# Farway Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Owls and Tortoises have been our Farway animal learning behaviours this week. The pupils have really begun to embed their animal learning behaviours, and are now even motivated to recognise and encourage them in each other. What have you looked closely at or noticed in your learning this week? When did you show great perseverance and not give up?

Fresh from identifying different plants and flowers, garden features, taking part in a planting workshop, and riding on a train, KS1 children have been reflecting on their enjoyable trip to Bicton Park. The children were a real credit to Farway during their trip and their excellent behaviour was observed and commented upon. Which plants or flowers were your favourite and why? Which plants, flowers or features do you have in your own garden? Don't forget to bring pictures or photos of your gardens for our class display!







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Instead of writing their own instructions, pupils in KS2 this week experienced what it is like to follow different sets of instructions, to complete a range of Egyptian themed activities. From mummifying an orange to creating their own mummy and mummy coffin boxes, the pupils were quick to notice what makes a good set of instructions.









They will be using this knowledge to inform their own instruction writing at the end of the week. Explain to someone at home what you think makes a good set of instructions? Which layouts do you prefer to follow and which features will you be selecting for your own set of Egyptian instructions?

Earlier in the week, pupils in KS2 also enjoyed a tennis workshop at Honiton Sport Centre. Thank you to the parents who helped with transport to and from this event. We appreciate your help.







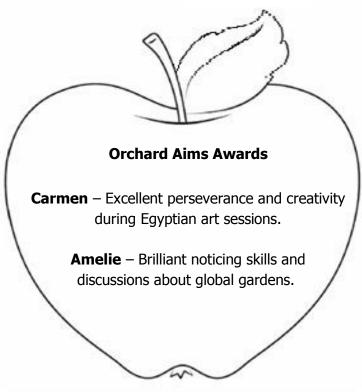


Aiming, serving and volleying the ball correctly over the tennis net to their partner were just a few of the skills taught and attempted. Explain the technique required for an accurate forward swing, or back hand shot. Which tennis skills did you find more challenging and why?

Thank you for all your continued support. God bless and have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes from Katie Gray and the staff at Farway CE School

**Question of the week:** When might it sometimes be difficult to remain friends with someone?



Key Dates Summer Term 2018 7<sup>th</sup> May- May Day Bank Holiday

14<sup>th</sup> May - KS2 SATs Week

18<sup>th</sup> May – Royal Wedding Celebrations.

22<sup>nd</sup> May- May Day Afternoon

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May- Non Pupil Day

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 1st June - Half Term

13<sup>th</sup> June- Key Stage 2 Trip to Royal Albert Memorial Museum, Exeter.

#### **Key Stage 2 Trip to the Royal Albert Memorial Museum, Exeter.**

This trip has now been rearranged for Wednesday June 13<sup>th</sup>. We thank you for your patience with this unexpected change. Please look out for a separate letter, which will be sent home in due course, regarding this trip.

### **Royal Wedding Celebrations**

On Friday 18th May we will be having a 'Royal Street Party' in the afternoon to celebrate the marriage of Harry and Meghan. We would like the children to come to school dressed as someone in the Royal Wedding Party or as a wedding spectator dressed in red, white and blue. We would like the children to bring some party food (perhaps with a royal theme!) to share on the day. We would also like the children to bring a donation for charity which will be used to support our Federation Community Fund which is used to sponsor a child in Ghana.

#### May Day Celebrations, 22<sup>nd</sup> May

Can you believe it's that time of the year again when the Maypole is once again gracing our school playground? The children are already keenly learning the routines and dances in preparation for Farway's Mayday celebrations, which will take place in the afternoon on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

On the day we will provide matching costumes for the children. The boys will need to come to school dressed in a white shirt, black or grey shorts or trousers, black or grey socks and plimsolls. The girls will need to wear a white shirt and white socks. The king and queen will need their own special costume. We very much look forward to seeing you on the day to share the festivities!

### **Fundraising for Playground Soft Surface**

We are going to start fundraising to raise funds, so that we can upgrade our preschool playground area, to a soft bouncy, rubber surface. This will make a huge difference to the outside area, which is in constant use by the children. If you have any ideas on how we can raise funds, please let us know. Thank you to those of you who have been in touch.

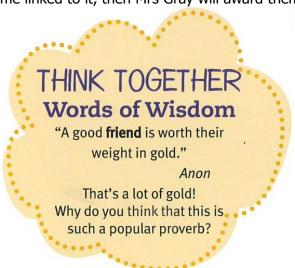
# **Honiton Learning Community Sports Events**

Throughout this year, we have the opportunity to take part in a selection of sports events at Honiton Community College. We would like our children to take part in as many of these events as possible, as they are a wonderful opportunity for the children to be involved in Physical Education, alongside friends from the Federation and other children in the Learning Community. They are also lots of fun! As the events are often only for a select age range, we would appreciate parent's help in transporting children to and from these activities.

The remaining event during this half term will be Kwik Cricket, on **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May**, for Key Stage 2. If you are able to help transport children, to this event, please speak to Tamsin in the school office. These events cannot take place without parent volunteers, so we would really appreciate your help. Thank you!

## **Collective Worship Activity**

This term we will be focussing in school on the value of Friendship. We hope your family will find these ideas helpful as you explore the value and have fun together. If the children bring back something that you have done at home linked to the Collective Worship activity, or can talk about a discussion they've had at home linked to it, then Mrs Gray will award them with a new special sticker.



#### Please order meals for

The menu is on the school website <a href="www.farway.devon.sch.uk">www.farway.devon.sch.uk</a> - Please look at week 1.

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