



Newsletter

26th January 2024

Friezland Flip



Our annual sponsored pancake flip will take place just after Shrove Tuesday **on Friday 16th February**. The School Council are helping to organise and run the event so start practising at home! How many flips can you do in a minute?

Today, all the children are bringing home a sponsorship form. Gather sponsors before the flip, then, collect your money after the event when you know how many flips you completed! Cash collected can be brought into school or parents can donate the total sponsor money via their Eduspot account (it's set at £1.00 but simply overtype your donation).

All children will join in the fun, with or without sponsorship. There will be a prize for the top 'flipper' in each year and the top fundraiser overall. Any funds raised will go towards our Friends of Friezland wish list for this year which includes outdoor equipment, ipads and subsidising visits and visitors.

DLP Archery Competition



A huge congratulations to Olivia, Harry, Charlie and Mollie from Class 3 who represented Friezland at the DLP Archery Competition this week. They travelled to Delph school to compete against teams from our partner schools and came **3rd place**! You can see a few photos of them taking aim on Google Classroom.

SAVE THE DATE

Celebration in Church



On **Tuesday 12th March**, we will have a whole school celebration at Friezland Church with the themes of 'Spring time' and 'Mother's Day'. We will start at **9.30am** but the church will be open earlier for you to find a seat. We should finish at 10.30am. We hope to see you there!

Easter Chocolate Bingo!



Join us for Easter Chocolate Bingo! The event will take place at **Friezland Church Hall on Friday 22nd March from 7.00pm – 9.00pm**. Tickets will be available to buy on Eduspot from Monday 5th February and the event will be cash only on the night. Take a look at the poster below for more information.

Attendance and Illness



We are aware that this time of the year can be challenging in terms of sickness. We have a target of 97% attendance for every pupil at Friezland and understand that this may not always be attainable due to illness absences. However, we would urge you to bring your child if they are well enough to attend and avoid term-time holidays as much as possible, as **every day matters**.

This is a helpful tool when deciding whether or not to keep your child off school when they're unwell. [NHS: Is my child too ill for school?](#)

Well done from the Minister for Schools

This week, we were very proud to receive a letter from the Minister for Schools, Damian Hinds, congratulating our staff and pupils on our outstanding achievement in the 2023 Phonics Screening check. With 100% of pupils in Year 1 achieving the expected standard, our school is in the top 1% of all primary schools in the country! We always work hard for *all* of our Friezland pupils, but it was a lovely surprise to receive this recognition. You can read the letter below.

Measles



There have been recent localised outbreaks of measles centred around the West Midlands. There is a risk of further outbreaks in other areas unless urgent action is taken to increase Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) vaccination take up in areas with low MMR vaccine rates.

Measles spreads very easily among those who are unvaccinated, especially in nurseries and schools. The best protection against measles for children and adults is to get both doses of the MMR vaccine. It is never too late to have these vaccinations.

The NHS also has advice for parents on measles [here](#).

Reminders:

No chess club 30th Jan
Revision Books Order closes 2nd Feb

DATES FOR THE DIARY

February

- 1st Class 3 trip to Bolton Museum (info sent out/pay on eduspot)
- 5th Healthy Me Week: E-Safety (includes visitor workshops)
- 7th Young Voices – KS2 choir concert
- 14th Freddy Fit visit – whole school
- 16th The Friezland Flip! (sponsor forms send home)
- 16th Last day of term
- 26th First day of spring 2 term

March

- 7th World Book Day (details coming soon)
- 12th Spring Celebration at Friezland Church 9.30 – 10.30
- 14th Parent's Evening 1
- 19th Parent's Evening 2
- 22nd Easter Bingo 7.00pm Friezland Church Hall
- 28th Outdoor Learning Day / Last Day of term





Rt Hon Damian Hinds MP
Minister for Schools

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Miss Rebecca Hill
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08 January 2024

Dear Miss Hill,

I am writing to congratulate you on your school's outstanding achievement in the 2023 Phonics Screening Check.

We want to ensure every child develops a firm grasp of phonics as the basis on which to improve standards of reading. As such I was delighted to see your results.

With 100 per cent of pupils in Year 1 at Friezland Primary School meeting the expected standard in the check, your school is in the top 1 per cent of all primary schools in the country.

The latest figures show that 83 per cent of pupils who met the expected standard in the check went on to achieve at least the expected standard in reading at key stage 2 in 2023, which underlines the importance of developing the ability to decode words effectively at an early age.

Your particular success in teaching phonics and early reading so effectively means your pupils are developing a firm foundation, from which they can become increasingly fluent and develop a lifelong love of reading.

I would like to thank you for your commitment and success in this vital area of a child's early education and congratulate you, your staff and pupils again on all you have achieved.

Yours sincerely,

Damian Hinds

Damian Hinds
Minister for Schools

CASH ONLY ON THE NIGHT!

Friends of



Friezland

JOIN US FOR

EASTER CHOCOLATE BINGO!

FRIDAY 22ND MARCH
7.00PM TIL 9.00PM
approximate finish time

Bring
your
own
Alcohol!

FRIEZLAND CHURCH
HALL

Bingo sheets, dabbers,
sweets, crisps, soft drinks & hot dogs
all available on the night

Tickets Available
via eduspot from
Monday 5th February

£2.50 ENTRY

First come
first served!

Pie MUST be
pre ordered via eduspot

£3.50 PER PIECE



LINGOSTARS HOLIDAY club



9AM-4PM

HALF TERM: MONDAY 19TH FEBRUARY

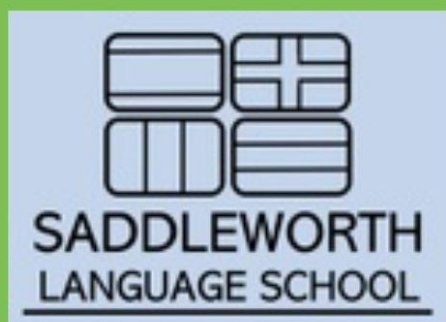
EASTER HOLIDAYS: 2ND, 3RD, 4TH, 8TH, 9TH AND
10TH APRIL

AN OUTSTANDING HOLIDAY CLUB THAT COMBINES
LANGUAGE LEARNING WITH SPORTS, EXPERTLY
LED BY QUALIFIED TEACHERS!

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SCHOOL

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OLDHAM ATHLETIC FEBRUARY SOCCER SCHOOL

MONDAY 19TH FEBRUARY - FRIDAY 23RD FEBRUARY

SPACES AVAILABLE TO BOOK!

Royton & Crompton E-Act Academy, Blackshaw Lane, Oldham, OL2 6NT.

Ages 6-12

£90 for 5 days

8:30am-3:30pm



Scan the QR code
to book your place.

**Player Visits
Chaddy Visit
FREE tickets to OAF**

For further information:
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SOCCER SCHOOL FEEDBACK

As a parent it was nice to see some girls at the soccer school, it helped both my daughters settle in from day one.

Both daughters enjoyed the week at the soccer school, learning new skills and playing mini matches!

They both spoke really highly of all the staff and as a parent I felt really confident and happy leaving them there.

What beats all other holiday camps in the area is the personal touch, with members of the Oldham Athletic first team visiting the soccer school, joining in, taking photos and signing merchandise. It was great to see and my daughters said this was their favourite part of the week.

We will definitely be signing up again.

RAFFLE

For everyone who signs up to our soccer school this February, you will be automatically entered into a raffle for the following prizes:

Tickets x4 for a Oldham Athletic home league game of your choice (Family Stand only)

Oldham Athletic Signed ball (x3 winners)

One free week at a future OACT Soccer School of your choice.

Signed Oldham Athletic shirt

One free month of sessions at OACT skill centre (x2 winners)



Scan the QR code to watch highlights from
our soccer school