



January 21, 2020 Spring 1

Reports

Next week you will receive the first of this academic year's report cards detailing your child's progress, achievement and attitude to learning.

There will be a meeting at school at 2.30pm and 5.30pm on Monday, January 27th explaining the format of the report. Parent/Teacher meetings will then take place the week beginning February 10th.

Shine & Dine

Our next Shine & Dine is on January 28th. Year 4 parents are invited into class at

School Closures

Please don't forget Monday, March 9th is an in service training day for teachers . School will also be closed for Years R to 5 on May 7th as it is polling day. School will be open to Year 6 only the morning of May 7th.

The Kite Family of Schools
Our Mission: Together we inspire a lifelong love of learning which enables children to achieve more than they ever believed possible

The Kite Academy Trust
Flying high together

Dear Parents,

We have had many visitors to Fernhill since the start of term and each and everyone of them has commented on the wonderful children they meet in school. I have been so proud of our community of learners. Their manners, attitude and friendly nature have impressed all of our visitors. Well done, Fernhill!

As always, school has been a hive of activity. Year 5 have started their research on Egyptians and Year 3 have busy learning about the relationship between division and multiplication—keep practicing those times tables everyone! Reception class enjoyed learning about Chinese New Year this week and Willow Class (Years 1 & 2) have been investigating waterproof materials. Year 6 have practiced their debating skills learning about the environment and Year 4 had a visit from a magician who taught them a rather clever card trick!

Preview learning is sent home every Friday so you can help your son(s) or daughter(s) get a head start on the following week's learning. Please encourage your child to complete the suggested activities. We are very pleased to announce that The Kite Academy Trust are happy to offer **free Stay & Play Sessions** to pre-school children this half term. The next session is at **1.30pm on Friday, February 7th**. There will be lots of activities for the children including play and duplo, paint the spaghetti, potato printing and lots of other fun things to do. Coffee or tea for the grown ups is also provided and it's a great opportunity to chat to other parents! All sessions are held at Fernhill Primary.



Stay & Play Dates:
Friday, February 7th
Monday, March 2nd
Monday, March 30th
Monday, May 4th

Our School Rules

At the beginning of the year we introduced our reviewed school rules to the children. Our rules are simple:

- Be Ready
- Be Safe
- Be Respectful

At Fernhill, we believe in rewarding positive behaviour and children are recognised for making the right choices in school by remembering these rules and demonstrating good learning behaviours: resilience, resourcefulness, reflection and collaboration.

A Marvellous Me reward is sent home in recognition of the right choices children make in school and certificates awarded for achieving 25, 50 and 75 awards..

There are times when children find it difficult to make the right choice and provision is in place to help children turn their behaviour around.

Great Learning!

Well done to the following children who have all been on the Celebration Bench this term for demonstrating great learning behaviours:

If your child has received a certificate this half term, please don't forget to join us at 2.40pm on Friday, February 14th for our Parent Celebration Assembly.

Winter Warmer

All children are invited to come back to school in their pyjamas for a bedtime story of hot chocolate at 5.30pm on Thursday, February 6th. You must bring either a teddy bear or a sibling with you and of course little brothers and sisters (and teddy bears!) are invited! Look out for the invitation letter and further information which will be sent out soon!



School Reports

School reports will be sent home next week. The format of these reports is new and may be unfamiliar to you. The accompanying letter will explain how assessments are made. An information meeting will also be held on Monday, January 27th at 2.30pm and repeated at 5.30pm to explain the format and process of assessment.

Parent Teacher meetings will take place in the final week before half term when you and your son and/or daughter will have an opportunity to discuss the report with your child's class teacher.

PTA AGM

Please come and join us straight after school on Monday, February 10th for our annual AGM. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available and children welcome. As a school, we rely on fundraising to help provide the "extras". Your support either on a "one off" basis or more regularly is really appreciated. Please come and get involved!



Calendar

- Monday, Jan 27th 2.30 & 5.30pm ... Assessment Information Meeting
Tuesday, Jan 28th 11.30am ... Year 4 Shine & Dine
Thursday, February 6th 5.30pm ... Winter Warmer
Friday, February 7th 1.30pm ... Stay & Play
Wednesday, February 12th ... Parent Teacher Meetings
Thursday, February 13th Parent Teacher Meetings
Friday, February 14th 2.40pm ... Celebration Assembly with Parents

Monday, February 17th to Friday, February 21st—Half Term

- Tuesday, Feb 25th Sponsored Pancake Race
Wednesday, Feb 26th 11.30am Year 5 & 6 Shine and Dine
Monday, March 2nd 1.30pm Stay & Play
Monday, March 9th Inset Day. School Closed
Thursday, March 19th Come & Ask session with our Family Support Worker
Monday, March 30th 1.30pm Stay &Play
Wednesday, April 1st Holly Lodge School Band performing at Fernhill (children only)
Friday, April 3rd Mayor of Rushmoor visiting Fernhill. Celebration Assembly with Parents

Monday, April 6th to Friday, April 17th—Easter Holiday

- Monday, April 20th ... First day of summer term
Monday, May 4th 1.30pm ... Stay & Play
Monday, May 7th Polling Day—School closed except Year 6 (morning only)
Friday, May 8th Bank Holiday/School Closed
Monday, May 11th to May 15th Key Stage 2 SATs

Kite Trust Family Hub

The Kite Family Hub is located next to Mytchett Primary & Nursery Academy, Hamesmoor Road, Mytchett, Surrey, GU16 6JB

We are excited to have opened the Kite Family Hub this term! The Kite Family Hub is led by our Lead Inclusion Advisor, Suzie Andrews, and Family Support Workers. We believe that parenting is the most important task that most of us will ever do, but it can also be the most challenging. With this in mind, the Kite Family Hub aims to provide Kite families with support, advice and guidance in a friendly and non-judgmental manner, as they care for their children.

We support families through:

Universal access to support (available to all Kite families without referral).

Reinforcing the link between home and school by supporting parent/carers at attending school meeting when required.

Offering group and individual support in meeting the needs of children's challenging behavior.

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Support for families through difficult situations and troubling times (e.g. illness, addiction, domestic abuse, financial concerns, etc.).

Helping families through periods of transition (e.g. to school, parental separation, moving house, bereavement, new siblings, etc.).

Guiding families towards additional sources of support and making referrals to outside agencies. A good partnership between home and school means that support is available to help every child thrive and achieve their very best. Family support is available to you in the following ways:

1:1 in the home - your family will have a unique support plan tailored to your needs (academy referral required).

1:1 'Come and Ask' sessions - one-hour appointments are booked in advance and held across the Kite schools (no referral required).

The Incredible Years and Nurturing Programme courses - both are 10 week evidence based programmes, looking at positive parenting solutions (no referral required).

Hot topic parent/carer workshop sessions - held across the Kite academies (no referral required but places do need to be booked in advance).

Drop-in sessions such as our Stay and Learn session and coffee mornings. Please find attached our timetable for this term. Please do also look out for additional events, which will be advertised via academies.

