



# Four Lanes Federation



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25<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Dear parents / carers,

As we come to the end of the first half term, children and staff are ready for a well-earned half term break. What a lot has been accomplished though! Our newest Year R children are already used to the routines of school and the oldest children in Year 6 are already thinking about next steps after primary school. We have welcomed many new families on tours in preparation for starting school in September next year; the endless cycle of school life!

There have been some exciting trips and visitors to school to enrich the children’s learning: Year 1 to Hillier’s Arboretum, Year 3’s Drumming Workshop, Year 6 Bikeability, National Poetry Day celebrated at the junior school and Year 6 trip to Milestones Museum to learn more about World War 2. More things are planned as we return to school after half term. The children have started outdoor learning with Mr Millard and this is proving to be something that all children look forward to!

We look forward to sharing celebratory moments on Class Dojo and are excited that the infant school will be starting to use this after half term!



**ClassDojo**

## National Read Aloud Challenge



The junior school are thrilled to have been congratulated on being **highly commended** in the National Read-Aloud Challenge! With over 550 registered schools and 10,000 children participating, this is no small achievement, and we are incredibly proud. Throughout the challenge, they were particularly impressed with the level of **independent reading** and how engaged the children were. They told us: “In a time when at-home reading engagement is considered to be at an all-time low, it’s wonderful to see your students embracing the joy of reading so wholeheartedly. **To celebrate your achievement**, we’ve attached a special **Highly Commended Badge** for you to proudly display on your website, social media, or marketing materials.”

## Thank you!



A big thank you for your continued generosity to all who have donated towards charity collections over the last few weeks. Please find a summary below.

	<p><b><u>Harvest Collection for Basingstoke Food Bank</u></b></p> <p>Huge amounts of donations – we are waiting for the final totals 😊</p>
	<p><b><u>Jenes for Geans day – children affected by genetic conditions</u></b></p> <p>£200 from the infant school and £206.30 from the junior school</p>
	<p><b><u>#HelloYellow – Young Minds Mental Health</u></b></p> <p>£178 from the infant school and £192.98 from the junior school</p>

In addition to the above, Friends of Four Lanes had a huge weight of donations for the Happy Bags collection which was transferred into £571.45, the biggest collection yet!





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medicaltracker

## Changes to how parents / carers are informed of any first aid incidents & medication admin

As you know we try very hard to keep parents regularly informed about first aid incidents and medication administration at the schools. To help make improvements with this process, we have decided to use a service called Medical Tracker and will be launching this across the Federation after half term. You will receive a separate letter with further information.

## Safeguarding Statement

Safeguarding determines the actions that we take to keep children safe and protect them from harm in all aspects of their school life. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility and as a school, we are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our pupils. The actions that we take to prevent harm; to promote wellbeing; to create safe environments; to promote our values of respect and tolerance and to respond to specific issues and vulnerabilities all form part of the safeguarding responsibilities of our school.

Junior School Safeguarding Leads	Infant School Safeguarding Leads
Miss N Jones Miss R Smith Mr P Jeffreys Ms R Murphy Mr N Hicks	Mrs J Docherty Mrs E Hutchins Mrs C Wheeler
Mrs J Mallaby – both schools	

## Junior School Diary Dates:

Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> Oct	INSET day – school closed for children
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Half Term Week
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Start of new term
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	FFLS Junior Discos – further information will follow from FFLS
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Anti-Bullying Week: Choose Respect, starting with Odd Socks Day on Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> Nov (wear odd socks to school)
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Children's Flu immunisations
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	BBC Children in Need
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	FFLS Christmas Fayre
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov	6.15pm New Y3 September 2024 Prospective Parents Information Evening
Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year 5 Planetarium visit at school
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 5 and Year 6 Maths Adventure Day!
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 3 trip to Ufton Court
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	2.30pm Year 3 Christmas concert for parents
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	2.30pm Year 4 Christmas concert for parents
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	2.30pm Year 6 Christmas concert for parents Christmas Lunch for children
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	2.30pm Year 5 Christmas concert for parents






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Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec 	Christmas Jumper Day (NSPCC collection) 1.15pm Infants collection time 1.25pm Juniors collection time 1.40pm Carols in the Playground
Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> Dec to Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jan 2024 (inclusive)	Christmas Holidays
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2024	Start of school

### Infant School Diary Dates:

Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> Oct	INSET day – school closed to children
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Half Term Week
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov & Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Parent Consultation Meetings 3.40 to 7.10pm
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov – Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Book Fair
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Anti-Bullying Week: Choose Respect, starting with Odd Socks Day on Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> Nov (wear odd socks to school)
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Children’s ‘flu immunisations
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	BBC Children in Need
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	FFLS Christmas Fayre
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov	6.15pm New Y3 September 2024 Prospective Parents Information Evening (junior hall)
Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year 1 Farnham Toy Museum visit to school
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec 	Year R Nativity Performance 1 - 1.45pm
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec 	YR Nativity Performance 2 - 9.30am
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec 	Christmas Lunch
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec 	Christmas Jumper Day (NSPCC collection) 1.15pm Infants collection time 1.25pm Juniors collection time 1.40pm Carols in the Playground
Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> Dec to Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jan 2024 (inclusive)	Christmas Holidays
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We all hope everyone has a wonderful half term break. If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact us via the school office or catch a member of staff on the playground.

Yours sincerely,

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Mrs J Mallaby  
Executive Headteacher

