

The next Frieth work party is being held on Saturday 24th April from 9am until 12 noon. Please do pop in at some point if you can.

RED NOSE DAY

Thank you for helping us raise £175.36 for the comic relief charity! It was lovely to see how many children donated their own coins.

UNIFORM SALES

Having a clear out? Got any uniform you've grown out of? We are going to start selling second hand uniform and are looking for donations of washed uniform that is in good condition. Please bring them to the office.



The £625 raised in donations last year has been sent to St Charles School in Kenya, which is regularly supported by our school.



We are now collecting ink cartridges for recycling as we have found a company who will donate money to the school for every empty cartridge donated. Watch out for the bags coming home soon!

Cool Milk

Reminder

If your child has turned 5 and you would like them to still receive milk please register at

<https://www.coolmilk.com/parents/>



BUG PROJECT!



Please see the below link giving details of an exciting project open to primary school children. Please bring entries in to Ms Green by 28th May!
<https://www.schoolscience.co.uk/bughunt>

IMPORTANT – PLEASE READ COMPLAINTS

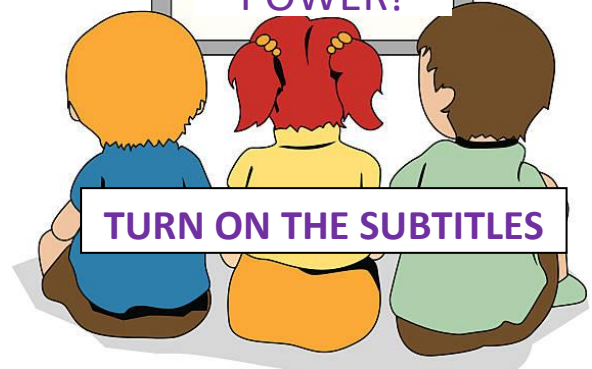
We have had several complaints from the neighbours because of behaviour from a few which makes our whole school look bad.

Firstly, please do **keep an eye on your children after school** as some are causing damage. On several days just before the Easter break, there were items of clothing, lunch boxes, pencils and litter strewn all around the green by the church. Some children have also been **moving the driveway stones** around, which apart from the fact that they are somebody's property, could cause damage to the lawn mowers as well if left on the grass. We also heard that an iron drain cover had been lifted off and placed to one side.

One elderly neighbour tried to speak to a waiting mother who had parked across his driveway with her car engine running while waiting. She was dismissive of his concerns that this was bad for air quality. Apparently, a number of our parents leave their engines running. Please could we ask you to **turn engines off**, for the sake of our neighbours and our children's lungs, as well as for our planet.

Our neighbours feel disrespected, which is so sad, as respect is one of our school values. Please could I appeal to you to show courtesy and respect to our neighbours and our village. Thank you.

TOP TIP FOR PARENT POWER!



Sometimes the simplest ideas can be the best ones and there is now a great reason to let your children watch the television without feeling guilty! Henry Warren, co-founder of the 'Turn On The Subtitles' campaign reveals that simply turning on the subtitles for children's television can make an enormous difference to their literacy and life chances! **If you turn on the subtitles on children's TV it can double the chances of them leaving school as a proficient reader!** It's as simple as that!

Multiple studies from across the world have concluded the same thing: subtitles really do improve reading, especially for weaker readers. In a Nielsen study of 2,350 children, 34% became good readers with schooling alone. But when exposed to 30 minutes a week of subtitled film songs, that more than doubled to 70%. There's an increasing body of evidence behind this, summaries of which you can find at www.turnonthesubtitles.org.

Broadcasters such as Netflix, TikTok and YouTube Kids are already running pilots, so if you suddenly found the subtitles on your Netflix account last year, that was no coincidence - you are/were part of a global trial! Spread the word!

Goodbye Student Teachers!

Our thanks to Miss Butler and Miss Wells who have been in the Buzzards and Kestrels classes this half term completing their teacher training. We haven't put them off and they are looking forward to having their own classes next year! We wish them all the very best for the future. More student teachers are joining us next term.

Out and About...



Kites and Eagles were treated to a view of the Red Arrows at the end of term as they flew over Frieth.

The two classes walked up the hill to see the spectacular planes flying over. Thank you to the parent who gave us the heads up about it!



The Kites class also enjoyed a day of outdoor learning in the woods!

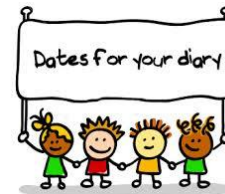


Honour Book

Congratulations to Edward Hicks for growing his brain in spelling and also to Amber Nickolls for the huge improvement in her spelling scores. Well done to both!

Multiplication Tables Check

Supporting your child to learn their times tables is one of the most useful things you can do for them! From next year, children nationally will take a multiplication tables check at the end of year 4. The MTC is a digital assessment intended to support teachers in ensuring that all pupils know their multiplication tables by the end of primary school. It enables schools to identify those pupils who may need more support with their times tables. At Frieth School we have chosen to administer the *optional* MTC to our year 4 pupils **this** June. This will take most pupils no longer than 5 minutes to complete and is an opportunity for us to familiarise ourselves with the nature of the check before its planned introduction as a statutory assessment in the 2021/22 academic year. For more information, see: [Information for parents: 2021 multiplication tables check](https://www.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/94111/information-for-parents-2021-multiplication-tables-check.pdf) ([publishing.service.gov.uk](https://www.publishing.service.gov.uk))



New dates are given in bold

- Mon 19th April: Children back to school
- Thurs 22nd April: P.T.A. Meeting 7.30pm
- Sat 24th April** **Workparty**
- Sat 1st May: Workparty at School 9am – 12noon
- Mon 3rd May: Bank Holiday
- w/b 10th May: Science Week
- w/b 24th May: Bikeability Y6
- Tues 25th May: P.T.A. Film Night
- Thurs 27th May: P.T.A. Film Night
- Fri 28th May: Break up for half term
- Mon 7th June: INSET DAY
- Wed 9th June: Photographer taking class photos**
- Tues 15th June: Y5 & Y6 Opera First Workshops
- Fri 18th June: Sports Day – details to follow.
- Tues 6th July: Transition/Moving Up Day
- Friday 9th July: Summer Queen Celebration
- w/b 12th July: Year 6 Residential Week
- Fri 16th July: School Discos
5-6pm KS1; 6.15 – 7.15pm KS2; Y6 til 8
- Wed 21st July: Leavers' Service
- Wed 21st July: Break for Summer 1.15pm

Please note that due to covid restrictions, events are subject to change and will be finalised at the last minute.

Anxiety presents itself in many different ways...

The desire to control people and events 	Difficulty getting to sleep 	Feeling agitated or angry 
Defiance and other challenging behaviors 	Having high expectations for self, including school work & sports 	Avoiding activities or events (including school) 
Pain like stomachaches and headaches 	Struggling to pay attention and focus 	Intolerance of uncertainty 
Crying and difficulty managing emotions 	Over-planning for situations and events 	Feeling worried about situations or events 



Fun Day!

