

>>> NEWSLETTER <<<

FRADLEY PARK

Primary & Nursery School

At Fradley Park we believe "What happens early, matters for a lifetime"



HEADTEACHERS NEWS OF THE WEEK

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE <<<

Well done to all the children who entered the 'Summer Reading Challenge' this year. We will continue celebrating certificates and medals in our Celebration Assembly on Fridays. Thank you to those parents who managed to fit library visits and reading into their busy family lives over the summer.

Unfortunately, the trophy escaped us this year, but we are pleased to have made a good start. We are in-line with some of our neighbouring schools and, with such a small number of children, I think that's great. It would be wonderful if everyone could get on board with the challenge next year so that we can keep improving on our reading participation over the summer months.



Wishing you the most wonderful weekend!
Chrissie Allen - Headteacher

Lichfield Schools Reading Challenge Trophy
Congratulations to our winners

St Joseph's - Lichfield

School	% Completers 2023	% Completers 2022	% Completers 2021	% Completers 2019
St. Joseph's	59.1%	55.1	46.9%	44.07%
St. Michael's	41.8%	40.8	38%	51.1%
Christ Church	31.4%	31.4	28.6%	50.8%
St. Peter and St. Pauls	27%	27	13.9%	17.5%
Scotch Orchard	24.4%	11	8.5%	31.4%
Streethay	17.1%	17.4	12%	n/a
St Spires Academy	14.3%	19	13.7%	22.2%
Charnwood	13.7%	13.7	4%	14.8%
Lionfield Cathedral School	12.6%	12.6	4.8%	12.9%
Chadsmead	11.9%	16	5%	12.8%
St Chad's	11.7%	11.7	9%	22.9%
Fradley Park	10.1%	n/a	n/a	n/a
St Stephens	10.1%	6%	3.4%	12.8%
Willows	9%	8	1.6%	8.2%
Whittington	7.6%	7.6	4.4%	14.5%

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE YOUR Lichfield Staffordshire County Council THE READING AGENCY

THE GOLDEN BOOK <<<

We have added another layer to our recognition of your children's achievements this year. THE GOLDEN BOOK (which must be said in a booming voice!) is a place for the Fradley Team to collate work and notes on children who have really impressed them. All the children will receive a gold star but each week certain children will be selected for the Headteacher's Award.

>>> HEALTHY FOOD

We have included some links to healthy food choices in the newsletter this week. Please use this information to plan healthy snacks for your child when necessary e.g. snacks for Tea Club, Packed Lunches for trips etc. Please avoid sending in sweets and chocolate bars.

As highlighted last year, please do not bring in cakes or sweets to give out to children on special birthdays or occasions. We feel it can put parents under pressure to accept unhealthy snacks for their children and we work hard in school to keep treats to a minimum. If you would like to celebrate your child's birthday with the class, how about donating a 'Birthday Book' to your child's class for them to share and enjoy for many months.

>>> UPDATES ON THIS WEEKS LEARNING!

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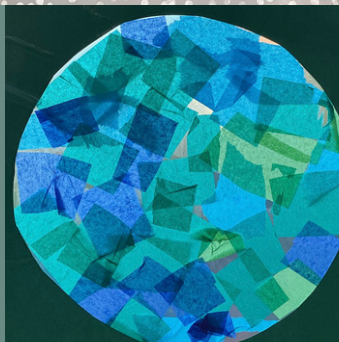
NURSERY TEAM UPDATE!



This week in Nursery we have been learning all about the world around us, as part of our whole school book focus on 'Here We Are' by Oliver Jeffers. The children have shared their knowledge of our planet, learnt new information about our world and had fun making their own planet Earth suncatchers. We have also created self portraits for displays in school and had lots of fun enjoying the changeable weather in our outdoor space.

This is the first week that children have attended their normal sessions and we couldn't be more proud of how they have settled into their new routines.

Have a lovely weekend!



RECEPTION TEAM UPDATE

Reception have had a busy first full week. We have been learning our first sounds in phonics: s, a, t and p- it would be great to see them practising these at home and sharing them on Tapestry for us to look at in school. This week we have started drawing club and it has been very popular with the children- they have loved sharing their ideas and we have loved seeing their imaginations truly shine. In other news, the children have been enjoying their new topic about earth and creating a video to send to aliens to see if they would like to visit us on earth, this can be watched on Tapestry!



YEAR 1 TEAM UPDATE

Year 1 have started their phonics, literacy, maths and many more lessons this week. The teaching staff are very impressed with the children's attitude to their learning. For this half term, we are focusing on the book 'The Three Little Pigs'. The children could not wait to get started on writing 'wanted' posters in order to catch the Big Bad Wolf with fantastic descriptive sentences on them! Some children even wanted to make a HUGE 'wanted' poster on our new outdoor chalk board so that everybody who walked past Year 1 would see it.

Year 1 have also had their first music lesson this week where they have learnt to play the recorder. At the end of the school year, Year 1 will be putting on a musical recital to show off their new skills!

In History this term, we are learning about the past and how time has changed. We have learnt about how jobs at home are done now such as washing dishes in the dishwasher and how they were done in the past. The children will be writing questions that they would like to ask about the past over the next week. We would like to invite grandparents and any great-grandparents of our Year 1 children to come in and visit us on 26th September at 9:00am to be asked questions by our children. We promise we will be kind! The children will then take notes on the answers given. Please do not worry if your child's grandparent/great-grandparent cannot attend, we can group children together. The session will roughly last for a maximum of 30 minutes. I would be extremely grateful if you could let Miss Pearson know either via Tapestry or in person if your child's grandparent/great-grandparent can attend so a rough idea of numbers can be gathered.



DIARY DATES

20/09/2023	Wednesday	Stay & Play - Friends of Fradley
27/10/2023	Friday	Half Term (1 week)
06/11/2023	Monday	Inset Day (school closed)
21/12/2023	Thursday	End of Term
22/12/2023	Friday	Inset Day (school closed)

**100% ATTENDANCE ACROSS SCHOOL
THIS WEEK!!**

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ATTENDANCE MATTERS

**Attendance matters at
Fradley Park Primary
and Nursery School.**

**The more our
children attend
school, the more we
can learn, achieve
and celebrate
success together.**

Nursery Attendance - 100%
Reception Attendance - 100 %
Year 1 - 100%
Fradley Parks Grand Total - 100%

**Every school day counts!
Thank you for supporting your
child's attendance at Fradley
Park.**

Friends of Fradley Park

*You're
Invited!*

Stay and Play

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Wednesday 20th September
3.15pm - 4.30pm
Practical Classroom

PLEASE ENTER VIA THE DOOR NEXT TO THE YEAR 1 CLASSROOM

Join us for coffee, cake and a catch up after the holidays.

Meet some of the Friends of Fradley Park.

Find out about some of our plans for the year ahead.



Please could you let the school office know that you are coming via email fps-office@fps.jtmat.co.uk
Thank you.