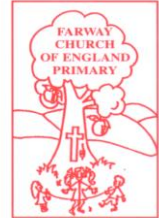


# Farway Church of England Primary School



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27<sup>th</sup> April 2018

Dear Parents,

Farway pupils started the week with a roar by celebrating St George's Day, and discovering the history of the legendary tale of St George and the dragon, while also learning who the real St. George was and how brave he was for standing up for his religious beliefs.

KS1 children took turns to act out the legendary tale of George and the Dragon, before sequencing and retelling the story in their own words. The children then took part in a variety of St George's day crafts such as puppet and flag making. In science, KS1 children made attempts to draw and write about their own garden before looking at and describing a selection of some of the world's most famous gardens. Which garden features did you like the best and why?

KS2 also worked creatively by designing a St George and the dragon game and generating a set of instructions for someone to play their game. In science, the children reflected on their previous practical session to demonstrate what happens to the food we eat by generating a set of instructions to explain how the digestive system works.

All pupils also took part in a variety of British Values activities – specifically Democracy and Rule of Law. To end their day of celebrating the English Patron Saint, pupils collaborated together to bake a quintessential English cake; the Victoria sponge.



Linked to our collective worship theme of 'Friendship' and baking a 'Friendship' cake, the children were tremendously excited to be baking a 'real life cake!' Explain to someone at home all the maths questions which arose when we baked the cake, without using scales! How did we calculate the ingredients without using scales?



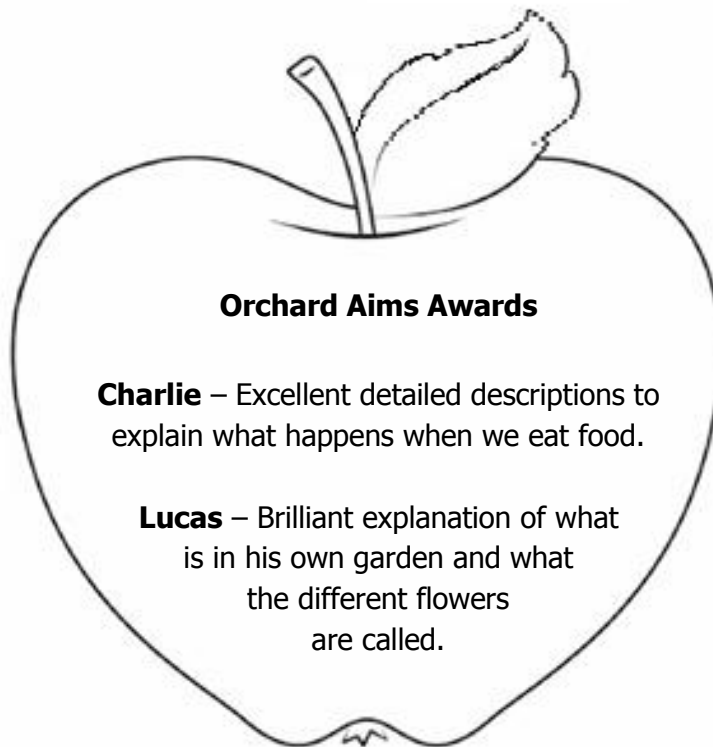
Farway children also took part in an informative internet safety workshop, where they were reminded about the importance of withholding all personal details and information while online despite how easy it might be to be tricked into giving more details away to strangers. Explain to someone at home why thinking before you act is so vital when you are online. A big thank you to the few parents who were able to stay for the session after school and for supporting your children with their online safety.

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 do you sometimes have to be as brave as St. George was?



**Orchard Aims Awards**

**Charlie** – Excellent detailed descriptions to explain what happens when we eat food.

**Lucas** – Brilliant explanation of what is in his own garden and what the different flowers are called.

## Key Dates

### Summer Term 2018

30<sup>th</sup> April – Mini Tennis Event for KS2 at Honiton Community College

7<sup>th</sup> May- May Day Bank Holiday

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

18<sup>th</sup> May – 'Ready Steady Write' Day

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

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

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

## Reminder

A reminder to please look in your child's book bag, at the end of each school day. Important letters, notices, and your child's homework are sent home in the bags every week. Thank you.

## 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.

This next event for Key Stage 2, is Mini Tennis on the afternoon of **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April**. **Thank you to the parents who have volunteered** to help with transport to and from this event. A reminder that **no child can attend this event without a completed SOE3 permission form**.

The remaining event during this half term will be Kwik Cricket on **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May**. 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!

## Free School Meals

As part of the new universal credit system, that is being rolled out across the country, the criteria for claiming free school meals is changing. This may mean that previously ineligible children, now qualify for free school meals. In addition any child who qualifies for free school meals will then be eligible until 2022, regardless of circumstance, and without the need for reassessment. We are therefore encouraging all parents to go online at <https://new.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/school-meals> and check their eligibility. As well as you as a family gaining free meals, school gets extra money into its budget for every child who is entitled to free school meals. So please check your eligibility and apply if able.

## 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.



## FASCINATING FACTS

### Friendship Bands

**Friendship bracelets** are usually handmade and given to a special **friend**. According to American tradition you must wear the bracelet until the cords break and it falls off naturally. In this way you honour the love and hard work your **friend** put in to making it.



### Raksha Bandhan

One special type of **friendship** bracelet is a Rakhi. Each year, normally in August, many Hindus mark Raksha Bandhan. The festival is a celebration of family life and in particular the relationship between brothers and sisters. They remember and talk about special times together, and think about loyalty, closeness, trust and their everlasting **friendship**.

- Traditionally sisters tie a sacred thread, a Rakhi, on to their brothers' wrists.
- In response the brothers give their sisters a gift promising to help them whenever the need arises and to always protect them.
- Celebrations continue throughout the day with gifts of sweets and special food as families enjoy the time they share together.

**Please order meals for** \_\_\_\_\_

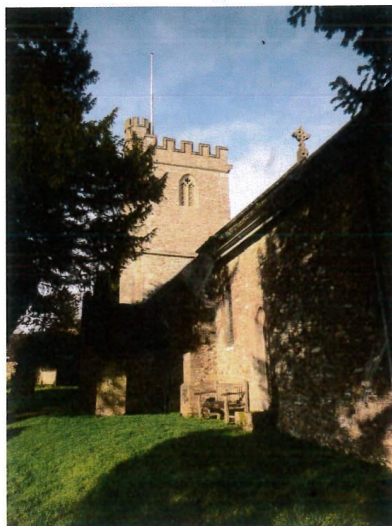
The menu is on the school website [www.farway.devon.sch.uk](http://www.farway.devon.sch.uk) - Please look at **week 3**.

|           | Menu Choices for Week Beginning 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2018 | Cost £2.50 per meal |
|-----------|---|---------------------|
| Monday    |   |                     |
| Tuesday   |   |                     |
| Wednesday |   |                     |
| Thursday  |   |                     |
| Friday    |   |                     |
|           | Amount Enclosed   | £                   |
|           | Please make cheques payable to Devon County Council         |                     |

***In accordance with our policy, if you pay for your child's meals then payments for school meals should be made on the Monday before the meals are taken.***



## **St Michael and All Angels Church, Farway**



Your village church has had to undergo major repair to its roof, costing many £1000's. Fortunately, the church had a 'rainy day' fund for such an occasion.

Our forefathers of the village must have made serious efforts to build the church hundreds of years ago. Whatever the next 100 years unfold for the church, surely it's up to this generation to at least maintain the building.

Our 'rainy day' fund has been seriously depleted and we need to rebuild it. If anyone has any new ideas for some fund raising please contact Andrew Baily 01404 871 215 or Tara Huffman 01404 871 372 with suggestions. Alternatively, any donations to such an appeal would be gratefully received.

## **May Half Term Holiday Activity Clubs @ Honiton Primary School**

**Location:** Honiton Primary School

**Who:** Age 5-14 years

**Times:** 8.30am - 4pm

**Cost:** £15 per day

**Dates:** Tuesday 29th – Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2018

**Clothing:** Sports clothes and trainers recommended

**Lunch:** Packed lunch and snacks, plus extra bottle of water

**Children will have the opportunity to take part in a selection of sporting activities and games.**

**TO BOOK PLACES - CONTACT ADAM WATSON**

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**ONLY 30 SPACES AVAILABLE PER SESSION – FIRST COME FIRST SERVED  
(A MINIMUM OF 15 CHILDREN TO ATTEND FOR DAYS TO RUN)**

**DEADLINE TUESDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> MAY 2018**