



Comic Relief – Red Nose Day 2024



Great fun was had by all on Friday 15th March when we held Red Nose Day events in school. This included the 'fireball dance challenge' and culminated in the annual gunging of the selected member of the leadership team. Once again, this was voted by all pupils and students. This year's 'winner' was Sarah Thorp.



What's Next?

This year's What's Next event will be held on Wednesday 15th May 2024 in the school hall. The event has been jointly organised by both Foreland Fields School and Stone Bay School.

This is an opportunity to look at post-school options by meeting with a range of providers and identifying support and resources available in the local area.

The event is open to parents/carers of students aged 14 and above. More details to follow.

For more information contact Sharon Bremner at the school office or via email: sharonbremner@foreland.kent.sch.uk



Arrangements for Collection of Children from School



In the event that your child is being picked up from school by someone who does not normally collect them, could you please inform your child's class teacher who will inform the office. In most cases, we will provide a password for the person to quote in order that we know the right person is collecting. It is a safeguarding requirement that we know who is collecting each child. We are not able to release any child into the care

of someone who is not known to us without prior knowledge.



Circus Days

Educational and fun circus workshops for schools

Circus skills workshops provide a wealth of benefits across all ages and abilities. They encourage teamwork and can improve self-esteem and mental health through a celebration and acceptance of different abilities. Circus skills develop the fundamental skills of movement, co-ordination and balance, as well as supporting the development of gross and small motor skills. The workshops also improve the sense of achievement, through learning new things, reducing stress and heightening a sense of well-being. They are also great FUN!



We were very lucky to have the opportunity to have an amazing 2 days with Phil Blackmore, who came to join us a few weeks ago, and held circus skills workshops. Every class across the school, including our satellite classes, were able to access the workshops. Everyone had great fun watching Phil's amazing performance skills and trying out their own. There was tightrope walking, plate spinning, stilts, peacock feather balancing and scarf juggling to mention a few.

Traffic

You will all have noticed that with the increase in children, there is an increase in the amount of traffic at the beginning and end of each school day. Can we please ask that parents/carers use caution when dropping off and picking up their children.

Could we please ask that parents/carers:

- do not park on the main road leading to Royal Harbour Academy.
- do not walk their children in through the vehicle entrance – please use the zebra crossings.
- do not park in the marked disabled bays unless their child is a wheelchair user.
- always use the pathways when walking around the school grounds.



We must be alert to the fact that, as adults, we are acting as role models to our children and they are looking at us to know how to behave. Taking unnecessary risks could ultimately lead to injury.



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Emergency Contacts

It is a requirement that schools and colleges hold more than one emergency contact number for each pupil or student. Could you please ensure you provide at least one, but preferably two, additional emergency contact numbers for your child and that these numbers are current.

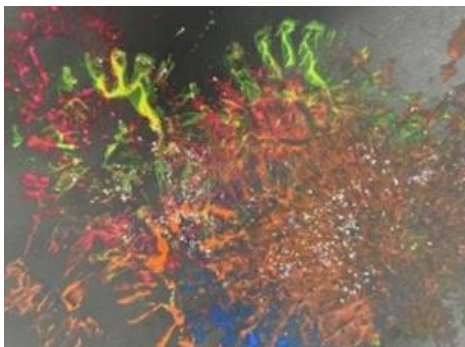


Royal Academy Young Artists Summer Show

Thank you to those parents who sent in work for the Royal Academy Young Artists' Summer Show. As a school we have submitted 19 pieces of work for the competition.

Winners have the opportunity to have their work showcased online and at a prestigious London gallery.

Here is a selection of some of the excellent submissions.





Playground Opening During the Easter Break

Once again we will be opening our playgrounds to parents/carers of children within our infant and junior departments.

Playgrounds will be open between 9am and 12pm on Tuesday 2nd, Thursday 4th, Tuesday 9th and Thursday 11th April.

The infant playground should be used by pupils in Year R/KS1 (Year 2 and under). The junior playground should be used by pupils in Key Stage 2 (Year 3 and over). Siblings who do not attend the school are also welcome to attend.

A staff member will be on hand however, parents/carers are responsible for the supervision and support of their own children. Whilst we will have toilets for children to use, we are unable to provide any drinks or snacks. If any parent/carer would like to bring anything with them, they are more than welcome.

Should any of these dates change, or should there be a need to cancel any sessions, we will post messages on ClassDojo.



Holidays During Term Time

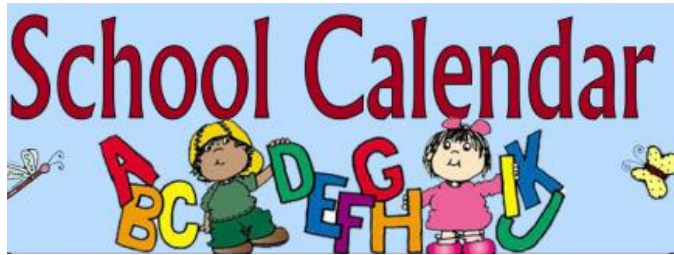
Please be aware that time off for holidays during term time will not normally be granted. Headteachers are not permitted to agree leave of absence during term time unless they are satisfied that there are exceptional circumstances.

Where leave of absence is not agreed and the pupil or student is out of school, or an application has not been made in advance, the absence is recorded as unauthorised. Please ensure that any request for leave of absence is made at least 2 weeks in advance. Please note, retrospective approval cannot be granted.

For more information, please visit:

<http://www.kelsi.org.uk/pru-inclusion-and-attendance-service-pias/attendance/absence-during-term-time>





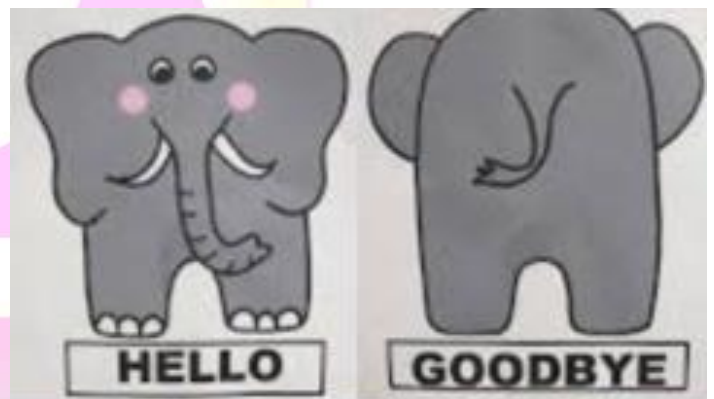
2024

- Start of Term 5: Monday 15th April
- Deaf Awareness Week: 6th – 12th May
- What's Next? Transition Event: Wednesday 15th May
- Foreland Fields School Science Week: 20th – 23rd May
- Staff Training Day 5: Friday 24th May – Pupils and students should not attend school
- World Environment Day: Wednesday 5th June
- End of Term 5 – Thursday 23rd May
- Start of Term 6 – Monday 3rd June
- School Diversity Week: 24th – 28th June
- End of Term 6 – Tuesday 23rd July

Staff Joining/Leaving the School

We are sad to be saying goodbye to both Aime Thornton and Charlie Sands who will be leaving at the end of this term. We wish both Charlie and Aime the best of luck in their future ventures. We have also said goodbye to both Clair Howe and Mary West to whom again we wish the best of luck.

After the break we will also be saying goodbye to Jo White. Jo has worked at the school for nearly 18 years and will be much missed by the pupils and students she supports, and the staff she works, and has worked, with.



This term we have welcomed the following new Teaching Assistants: Kirsty Breakspear, Natasha Russo, Tammy Pierson, Vicki Norris and Kirsty Williams. Welcome to the Foreland Fields family.





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Foreland Fields Charity Update - The Hive

The Hive is a first-of-its-kind national recreation, education, and training centre specifically designed for use by children and young people with SEND. The school and charity have worked tirelessly over the last 6 years to provide this amazing facility for use by your children during school time, after school, weekends, holidays and when they have left school!



The brilliant news is it is almost complete, with the final major building works having started this week!

We aim for a soft opening in May and a full opening in September 2024. We still require your help in lots of different ways. Large items still remaining are, 4 shipping containers, with smaller

items listed here:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/OVKX508BLXIW?ref=wl_share

If you would like to help, donate, volunteer or have any contacts, please let Diarmuid know by emailing; fundraising@foreland.kent.sch.uk



Thank you again for all the contacts and donations to date.

Diarmuid





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We hope you all have a great Easter break and we look forward to seeing all pupils and students back on **Monday 15th April**.

Adrian

