

ANNUAL PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE

At this time in the school year we often send out a questionnaire as we would like to hear your current views. We are constantly seeking to improve the school and your feedback is very important to us. We would be very grateful if you could complete the attached Parent Questionnaire and return it to Mrs Ashdown in the School Office by Friday, the 13th March. We have also sent a paper copy home yesterday via the children's book-bags. The results will then be analysed and shared with you. Thank you.

SCHOOL WEBSITE - Can you help?

We are looking for someone to help maintain our school [website](#).

Mr Perkins (parent of Lewis in Year 5) has very kindly been keeping our website up to date for over six years and he has decided to pass on the baton before the end of this academic year. Mr Perkins is willing to work with his replacement to help transfer the website details and set-up.

Please let me know if you are interested or able to help us.

WORLD BOOK DAY - THURSDAY 5TH MARCH

We are inviting the children to come into school **wearing their pyjamas OR to dress up as a character from a book.** As always, there is no expectation for the children to dress-up. Some might prefer to bring a favourite book to school to share, or they might like to draw a character, setting or front cover of a book that they have particularly enjoyed and to bring this into school.

Schools across the country have also once again been given £1.00 Book Tokens to distribute to children. These book tokens can be swapped completely free for one of the World Book Day books or used to get £1.00 off any full price book. Tokens are valid up until Sunday 15th March.

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION - NOMINATIONS BY WEDNESDAY 4TH MARCH

The Governing Body is looking to appoint a Parent Governor. Parent Governors must be elected, and we are inviting nominees to submit their application by 12noon on Wednesday 4th March 2026. A separate email with detailed information was sent to all parents yesterday. The governing body has an extremely important role in a school. It is responsible for its strategic direction working in partnership with the Headteacher. All new governors receive training to support them in their role. If you would like to know about becoming a governor please come and talk to me, or get in touch with Mr Ian Anslow or Mr Rob Dorey who are Parent Governors.

Reminders - we would also appreciate your help and support with the following:

School Uniform

We often receive comments from visitors on how smart the children look, and we would like to thank you for ensuring the children arrive at school looking clean, tidy and wearing the correct uniform! However, we have noticed recently that some items are being worn which are not part of our school Uniform Policy. Please can I remind you that friendship bracelets, wristbands, necklaces, boots or trainers are not to be worn at school. Socks and hair accessories need to be either grey, black, blue or white in colour. Sweatshirts and cardigans need to be royal blue with the school logo. Long hair also needs to be tied back.

End of the School Day and After-School Club Collections

Please collect your child/ren promptly at the end of the school day or 4.15pm if they are attending an After-School Club. Staff have daily commitments and meetings after school which they need to attend. We appreciate that there may be occasional delays and ask parents to arrange for another parent to collect your child/ren in this instance.

Packed Lunches

Children opting for packed lunches are encouraged to bring in a 'healthy, balanced lunch'. Please note that sweets, chocolate are not allowed, and crisps and biscuits are discouraged.

We have pupils in the school who have potentially life-threatening allergy to nuts and peanuts.

For this reason, it is school policy that all snacks and all packed lunches DO NOT contain foods with nuts or nut ingredients e.g. Cereal bars. Thank you.

WEAR WHAT YOU LOVE - raised £122.55

FAMILY BINGO - SUNDAY 8TH MARCH (4.00 - 6.00PM) at The Barber Rooms, All Saints Church

SPRING PARTY - FRIDAY 20TH MARCH (5.00 - 7.00PM) at Shellingford Hall

EASTER TRAIL - SATURDAY 28TH MARCH - SUNDAY 12TH APRIL in Shellingford woods

Thank you for supporting FoSS.



An updated list of diary dates for this term are included below. Further information on events will follow over the coming weeks.

With best wishes,

Judith R Terrell

DIARY DATES FOR THE SPRING TERM:

SPRING TERM FOUR		
1	Monday 23 rd February	Spring Term Four begins (School opens at 8.45am) Class 1 & 2: TA Sports Stars (pm) weekly
	Tuesday 24 th February	Class 3 / 4: Forest School / TA Sports Stars (pm) alt. weekly *see email separate parent email sent for dates
	Wednesday 25 th February	Class 3 & 4: 'Finding the Will' (Shakespeare) Drama Workshop FoSS: General Meeting (6.30pm) - in Class 4
	Thursday 26 th February	Class 3: OCMS Strings Music Tuition begins (weekly)
	Friday 27 th February (3.15 - 5.15pm)	FoSS: Film Club
2	Wednesday 4 th March (9.00 - 9.30am)	Parent Coffee Morning - in the Community Hall
	Thursday 5 th March	Whole School Event: World Book Day & 'Pyjamas and Reading'
	Sunday 8 th March (4.00 - 6.00pm)	FoSS: Family Bingo (Barber Rooms, All Saints Church, Faringdon)
3	Monday 9 th - Friday 13 th March	Whole School Event: British Science Week
	Wednesday 11 th March	Year 5/6 Parent Meeting: 'Anxiety around Exams and Transition' (3.30 - 5.00pm) FoSS: Events Meeting (7.45pm) - The Old Crown Coaching Inn, Faringdon
	Friday 13 th March (2.30 - 3.00pm)	Class 4: STEMWorks Workshop (am) Whole School Event: Celebration Assembly & FoSS Easter Stall
	Monday 16 th - Thursday 19 th March	*Last week of After-School Clubs
4	Friday 20 th March (5.00 - 7.00pm)	FoSS: Children's Spring Party
5	Tuesday 24 th March	Class 3 and 4: Forest School/TASS
	Wednesday 25 th March	FoSS: Spring Art Competition
	Thursday 26 th March (2.00pm)	Easter Service at St Faith's Church, Shellingford (led by Class 2)
	Friday 27 th March	End of Spring Term Four (School closes at 1.30pm for the Easter holidays)
Easter Holidays		FoSS: Easter Egg Trail around Shellingford Woods

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COFFEE MORNING

Wednesday 4th March
9.00 - 10.00am



ALL WELCOME!

Please come and enjoy a coffee (maybe even a pastry) and great company! Meet other parents for a chat or just a moment of calm to begin your day.

GUEST SPEAKER

Our Mental Health Support Team practitioner, Morgan, will join us as a special guest - giving a short introductory presentation about the service and staying to mingle and answer your questions.