



FERNHILL SCHOOL

COMMUNICATION HOME

20th September 2019

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s)

Welcome to my weekly update at the end of what has been a busy and exciting week at school.

Thank you so much for attending the 'Welcome to...' evenings for your child's year group. We hope that you have found the information useful and thank you for the positive comments made.

As I write, we are waiting for Hampshire County Council IT Services to migrate our new website onto the correct address. This should not take long (we hoped it would be today) but rest assured this is not our doing - we are ready to go! In the meantime, do keep up to date with our news by following the Facebook feed - I notice it has had lots of 'follows' and 'likes' so thank you. On that note, it does look rather boring with only text on each post - some students have been really slow at returning the image consent forms that went out last week, so please can we have these back asap? Thank you.

Some of the prefects and Year 7 students have accompanied me to visit feeder Junior Schools this week to advertise the school's Open Evening and tours, we received a very warm welcome. Open Evening takes place next Wednesday 25th September at 6 pm. Please remember that we close early next Wednesday at 1.20 pm to set up for this important event.

Finally, we are expanding our appeal and have branched out into radio advertising! Keep an ear out on **96.4 The Eagle** between now and next Wednesday and you will hear our new radio advert for Fernhill!

Macmillan Cake Sale Friday 27th September

Students are invited to buy cakes in support of Macmillan's Cancer Support on Friday in the hall at break and lunch. Please do 'get baking' for this great cause, donations of cakes very welcome!



It will be a lovely day tomorrow and do enjoy the sunshine. Have a great weekend

Mark Kingswood

Letters and Information issued this week

GCSE Photography trip to Kew Gardens - Tuesday 8th October 2019

Images consent form – issued last week, please return to tutors asap, thank you.

To view letters home <http://www.fernhill.hants.sch.uk/Forms-and-Letters-home>

Fernhill School Library

Library Clubs

Writing Club - Tuesday lunchtime and after school 3 – 4 pm, with Miss Hudson. It was lovely to see so many students last Tuesday and she would be delighted to meet new Year 7s. All you need is an enthusiasm to write!

Library Club - Wednesdays 3 – 4 pm

Join us for stories, games and biscuits. Plus, we will be holding a Harry Potter event in December. Come along to find out more!

RBC Community Lottery

Support your school library, win 25K or an entertainment bundle – see poster attached.

To support Becci's status at the school we have a dedicated Rushmoor Lottery page and we would be delighted if you could sign up to help raise funding towards her continued residency. Please go to:

<https://www.rushmoor.gov.uk/communitylottery>

Calendar of Forthcoming Events

To view the school calendar <http://www.fernhill.hants.sch.uk/Calendar>

September 2019

23rd	Year 6 parent and student tours 9.00 – 10.00 am
24th	Year 6 parent and student tours 9.00 – 10.00 am
25th	Early closure for students 1.20 pm
25th	Open Evening for prospective students and their parents 6.00 – 8.00 pm
27th	Macmillan Coffee morning
30th	Year 6 parent and student tours 9.00 – 10.00 am

October 2019

1st	Year 6 parent and student tours 9.00 – 10.00 am
1st	Year 11 Post 16 Options Evening 6.00 – 7.30 pm
10th	Year 6 parent and student tours 9.00 – 10.00 am
8th	Kew Gardens visit – GCSE Photography students
11th	Year 6 parent and student tours 9.00 – 10.00 am
15th	HBA ceremony – selected students
17th	Year 6 parent and student tours 9.00 – 10.00 am
18th	Year 6 parent and student tours 9.00 – 10.00 am
23rd	Year 6 parent and student tours 9.00 – 10.00 am
24th	Year 11 Parents' Evening 4.30 – 7.00 pm
28th Oct	AUTUMN HALF TERM HOLIDAY
to 1st Nov	

November 2019

4th Return to school

14th Year 7 Parents' Evening 4.30 – 7.00 pm

27th Ex Year 11 Certificate Evening 6.00 – 7.00pm

December 2019

5th Year 10 Parents' Evening 4.30 – 7.00 pm

20th School closes at 12.20 pm for CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

January 2020

6th Return to school for Spring Term

23rd Year 8 Parents' Evening 4.30 – 7.00 pm

30th Year 9 Options Evening 6.00 – 8.00 pm

February 2019

13th Year 9 Parents' Evening 4.30 – 7.00 pm

17th – 21st SPRING HALF TERM HOLIDAY

24th Return to School

March 2019

19th Year 11 Parents' Evening 4.30 – 7.00 pm

19th Year 6 coffee morning and tours 9.00 – 10.15 am

20th Year 6 coffee morning and tours 9.00 – 10.15 am

25th Year 8 Specialist Studies Information Meeting 6.30 pm

26th Year 11 GCSE Success Fair

April 2019

3rd School closes EASTER HOLIDAYS at 12.20 pm

20th Return to School for Summer Term at 8.35 am

May 2019

8th Bank Holiday (re: VE Day) - school closed

25th Bank Holiday - school closed

26th – 29th SUMMER HALF TERM HOLIDAY

June 2019

1st Return to School at 8.35 am

25th Year 7 Parents' Evening 4.30 – 7.00 pm

July 2019

1st Sports Day

2nd Year 6 Induction Day

6th – 10th Year 8 Tile Barn residential visit

6th Year 4 and 5 tours 9.00 – 10.15 am

13th Year 10 Parents' Evening 4.30 – 7.00 pm

14th Finals Day 4.00 – 6.00 pm

14th Prizegiving Evening Years 7–10, 7.00pm

16th Year 4 and 5 tours 9.00 – 10.15 am

17th School closes for SUMMER HOLIDAYS at 12.20 pm

20th INSET DAY 3, school closed to students

21st INSET DAY 4, school closed to students

22nd **INSET DAY 5, school closed to students**

August 2019

20th GCSE results issued