



14th November 2026

Newsletter

Staffing Update



In the summer term, we shared the news that Mrs Wilson will be retiring from teaching at the end of this term. At the start of this school year, the leadership team, including Governors, carried out the recruitment process to find a new full-time teacher for Friezland. We are very pleased to inform families that Mrs Amy Smith will be joining the team and will take over as Class 3 teacher from January. Mrs Smith is an experienced teacher who is looking forward to joining the Friezland Family and preparations are under way to ensure a smooth transition for our pupils. Mrs Power will continue to teach Class 2 on Mondays and Tuesdays and will take over in Class 4 for Wednesdays. I know families will join us in welcoming Mrs Smith in January, and in wishing Mrs Wilson a long, happy and healthy retirement, when the time comes.

SEND Coffee Morning



On Thursday 27th November, Miss Kay, who is our SENCO, is hosting a short coffee morning for parents and carers of our pupils who are on the SEND register. This is the first of these events and we hope that families will join us 8.45am – 9.30am in the Lodge. The focus will be on gathering parental voice.

Nurse Visit



This week, the school Nurse visited our youngest and oldest children to measure their height and weight. She also talked to both Class 1 and Class 4 pupils about healthy eating and tooth brushing. Children were given a new toothbrush and toothpaste to take away. Tooth decay is a growing concern for children, particularly in Oldham, so ensuring our pupils understand the importance of regular brushing is essential. Top tips for children's toothbrushing:

- Brush teeth twice a day especially at bedtime and at one other time in the day.
- Use a family toothpaste that contains at least 1350ppm fluoride to give the best protection.
- Use a smear of family fluoride toothpaste for children under three and from three use a small pea size amount.
- Spit out after brushing and do not rinse with water.
- Help children to brush their teeth until they are at least seven years old.



Anti-Bullying Week



On Monday, our odd socks day brought smiles throughout the school and was a fun way to start anti-bullying week. The focus of learning, discussions and activities in classrooms has been '**using your power for good**'.

Christmas Calendar: Save the Dates!

Christmas Celebration at Friezland Church

Families are welcome to join us at Friezland Church 9.30-10.30am on Friday 5th December for our whole-school Christmas celebration.

Class 1 & 2 Nativity

Children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 will perform their Christmas show at 2pm and 6pm on Wednesday 10th December. Costume and ticket info will be shared very soon.

Christmas Jumpers Day and Christmas Lunch

Children are invited to wear Christmas jumpers with their uniforms on Tuesday 16th December and lunch will be a Christmas buffet.

Expectations Reminders



On Friday 28th November, the School Council will host our 'Break the Rules Day' when we will have lots of fun breaking some of the rules! However, in the meantime, please support us in ensuring that children are wearing the correct uniform, including P.E. kit, for school. Nail polish and jewellery are not permitted, except small studs and a watch, and long hair should be tied up. As a Healthy School, we ask that children bring a small healthy snack for breaktime and bring a clear, **plastic** water bottle. Our uniform promotes a sense of identity and pride, and our expectations promote equality and safety. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Dates for the Diary

November

- 17th - 21st DLP TT Rockstars Competition
- 18th Open Morning for Reception 2026 (9.15-10.30am)
- 21st Class 2 Guy Fawkes Drama Day (pay on Spider)
- 27th SEND Coffee Morning 8.45-9.30 LODGE
- 28th Break the Rules Day (info to follow)
- 27th Tuck Shop 3.15pm in Shelter

December

- 5th Christmas Celebration at Church 9.30-10.30am
- 10th Class 1 & 2 Nativity 2pm & 6pm
- 12th Visiting Theatre: Whole-school Christmas pantomime
- 16th Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch
- 18th Last day of term (Thursday)

January

- 6th First day of term (Tuesday)



Friezland Church Fair & Greenfield Lights

Friezland families are warmly invited to Friezland Church's Christmas Fair **TOMORROW** (15th) **11am-4pm**. Santa will be visiting his grotto, there will be stalls, christmas gifts and a café. Then on **29th Nov at 6pm**, you are invited to the Greenfield Lighting Up Ceremony. Scroll down for more information.





The Queen's Award
for Voluntary Service
The MBE for volunteer groups





**PLEASE COME AND JOIN US FOR THE
LIGHTING UP CEREMONY
OF OUR GREENFIELD CHRISTMAS TREE ON
SATURDAY 29th NOVEMBER 2025**

at
the Bridleway, Chew Valley Road at 6pm.
As usual, Christmas carols and songs will be
sung, accompanied by

Greenfield Brass Band

**The Countdown is to be performed by
Mr Frank Rothwell OBE**

Continue the celebration with refreshments and
Christmas Market at Boarshurst Band Club