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SHF NEWS

Friday 13th February 2026



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Headteacher's News

The end of Term 3 has been an emotional one, **saying goodbye** to Miss Volavka and Mrs Harris, but it has also been a very busy one! Year 4 showcased their dance recital on Tuesday afternoon and Year 5 spent Thursday morning making an Anglo Saxon inspired stew! In addition, the whole school acknowledged **Internet Safety Day**, recognising the benefits and considerations of life online.

Our new **Buddy Bench** for the KS1 playground has also arrived. This was in response to our pupil voice survey and provided through FOFs.

Don't forget that we have an inset day straight after half term - the school will be closed. We look forward to welcoming you to **Term 4** on Tuesday 24th February.

Enjoy Half Term!

Key Dates

**Monday 16th February -
Friday 20th February**
Half Term Break

Monday 23rd February
INSET DAY

Tuesday 24th February
First Day of Term 4

**Wednesday 25th
February**
9.15am Initial
Safeguarding Training
for Volunteers

Friday 27th February
Staff and Parent Prayers
8.20-8.30am
FOFS Pancake Flip

Tuesday 3rd March
18 Year 3 Children to
Beacon Library

Wednesday 4th March
Year 2 leading service at
All Saints Church 8.45am

Thursday 5th March
World Book Day!

Wednesday 11th March
Year 5 Earthquake
Visitor

**All term dates are
available on our [website](#).**

Safeguarding

To celebrate Children's Mental Health Week 2026, Place2Be is happy to share an activity to explore this year's theme **'THIS IS MY PLACE'**

We know that our sense of belonging as individuals, in our friendships, in school and in communities plays a vital role in our mental health and wellbeing. Belonging is the feeling of being a valued part of the groups and places that are important to us. It means feeling cared for and comfortable to be ourselves.

This resource encourages children to explore their sense of belonging by creating a personal map, which can include places, groups, or activities or something not physical where they feel they belong.



ACTIVITY AIMS:

- Increase personal sense of belonging
- Foster understanding of belonging and its importance to wellbeing

MATERIALS:

- paper or card paint, crayons/pastels, coloured pens, or pencils
- Optional (materials to cut and paste with):
 - recycled paper (ex/ from magazines and newspapers)
 - scissors, string, glue, or tape

Click [here](#) for instructions.

Gold Book

Well done for your fantastic learning:

Hedgehogs: Jenson and Lula for fantastic story maps when innovating their own story of The Little Red Hen.

Owls: Elsie, Maisie, Maeve and Amelia for great teamwork when choosing new characters for their story.

1MG: Riley and Matilda for trying hard with their place value end-of-unit assessments; Olive for improving her handwriting.

2C: Everley, Vasy, Michaela, Elliott and Lithumi for huge improvements in their handwriting.

2K: Esther for her great use of similes;

Freddie for a wonderful story about a broken robot - great variation of sentence length to build suspense.

3B: Leo for writing verbs accurately in their past tense and structuring his paragraphs well during his recount.

4J: Ricky for his detailed, labelled diagram of the ear, showing how we hear.

5N: Hope and Asher for their wonderful legend showpieces using sophisticated vocabulary.

Attendance

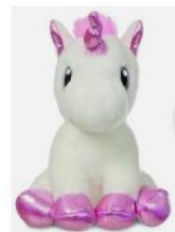


Congratulations **3B** for their attendance of 97.8% this week! Reggie Rabbit is hopping over to you.

Well done to the following classes who achieved over 96%:

1MG (97.2%), **1P** (97%), **6P** (96.4%), **3R** (96.3%) and **4M** (96.2%).

Awards



Uniform Unicorn: Well done to Autumn in 2C for setting a high standard of wearing smart uniform.

Fermor Merit: Henri in 5N received the £5 book token this week, kindly donated by FOFS, for his wonderful singing with the choir.

In Other News...

- **TA Vacancy**

We are seeking a temporary full-time Teaching Assistant to join our fantastic team in EYFS as soon as possible. Hours of work are **Monday to Friday 8.30am-3.30pm**, including a 30-minute lunch break. More details are available on our website on the [vacancies page](#). The closing date is midnight on Monday 23rd February. If you have previous experience of working with children, are enthusiastic & adaptable, and can contribute to our inclusive learning environment, then we would love to hear from you!

- **Menu**

When ordering school lunches, please remember to book these on Parent Pay prior to 8am on the day. You can find the menu for Term 4 [here](#). We encourage the children to talk to parents/carers about their preferences to ensure they are eating the lunch provided and limiting food waster.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1 Macaroni Cheese 🌱	Pork Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy 🌱	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy 🌱	BBQ Chicken with Rainbow Rice 🌱	Battered Fish with Chips 🌱
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	OPTION 2 Potato and Lentil Curry with Wholegrain Rice 🌱 🌱 🌱	Veggie Chilli Con Carne with Crispy Tortilla with Wholegrain Rice 🌱 🌱 🌱	Sweet Potato, Chickpeas and Herb Roast with Roast Potatoes and Gravy 🌱 🌱 🌱	Homemade Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges 🌱	Quorn Dippers with Chips 🌱
	OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
OPTION 3	Jacket Potato with a choice of hot and cold toppings 🌱	Jacket Potato with a choice of hot and cold toppings 🌱	Jacket Potato with a choice of hot and cold toppings 🌱	Jacket Potato with a choice of hot and cold toppings 🌱	Jacket Potato with a choice of hot and cold toppings 🌱
HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD					

SANDWICHES	OPTION 4	Sandwich with a choice of fillings 🌱	Sandwich with a choice of fillings 🌱	Sandwich with a choice of fillings 🌱	Sandwich with a choice of fillings 🌱	Sandwich with a choice of fillings 🌱
DESSERT		Wobble Wobble Jelly 🌱	Flapjack 🌱	Chocolate Brownie 🌱	Apple and Golden Syrup Sponge with Custard 🌱	Lemon Cookie 🌱



Friends of Fermor



Have a great half term and remember to get practicing on Shrove Tuesday for our sponsored **pancake flip on Friday 27th February**.

Sponsorship forms are coming home this week and must be returned before the event for your child to be able to participate. We still have afternoon slots to fill for pancake flip counters so please get in touch if you are able to volunteer (friends@fermorschool.org.uk).



Photo Gallery



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