

FOSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL BULLETIN

Nursery & Reception

This week in Nursery and Reception we are continuing our learning about 'Marvellous Me', this week focussing on houses and our community. We discussed different types of houses, e.g. bungalows and flats. The children then really enjoyed going on a walk around the village to explore our community and the different features looking for the church, village hall, school etc.



Year 1 & 2

We have had a lovely week in Class 2, the children have really enjoyed their history lessons all about music from the last 60 years. (The Beatles being a new favourite!) We have also enjoyed exploring different materials in science, the children are keen to investigate more next week.

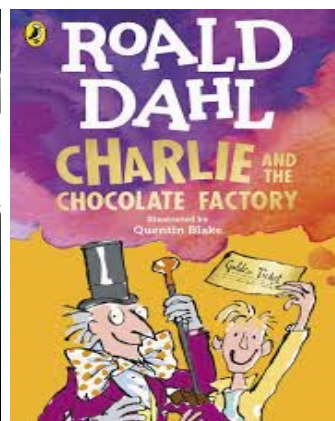
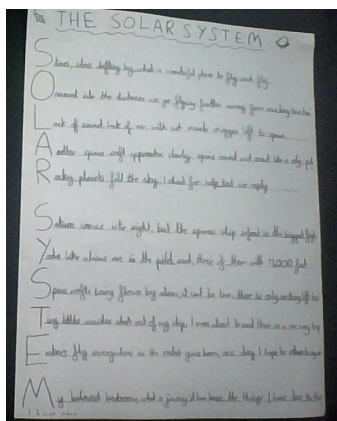
Year 3 & 4

Our Class 3 children have been enjoying our Space topic in Science and have made some fantastic 3D models of our solar system for their homework.



Year 5 & 6

This week in Class 4 we have started learning about the Cold War and have had some very detailed discussions about our solar system. Mr Marshall has also started reading our afternoon story book 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' to give our brains some recovery time the end of some busy days!



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Staffing Update

We are delighted to inform you that we have appointed Mrs J Caddy to the role of Y1/2 class teacher during Mrs Richmond's maternity leave. Mrs Caddy is an experienced KS1 teacher. You will see her about from time to time as she gets to know the children and our school. She will also work alongside Mrs Richmond and Mrs Scaife for a period of time to ensure a smooth transition. We anticipate Mrs Richmond will begin her maternity at some point in October.



Coffee Morning

On **Monday 25th September** Miss Midwood will be visiting the community coffee morning at 9:20-10:20am to run a fun session for children aged 2-4 years. Please come along for this session and see the poster attached for more information.

Reception Baseline Assessment

Next week, the children in Reception will be completing the government's Reception Baseline Assessment.

The baseline is a short, interactive and practical assessment of your child's early literacy, communication, language and mathematical skills to help inform our teaching. This is not something they need to prepare for in anyway and most children won't even realise they are even doing it!

If you would like further information about this, please speak to your child's teacher.

PAFFS AGM

We would like to invite you to the AGM of PAFFS, to be held on **Friday 6th October 2023, 3.15pm** at Foston School, one of the teachers has kindly agreed to supervise any school child whose parents/carer is attending the AGM, it is anticipated the AGM should last no more than 20 minutes, please let us know if you require this via the nomination slip attached.

PAFFS plays a vital part in the school community and all parents, as members of PAFFS, are invited to support the AGM. This is your chance to hear and see how the funds you have helped to raise have been used for the benefit of the children at our school.

The AGM is also an opportunity for you to elect the PAFFS Committee, who represent the association throughout the forthcoming year. Currently all Committee roles are filled & those in position are happy to remain so, however we are keen for some new faces, so if you would like to nominate yourself for a role, nominations should be sent in advance of the AGM, via the nomination slip attached. Existing committee members wishing to stand for re-election do not have to be nominated again.

Please see attached a brief outline of the PAFFS Committee structure including roles and responsibilities. It is worth noting that you do not need to be a committee member to be involved in PAFFS, as parents & friends of Foston school we are all members of the association by default, we would love for as many parents and friends who feel they are able, to support PAFFS in whatever capacity they can and if there are particular events or activities you would like to be involved in please let a member of the committee know. Also, we always welcome ideas for future events and activities, dates of future meetings are always communicated via the school bulletin but if you can't make them please talk to any member of the PAFFS committee or send a note via your child's class teacher or the school office.

If you would like any further information about being a Committee Member, please speak to Faye Wilkinson, PAFFS Chair.

Please return any nomination slip indication your attendance or wish to nominate yourself, as soon as possible, or by Friday 29th September at the latest in an envelope marked FAO PAFFS AGM to the office or your child class teacher.

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Diary Dates

PAFFS—Jumble Sale	Sunday 24th September, 2pm-4pm
Coffee Morning (Thornton Le Clay Village Hall)	Monday 25th September, 9.20am-10.20am
PAFFS—AGM	Friday 6th October, 3.15pm
Autumn half-term	Friday 27th October (last day at school) Monday 6th November (first day back)
Christmas	Friday 22nd December (last day at school) Tuesday 9th January (first day back)
Spring half-term	Friday 9th February (last day at school) Monday 19th February (first day back)
Easter	Friday 22nd March (last day at school) Tuesday 9th April (first day back)
May Day bank holiday	Friday 3rd May (last day at school) Tuesday 7th May (first day back)
Summer half-term	Friday 24th May (last day at school) Monday 3rd June (first day back)
Summer	Friday 19th July (last day at school)