

Farway Church of England Primary School

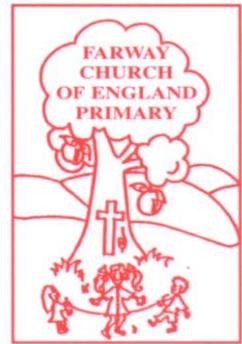
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Dear Parents,

Well, the sun has continued to be out and the sky has continued to be blue and the children at Farway have carried on having another brilliant week too!

'Daisy, Daisy, give me your answer do!' is the song we've all been eagerly singing this week after our enjoyable Ready Steady Write day. The children have shown incredible collaboration during their mixed, and same age group, activities.

After listening to the original 1894 phonograph recording of 'Daisy Bell' composed by Harry Dacre, the children attempted to join in, by singing the familiar tune. There were many interesting words and phrases some of us had not heard of before, in the original song lyrics. Can you remember what a tandem is?

To start the day off, the children headed outside to the PE shed. Their paired challenge was to construct a 'bicycle built for two!' In no time at all we quickly saw wheels and pedals being carefully constructed alongside seats and handle bars. Some of the children went even further by adding a chain, suspension, a basket and a bell. The imagination, creativity and technical language displayed was tremendous! How inventive you all are!



After returning back inside the classrooms, the children learnt different action songs about bikes, and cycle safety. KS2's overall writing outcome for the day was to create an information guide, for staying safe on a bike. The pupils worked methodically to recall the key features of an information text and to identify and plan their own format. Titles, sub-headings, paragraphs, bullet points, technical vocabulary and information were a priority on their success criteria. Some of the children also chose to add questions or top tips for their guides.

After singing a selection of bicycle songs and thinking of their own actions to follow, KS1 children studied the different parts of a bike and what they're used for. They then began to create a story map based on a bicycle adventure. Linked to their present literacy unit of Farmer Duck, many children chose to write about the adventures of a duck on his bike! Where did the duck ride and who did he see on his adventures?

The day came to a celebratory close with a lovely sharing session between all pupils, showcasing all their hard work and the processes undertaken that day. Do look out for the display which will be created to show the learning processes undertaken and the successes of the day and the incredible effort from all the children in their themed writing event day.

Next week is National Anti-bullying Week. In school, we will be planning a range of activities to support the children in their thinking about how they can help to combat bullying in their own lives and the lives of those around them. The theme of this year's anti-bullying campaign is "All Equal, All Different" and we hope that it will be a celebration of the children's individuality and uniqueness. In celebration of uniqueness and individuality, we will be taking part in the anti-bullying Alliance's "Odd Socks Day". We are inviting children to wear odd socks to school on Monday 13th November, to celebrate their own unique special-ness.

Also as next Friday is Children in Need, we will be celebrating by asking the children to come to school wearing inventive, decorated 'Pudsey' Ears. Donations of £1 towards children in need will be gratefully received.

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:

Key Stage 1: What happens when people get married?

Key Stage 2: What was the greatest invention ever?

Key Dates

Autumn Term 2017

13th November- Hockey at HLC for KS2 children.

15th November - Parents' Evening – please see a separate letter which has been sent home.

12th December – Christmas Play (evening)

19th December- End of Term

Pupil Absence

All parents should have received a letter this week relating to our Attendance Policy. Please be assured that this letter was sent to all parents across the federation, on advice from Devon County Council Educational Welfare Team. The letter is sent just to remind parents of the regulations relating to absences from school. The letter was not sent because of holidays that individual families may have taken or requested. If this seemed to be the case it is purely coincidental with the timing of this letter. If you have any queries about holidays in term time please do not hesitate to talk to Mrs Gray.

Hockey

On Monday children in Key Stage 2 will take part in a hockey tournament, at Honiton Community College. Please can all children remember to bring a packed lunch, car seat and their gum shields with them? A reminder that no child will be able to play without a gum shield. Please can you also make sure that you have returned a completed SOE3 permission form for this event? Thank you.

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 term the events are scheduled to take place on Mondays. The next event, is **Dance**, and will take place in the afternoon of **Monday 4th December**, and is for children in **Key Stage 2**. If you are able to help transport children to and from this event, please speak to Tamsin in the school office. Any help with this would be gratefully received.

Coats

Please can all children come to school with a coat. The weather is not always quite so tropical now and we still go out - even when it is cold or at the end of a rain shower.

Parents' evening

Our Parents' evening will take place on Wednesday 15th November. A separate letter was sent home last week, to arrange a parents' evening, time slot. You should have received a slip in your child's book bag letting you know when your appointment will be. Please let Tamsin in the office know, if you have not received an appointment or need to rearrange. Thank you for your help with this.

Collective Worship Activity

This term we will be focussing in school on the value of Justice. 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.



HALL OF FAME

Lady Justice

Lady **Justice** is one of the most famous landmarks in London. It is a bronze statue that stands on the domed roof of the Old Bailey.

This building houses the central criminal courts where people who are accused of breaking the law are tried by a judge and jury to find out if they are 'guilty' and should be punished or 'not guilty' and can go free.

Lady **Justice** was designed to be a symbol of **justice**: in her left hand she carries the scales of truth and fairness and in her right hand a double edged sword representing the power of reason and **justice**.



Please order meals for _____

The menu is on the school website www.farway.devon.sch.uk - Please look at **week 3**.

	Menu Choices for Week Beginning 13th November 2017	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.