

HARVEST CELEBRATIONS



Thank you to everyone who donated packets and tins of food for the local foodbank. Children have learnt about the important work of charities and that poverty can affect people in their own community as well as further away. The children have enjoyed a harvest celebration, singing some of our favourite songs.

HOME READING CHANGES

This term has seen some exciting changes to reading at Fulwell Infant Academy with an increased focus on home reading. We have been very lucky to be able to buy new decodable books linked to our phonics programme and are very excited about sharing them with you after half term.

When children read at least 3 times a week they will receive a raffle ticket as well as a house point. These raffle tickets will be drawn at the end of each half term and children will be in with a chance to win a book! There will also be class awards.



STARBOOKS



After half term we will be launching our very own 'STARBOOKS', a cosy and inviting reading space designed to inspire a lifelong love of reading. Children will be given a weekly slot to visit 'STARBOOKS' and choose a book. They will bring the book home to enjoy and share with an adult. These books will not be recorded weekly but will only be changed on return of the previous book. This means that if children would like to keep the book longer than one week, they can!

MEET THE TEACHER

'Meet the Teacher' and 'Curriculum' meetings have taken place this half term. These were opportunities to learn about the school day, topics, teaching and learning and how you can help at home.

We value your continued partnership and thank you for your support. Please don't hesitate to contact school if you have any questions or concerns.



BEAR AND A BOOK

Readers of the week will now get the chance to bring home a 'Bear and a Book'. The reward bag contains a cuddly panda, a hot chocolate to enjoy, a story book and a diary to share photos or writing about stories enjoyed alongside the panda.

The bags must be returned to school on a Monday!



AUTUMN TERM EVENTS

Have a look at some of the fantastic events and activities that have taken place this half term:

DIWALI

On 20th October, school had a 'Miles Away Monday' enrichment day. We learnt all about Diwali, the Hindu Festival of Light. We dressed in bright clothes, and learnt about Diwali traditions. There were some exciting activities taking place across school including making rangoli patterns, Mendi patterns, dancing and decorating Diya's (lamps).

Some classes even tasted traditional Diwali sweets.



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

On 1st October we celebrated Black History 'Standing Firm in Power and Pride'. The influential figures we learnt about were:

Year 2: Barack Obama

Year 1: Nelson Mandela

Rec: Mary Seacole

Nursery: Garrett Morgan



RED SKY DAY



On Friday 17th October, we wore red/hearts, raising funds for The Red Sky Foundation. We raised £355 for important work and life-saving equipment to support the Children's Heart Units across the region. Thank you!

#HelloYellow



On Friday 10th October, we celebrated World Mental Health Day in yellow. Each class participated in a yoga session and mindfulness activities.

HELLO YELLOW

YEAR 2 - GREAT FIRE OF LONDON TRIPS



This week, Year 2 have visited West Boldon Lodge to take part in a Great Fire of London workshop. All children had a brilliant day, behaved well and were polite and respectful. They did Fulwell Infant School proud. Well done year 2!



UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES FOR AUTUMN 2

3.11.25	Return to school Halloween/Bonfire Night Celebration (Fancy dress)
10.11.25	Odd sock day (Start of anti-bullying week). Year 2 parents meetings (1.30pm - 5.30pm)
11.11.25	Year 1 visit to Cineworld: The Smurfs
12.11.25	Year 1 parents meetings (1.30pm - 5.30pm)
14.11.25	Children in Need (non-uniform - SPOTS) - donations for Children In Need
17.11.25	Reception parents meetings (1.30pm - 5.30pm)
24.11 - 28.11.25	Nursery: Parents as Partners. Details to be confirmed
1.12.25	Scholastic Book Fayre in school all week
8.12.25	Reception Christmas performance 1 - 2.30pm
9.12.25	Reception Christmas performance 1 - 9.30am Year 1 Christmas performance 1 - 2.30pm
10.12.25	Year 1 Christmas performance 2 - 9.30am Year 2 Christmas performance 1 - 2.30pm Nursery Christmas stay and play sessions (AM and PM)
11.12.25	Year 2 Christmas performance 2 - 9.30am Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Lunch
15.12.25	Year 1 Christmas Party (pm)
16.12.25	Year 2 Christmas Party Year 1 singing for residents at Number 2
17.12.25	Nursery Christmas Parties Reception singing at the library 10am—10.30am Year 2 visiting the Stock (PM)
18.12.25	KS1 singing at Peter Stacey House (PM) Reception Christmas Party (PM)
19.12.25	Polar Express Day (Wearing Pajamas) - donations for school fund
	School Closes for Christmas
5.1.26	Return to School