

Newsletter – 27th March 2024



Dear Parents

Thank you to everyone who joined us at the FoTIS Spring Spectacular Fair last Friday. The FoTIS team work so hard to organise these events so I'd like to say thank you to them too. Ice creams, magic and chocolate were a winning combination. Thank you, FoTIS.

OPAL

If you are having a Spring clean or a sort out over Easter we are on the lookout for the following:

- Old electrical items (toaster, kettle, microwave, grill, hoovers)
- Old electronics (phones, cameras)
- Planks of wood, cable drums and empty plastic barrels
- Pogo sticks and table top football games

We are also looking to furnish our Celtic roundhouse so it can be used as a comfortable, quiet seating area for those who want to read a book or colour instead of playing. If you have any unused plastic or rattan garden furniture, chairs and/or tables, we would be VERY interested! Our next 'stay and play' session for parents and carers will be on Tuesday 7th May. Please do join us if you are able to.

Helping Hands vouchers

Families with children eligible for free school meals, early years' pupil premium or 2-year-old funded free education places are entitled to a **£30** digital voucher to assist them during the Easter break. These were sent on 18th March. For children who are not eligible but whose families need urgent support with food, Buckinghamshire Council have the Helping Hand scheme operating. Please contact helpinghands@buckinghamshire.gov.uk

Easter holiday activities

Some of the free activities in Aylesbury that children can get involved with over the holidays include:

- The Easter duck trail' – from Thursday 28th March find the seven hand painted ducks that are hiding in the windows of different businesses in the town centre. There are prizes to be won. https://www.aylesburytowncouncil.gov.uk/event/easter-duck-trail/?instance_id=4721
- 'A BeeBots Tale' at Aylesbury Library (coding for 5-8 year olds) – Tuesday 2nd April 10.00am and Thursday 4th April 11.00am and 2.00pm-3.00pm (*pre-book at the library*)
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- Medal making at the Paralympic Heritage Centre - Thursday 11 April 2:30pm to 3:30pm

And finally

I hope that everyone is able to enjoy some time with family and friends over the Easter bank holiday weekend. We look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 15th April.

Dates for the Diary	
March	
Thursday 28 th	End of Term (finish at usual time)
April	
Monday 15 th	Start of term
Wednesday 24 th	Year 2 trip to Woburn Safari Park, returning at 4.00 pm
Friday 26 th	Eid Party – children can wear non-uniform to school
Monday 29 th	Bag2School, 9.00 am
May	
Monday 6 th	Bank holiday, school closed
Tuesday 7 th	OPAL session for parents 9.00 -10.00 am – Reception 10.00 -11.00 am – Year 1 11 am-12 pm – Year 2
Wednesday 8 th	Year 1 trip to Warwick Castle, returning at 4.10 pm
Wednesday 15 th	Reception trip to Waddesdon Manor
Tuesday 21 st	Whole school photograph 9.00 am <i>Please make sure children arrive in school on time to be included in the photograph.</i>
Wednesday 22 nd	Farm visiting school (Nursery & Reception)
Friday 24 th	Break up for half term holiday (finish at usual time)

TERM DATES 2023-24		
	Open on morning of	Close at end of afternoon of
Summer Term	Monday 15 April 2024	Friday 24 May 2024
	Tuesday 4 June 2024	Tuesday 23 July 2024
Staff Training Days	Thursday 4 January 2024 Friday 5 January 2024 Monday 3 June 2024	
Bank Holiday	Monday 6 May 2024 (school closed)	

TERM DATES 2024-25		
	Open on morning of	Close at end of afternoon of
Autumn Term	Thursday 5 September 2024	Friday 25 October 2024
	Tuesday 5 November 2024	Friday 20 December 2024
Spring Term	Tuesday 7 January 2025	Friday 14 February 2025
	Monday 24 February 2025	Friday 4 April 2025
Summer Term	Tuesday 22 April 2025	Friday 23 May 2025
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