



Newsletter – 3rd October 2025

Dear Parents

We've had two further events for parents at school this week. Thank you to all the Reception parents who joined us in Reception for our introduction to reading workshop and thank you to everyone who came along to the OPAL 'Stay and Play' morning.

This week we have also attached an additional joint letter from Turnfurlong Infant and Turnfurlong Junior Schools regarding term dates and INSET days for 2026/2027.

Harvest Donations

We would be very grateful for any gifts of tinned or packet goods. These can be brought in next week beginning 6th October please. Aylesbury Vineyard Storehouse will take and distribute the food, so we are not asking for any fresh produce. Suggestions for donations are

- Tinned meat
- Spreads (jam etc)
- UHT milk
- Instant noodles
- Pasta sauces
- Rice & individual microwave rice

Year 2 Harvest Assembly - Friday 10th October, 9.00-9.30 am

Year 2 will be presenting the Harvest Assembly and all Year 2 parents are most welcome to attend.

OPAL

The weather is now becoming wetter and colder. Please can you make sure that your child has the following in school:

- A change of clothes (named and stays in school)
- Welly boots (named and stays in school)
- A waterproof coat

Library – Book Change Days

Year 2: Fridays

Year 1: 1P - Monday

1H - Tuesday

1B - Wednesday

PE

This is a reminder that children must have their PE kits in school, including plimsolls or trainers. **School shoes cannot be worn for PE.** On PE days, children should not wear earrings (unless they can remove them safely themselves).

PE days

Tuesdays - 2C & 2S

Wednesdays - 1B & 2M

Thursdays – 1H & 1P and all Reception classes

FoTIS Updates

New Committee

Following the AGM on the 24th September a new committee was formed with the following members:

Co-Chairs: Sarah Bianca and Erica Hill
Vice Chair: Iara Da Silva
Treasurer: Rebecca Adamson-Henley
Secretary: Christopher Skimming
Honorary Members: Monica Foreman, Tammy Jackson, Nisha Shamugavel, Jo Clancy and Leanne Bonner

We need your help:

FoTIS Volunteers 2025/26
WhatsApp group



We have a WhatsApp group that we message on when we're looking for helpers. Whether it's baking cakes for a cake sale, helping at tuck shop or supervising sponsored bounce etc, we'll publicise it on that group and we'd love your help. Simply scan the QR code to join the WhatsApp group and support our fundraising efforts.

If you'd like to learn more before joining the group then do email us at contactfotis@gmail.com or find one of us in the playground during drop off/pick up.

FoTIS dates for your diary

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Thursday 23 rd October	Non-Uniform Day - £1 suggested donation Tuck Shop in the playground after school
Tuesday 4 th November	Little Acorns Christmas Artwork templates to be returned to school in book bags
Friday 14 th November	Non-Uniform Day (in exchange for a donation towards the children's tombola for the Winter Fayre)
Friday 21 st November	Non-Uniform Day (in exchange for a donation towards the adults' tombola for the Winter Fayre)
Saturday 22 nd November	Winter Fayre in the school hall

TERM DATES 2025-26		
	Open on morning of	Close at end of afternoon of
Autumn Term	Thursday 4 th September 2025	Thursday 23 rd October 2025
	Tuesday 4 th November 2025	Friday 19 th December 2025
Spring Term	Tuesday 6 th January 2026	Friday 13 th February 2026
	Monday 23 rd February 2026	Friday 27 th March 2026
Summer Term	Monday 13 th April 2026	Friday 22 nd May 2026
	Tuesday 2 nd June 2026	Wednesday 22 nd July 2026
Staff Training Days	Wednesday 3 rd September 2025 Friday 24 th October 2025 Monday 3 rd November 2025 Monday 5 th January 2026 Monday 1 st June 2026	
Bank Holiday	Monday 4 th May 2026 (school closed)	

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Autumn Term	Thursday 3 September 2026	Friday 23 October 2026
	Tuesday 3 November 2026	Friday 18 December 2026
Spring Term	Tuesday 5 January 2027	Friday 12 February 2027
	Monday 22 February 2027	Thursday 25 March 2027
Summer Term	Monday 12 April 2027	Friday 28 May 2027
	Tuesday 8 June 2027	Wednesday 21 July 2027
Staff Training Days	Tuesday 1 September 2026 Wednesday 2 September 2026 Monday 2 November 2026 Monday 4 January 2027 Friday 28 th May 2027	
Bank Holiday	Monday 3 May 2027 (school closed)	

KEY DATES - 2025-26	
October	
Friday 3 rd	Parent information target sheets sent home
Monday 6 th	Photographer in school for individual photos
Monday 6 th	Parent Discussions 5.30-7.30 pm
Tuesday 7 th	Parent Discussions 3.30-4.30 pm
Wednesday 8 th	Parent Discussions 3.30-4.30 pm
Friday 10 th	Year 2 Harvest Assembly, 9.00 am
Friday 17 th	Year 2 visit to Road Farm, Gt Missenden.
Wednesday 22 nd	Parent involvement morning – Oracy
Thursday 23 rd	FoTIS Non-Uniform Day – suggested donation £1 FoTIS Tuck Shop after school
Friday 24 th	Staff training day (children not in school)
November	
Monday 3 rd	Staff training day (children not in school)
Monday 10 th	Diwali dance with Kalpesh
Friday 14 th	FoTIS Non-Uniform Day – donations for children’s tombola
Monday 17 th	Flu immunisations (Reception-Year 2)
Friday 21 st	FoTIS Non-Uniform Day – donations for adult tombola
Saturday 22 nd	FoTIS Winter Fayre
Monday 24 th	SEND Coffee Morning with our SENDco, Mrs Gerhardt, 9.00 -10.00 am
Friday 28 th	FoTIS Tuck Shop after school
December	
Thursday 11 th	Reception Christmas production, 9.15 am
Friday 12 th	Christmas Jumper Day FoTIS Tuck Shop after school
Monday 15 th	Year 1 Christmas production, 9.15 am
Tuesday 16 th	Year 2 Christmas production, 9.15 am
Thursday 18 th	Christmas party day
Friday 19 th	Carols around the tree (afternoon)
January	
Monday 5 th	Staff training day (children not in school)
Monday 26 th	SEND Coffee Morning with our SENDco, Mrs Gerhardt, 9.00 -10.00 am

February	
Friday 6 th	FoTIS Sponsored Bounce
Thursday 12 th	Parent involvement morning
Friday 13 th	FoTIS Non-Uniform Day – donations for bake sale FoTIS Bake Sale after school
March	
Monday 9 th	Parent Discussions 5.30-7.30 pm
Tuesday 10 th	Parent Discussions 3.30-4.30 pm
Wednesday 11 th	Parent Discussions 3.30-4.30 pm
Monday 23 rd	SEND Coffee Morning with our SENDco, Mrs Gerhardt, 9.00 -10.00 am
Wednesday 25 th	Eid party
April	
Monday 27 th	SEND Coffee Morning with our SENDco, Mrs Gerhardt, 9.00 -10.00 am
May	
Monday 11 th	Year 2 SATs week 1
Friday 15 th	Pyjamarama Day
Monday 18 th	Year 2 SATs week 2
June	
Monday 8 th	Year 1 Phonics check / Year 2 recheck week
Monday 15 th	Meeting for new parents (starting school in September 2026)
Monday 22 nd	Open Evening
Monday 29 th	SEND Coffee Morning with our SENDco, Mrs Gerhardt, 9.00 -10.00 am – Year 2 parents only
July	
Friday 3 rd	Beach Day
Saturday 4 th	FoTIS Summer Social
Tuesday 7 th	Move up day 1
Wednesday 8 th	Move up day 2
Monday 13 th	SEND Coffee Morning with our SENDco, Mrs Gerhardt, 9.00 -10.00 am
Thursday 16 th	Sports Day (am)