

14TH
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2025



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Dear families,

As we come to the end of another half term we wanted to take a moment to reflect on what a truly positive and half term it's been here at Dringhouses. From engaging learning experiences in the classroom to wonderful workshops, trips, and the fantastic events hosted by FODS, there has been so much to celebrate. We are incredibly proud of all our children's hard work and enthusiasm.

A gentle reminder to those who haven't yet had the chance to fill out the family survey that was sent last week — your feedback is invaluable to us. Thank you so much to all the families who have already shared their thoughts and suggestions. Your kind comments and constructive ideas for areas of improvement are greatly appreciated and will help us continue to grow and provide the best experience for everyone in our community.

Wishing all of our families a restful and enjoyable half-term break! We look forward to welcoming you back soon for another exciting term ahead.

Warm regards,
Miss Swiers

DATES FOR NEXT HALF TERM

- 4th March: KSI trip to Flamingo Land and Zoo
- 4th March: UKS2 History to Life Viking Workshop
- 4th March: Year 5 PGL Parent Meeting (3.30pm-4pm)
- 4th March: Class 6 & 7 trip to Tropical World
- 5th March: Class 8 trip to Tropical World
- 5th March: FODS meeting (7.15pm-8.15pm)
- 6th March: World Book Day
- 10th March: UKS2 Art Gallery Parents Invited (2.45pm)
- 11th March: Book Fair
- 12th – 14th March: Year 5 PGL trip
- 20th March: KS2 Spring Concert (1.30pm-3.30pm)
- 1st April: Parents evening (3.30pm-6.30pm)
- 2nd April: Easter service at st Edward's Church
- 3rd April: Parents evening (3.30pm-6.30pm)
- 4th April: Rocksteady Concert (10am)
- 4th April: End of Term

ATTENDANCE AT DRINGHOUSES

Please see below our attendance for each year group this week. Please remember that each missed session has an impact on your child's educational journey. Please see the attendance for this week below.

Reception: 95% Year 1: 99% Year 2: 96% Year 3: 95% Year 4: 92% Year 5: 95% Year 6: 90%

The classes with the highest attendance this week were Class 5. Well done for an excellent 99.6% attendance. 'Attendi Pengi', our giant (very cute!) penguin will be spending the week with them after half term.



SCHOOL TRIPS

Just a quick reminder that next half term KS1 are going to Flamingo land and LKS2 are going to Tropical World, please return any outstanding permission slips to the office as soon as possible.

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTIONS 2025

Following the recent parent governor election the following candidates have successfully voted onto the Schools Governing Body:

Matthew Boxall

Sarah Costello

Congratulations to them both.

KS1 UPDATES

This half term, KS1 have been learning about dinosaurs and have loved delving into all their history knowledge. This week they loved their dinosaur workshops by Dinostar. They got to touch a real T Rex skull, dinosaur eggs and more! They also made fossil copies and had a chance to ask questions to a dinosaur expert. What a wonderful experience!



FODS

EYFS/KSI Party: It was a joy to see 120 children coming along to the party yesterday. The magic show was excellent and we witnessed some amazing dance moves from both children and staff! A huge thank you to the many volunteers who stayed and helped, to the teachers who stayed after school, and most of all to Vicki and Tracy who did the hard work organising it all.

Bake Sale: Thank you so much for all your kind donations.

Date for your diary: The next FODS meeting Wednesday 5th March at 7:15pm.

ADAMS AQUATICS HALF TERM SESSIONS

Adams aquatics have some teacher training in February half term for award level teachers. These swim sessions are teacher training and a vital part of their training is working with real children. They are offering these sessions at half price and if you book the full 4 days there will be an additional discount.

The times are as follows:-

Mon, Tues, Weds 3pm till 5pm

Thurs 1.30pm till 3pm

It is £5 a session or 4 sessions for £15 this cost is for the full session, children can stay 30min, 1 hour or more (This will also be dependant on level and if they tire).

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