



# Four Lanes Community Junior School

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Dear parents / carers,

It has been so lovely to see all the children settle back into school life so quickly after the Christmas break and become so focused on their learning. In order to share the children's learning, you will have received a copy of this term's curriculum newsletters via Parentmail.

As we start the Spring Term, there is some exciting news regarding new projects to enhance the children's learning environment both indoors and outdoors. We are waiting for starting dates for the following works to commence:

- All-weather golden mile track around the field
- Trim trail on the playground
- Other smaller developments outdoors around the amphitheatre and small copse area outside the playground access doors
- Design and development of a new library.

Further improvements to the site are planned and will be shared when we have more details. You will have already seen the Friendship Stop and bench as well as the new shed for playtime equipment storage. Thank you again to Mr Carr and Mr Grice for erecting the new shed.

We are aiming to redecorate a room to house the new library and wonder if there are any willing volunteers who would like to help with this next term. Please make contact if you can help.

## A message from Miss Jones



One of the aims for our school this year is to increase the amount of reading our children do, and to increase the opportunities for parents to participate in the school community.

We all know the benefits of reading for pleasure are broad and well-researched, from having better academic outcomes across the curriculum, to improving mental health and even (apparently) leading to a longer life! We want all of our pupils to benefit from these by becoming keen lifelong readers and this starts with lots of practice with a supportive adult to build their fluency and comprehension.

We are currently looking for a team of volunteer helpers who could commit to some time each week to hear readers throughout the school. Having additional opportunities to read with an adult is beneficial to all children.





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Please let us know if you are interested. There will be an application process to follow which will involve taking up references and DBS checking. We will aim to start after half term. There will be an induction and training about how best to approach this role.

## A few reminders about the school site



Between the hours of 8.15-9.15am and 2.45-3.45pm there is **no parking** in the school car park unless you are a blue badge holder.

In addition there is **no parking** on the entrance road to the school at any time as this is the access road for any emergency vehicles.



Please remember no smoking or vaping / e-cigarettes on school site.



No dogs on school site unless assistance dogs.

## Diary Dates for Spring Term:

Tues 17.1.23	Friends of Four Lanes Schools (FFLS) committee meeting at 7pm
Wed 18.1.23 to Fri 20.1.23	4CR residential to Minstead
Mon 23.1.23 to Wed 25.1.23	4SP residential to Minstead
Wed 25.1.23 to Fri 27.1.23	4AS residential to Minstead
Fri 3.2.23	FFLS Discos: Y3 & Y4 7.15 – 8.15pm; Y5 & Y6 8.30 – 9.30pm
Mon 13.2.23 to Fri 17.2.23	Half term break
Mon 20.2.23	INSET day
Tues 21.2.23	Start of term for children
Mon 27.2.23 to Fri 3.3.23	Book Week Dress up day on Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March (both schools)
Wed 8.3.23 to Fri 10.3.23	Book Fair at school
Wed 8.3.23 & Thurs 9.3.23	Parent Consultation meetings
Fri 17.3.23	Red Nose Day
Sat 25.3.23	FFLS Easter Egg Hunt





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## Key dates for rest of academic year:

<b>Mon 3.4.23 to Fri 14.4.23</b>	Easter break
<b>Mon 17.4.23</b>	Start of term for children
<b>Mon 1.5.23</b>	May Day Bank Holiday
<b>Mon 8.5.23</b>	Coronation Bank Holiday
<b>Mon 29.5.23 to Fri 2.6.23</b>	Half term break
<b>Mon 5.6.23</b>	INSET day
<b>Tues 6.6.23</b>	Start of term for children
<b>Fri 21.7.23</b>	End of term / school year
<b>Mon 24.7.23</b>	Start of Summer break

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact us via the school office or catch myself or Miss Jones on the playground.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Mallaby  
Interim Executive Headteacher

