

Newsletter No.14

9th March 2018



Falconer's Hill Academy



Broadening Horizons

Dates for the Diary

March

Tuesday 13th	DRET Primary Cup South
Friday 16th	Year 3 Swimming
Monday 19th	Parent/Carer consultations
Tuesday 20th	Parent/Carer consultations
Friday 23rd	Year 3 Swimming
	Parent/Carer Drop in Planetarium
Tuesday 27th	Primary Music Festival
Thursday 29th	Last day of school

April

Monday 16th	School reopens
	Bikability for Year 5
Friday 20th	Year 3 Swimming

Cross Country and Fun Run

Well done to all the children who took part in the Cross Country and Fun Run on Thursday 8th March. They represented the school admirably. Their behaviour was exemplary throughout the event. They participated in all the runs with great enthusiasm and a fun afternoon was had by all.



Attendance for this week

Hawk 3	91.72%	Eagle 5	95.33%
Merlin 3	96.33%	Buzzard 5	98.67%
Kite 4	96.07%	Kestrel 6	93.33%
Peregrine 4	94.00%	Osprey 6	95.00%

ParentPay

We currently use ParentPay for you to book and pay for your child's school meals. We will be rolling this out as a platform for you to pay for all school trips and breakfast club in the next few months. Our target will be that by the 30th April 2018, our school office will be CASHLESS! At the moment we have 57% of children registered on ParentPay. If you have not registered your child on here yet and require your login, please contact Mrs Carlill in the school office.



Young Carers

A Young Carer is a child under 18 who regularly helps to look after a family member or friend who is disabled, ill, has a mental health condition or addiction problem.

Children may engage in: practical tasks (cooking, housework and shopping), physical care (lifting or helping someone use the stairs), personal care (dressing, washing, helping with toilet needs), managing the family budget (collecting benefits and prescriptions), managing medication, looking after younger siblings, helping someone communicate.

Falconer's Hill Academy can support young carers. If you, or a family member, needs support please contact your child's class teacher, Mrs Whittle or Mr Hamblin. All contact will be treated in the strictest confidence.

Please remember to visit our school website regularly for useful information <http://www.falconershillacademy.co.uk/>

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Calling all green-fingered parent/ carers...

We have an exciting project starting here at Falconer's Hill Academy. We are refurbishing and re-branding the V.I.P area into a sensory garden, which will be utilised with the purpose of stimulating the senses. The stimulation will occur with the use of plants and the materials that will engage the sense of sight, smell, touch, taste and sound. We are hoping that this garden will be beneficial to both children and adults. It will provide a calm space and opportunities for both children and adults to learn new skills and about the environment around us.

We are trying to keep the costs to a minimum and use as many donated and recycled materials as possible.

As the garden season is fast approaching we are seeking support, if you can help with a donation from the list below or some time to help with the project, we would love to hear from you.

We have devised a wish list for parents and local businesses. It consists of things we would like in order to move the project further. If you can help, please don't bring it in straight away, contact Mrs Whittle who will have an up to date status on each item.

Bark for story telling area approx. 2 tonnes

Sundial

Bird bath

Bird boxes

Brushwood screening

Herb plants

Seeds

Compost

Pallets for a bug hotel

Canes

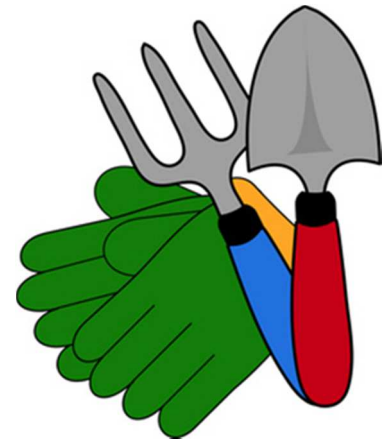
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Do you have anything else that you think would be of any use?

Would you like to make a donation on behalf of your family?

We know that many of these items will be hard to sources, but do you know someone or a business who would be willing to make a donation or donate some of the items?

We will be using the garden as place to keep in touch with nature, a relaxing place to sit and think,





We are offering a

Parent Drop in Session

Come join us for a coffee and a chat

on Friday 23rd March

at 2:45-3:15 pm

In The Planetarium

FAMILY SUPPORT LINK

Family Support Link is a registered charity based in Northamptonshire which aims to reduce the physical, psychological and emotional harm caused to *families living with, or caring for someone who is addicted to drugs and/or alcohol, empowering them to improve their lives.

Particular emphasis is placed on those we have traditionally found difficult to engage with, by encouraging a pro-active not re-active approach.

Our head office is based in Wellingborough but we have a team of dedicated staff and volunteers who carry out individual, age appropriate one-one sessions.

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Website: <http://www.familysupportlink.co.uk/index.php>

Parent Carers Support Group

Support group for parents / and carers of children and young people with additional needs. Meets 2nd Wednesday of every month between 10.30 and 12 noon. Share concerns/experience and meet other people who are also in a caring role.

For more information call 01933 677837.

Autism Concern's Family Support Team

Autism Concern's Family Support Team can advise and support parents, carers, professionals and people on the autism spectrum. It is not necessary to have a diagnosis to access our services, which include:

- Emotional support
- Behavioural advice
- Signposting to community services
- Understanding autism spectrum conditions
- Support with filling in benefit forms and applications

To contact the Family Support Service:
Email: iag@autismconcern.org
Or call: 0808 808 9090 or 01604 239404
(free from landlines)



Charity Number: 1062611

FACT Northampton

A support group for the families of children and young adults with an autistic spectrum disorder, Asperger's syndrome and ADHD.

Meetings:
the second Wednesday of each month
(term time only), 7.30 - 9.30pm.

At:
Cedar Road School (Broadway Entrance),
Cedar Road, Northampton, NN3 2JF



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