



IN TOUCH NEWSLETTER

4th September 2026

EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES

On Thursday 25th September, we will be celebrating the European Day of Languages once again. Each class will focus on a different country and we will spend some time getting to know the language, the stories, the geography and the cultural life of each country. We would like the children to come dressed for the occasion in the colours of their country's flag or, if you are feeling **really** ambitious, in their country's national dress!

Thames: Spain (Red and Yellow)

Rhine: Lithuania (Green, Red, Yellow)

Zambezi: Greece (Blue and White)

Amazon: Albania (Red and Black)



Red Hat Anti-bullying Ambassadors (Years 3-6): Make a mindmap about how we can 'bring out the best in everyone.' Give these to Mrs Tooley and be prepared to talk about your ideas with her. Deadline: Friday 18th September

Librarians (Years 5 and 6): Write a short letter explaining what qualities you have that would make you a good Librarian, including any ideas you have for improving the library or to encourage reading. Mrs S Scott. Deadline: Friday 18th September

School Councilors (Years R—6): Be prepared to talk to the rest of the class about why you think you would be a good School Councilor and share ideas about what changes you think would make to make our school even better. Class Teachers. Elections will take place on International Day of Democracy 15th September.

Eco-Committee (Years 1-6): Design an eye-catching poster about an environmental issue you are passionate about, or write a To Do List of things you would like to do if you were on the Eco-committee. Mr Varela. Deadline: Friday 18th September.

Reflection Shed Monitors (Year 4): Design a poster or write a poem or prayer about wellbeing or spirituality. Mrs Buckenham. Deadline: Friday 18th September.

Junior Road Safety Officers (Years 5 and 6): Design a road safety awareness poster and take part in a joint interview with Mrs T Scott. Hand in posters by Friday 18th September.

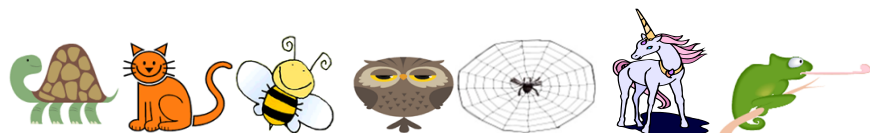
Sports Leaders (Years 5 and 6): Come and meet Ms Adamson to find out more about the role. Be ready to tell her why you think you would make a good Sports Leader. During the week of 21st—25th September.

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

One of our school values is Responsibility and one of the things that makes our school special, is all the opportunities children have for taking on positions of responsibility, getting involved and making a difference. In Pupil Voice Assembly on Tuesday, Ms Buckenham will be speaking to the children about the different ways they can get involved in the running of our school. There are lots of projects planned throughout the year for which we need the children's help, including supporting the village to become hedgehog friendly, making improvements to lunchtimes, continuing our neuro-diversity awareness programme, building a buzz about reading, and supporting with fundraising. If your child would like to join one of our groups, this is what they need to do:



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Learning to bring out the best in everyone

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APPLE DAY and HARVEST FESTIVAL!

Apple Day has become a bit of a tradition at Fressingfield Primary, and we will be repeating the event again this year on Thursday 22nd October. We'll start with a Harvest Celebration at the Baptist Chapel at 9.30am. When we return to school we'll be in House Groups to prepare a range of soups and breads and to press some apples. We'd like to invite you back to school at the end of the day to share the food we've made and to enjoy some campfire songs.

If you have any apples to spare, please can you put some aside for us. I will be freezing a few bags so that they keep until the day (this makes the pressing a little easier too—provided they are defrosted first!)



More details will follow in due course, but please save the date.

QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, QUERIES

If you need to contact your child's teacher or another member of staff, the easiest time is probably at the end of the day at the classroom door, or first thing in the morning in Rhine Class—we are all approachable and very friendly! If you miss us, you can also email on the addresses below—we will do our best to get back to you as quickly as we can. Thank you.

Mrs Buckenham: k.buckenham@fressingfieldprimary.org.uk

Mrs Wright: z.wright@fressingfieldprimary.org.uk

Miss Adamson: s.adamson@fressingfieldprimary.org.uk

Mr Varela: b.varela@asst.org.uk

Mrs Drax: office@fressingfieldprimary.org.uk

Mr Leicester: j.leicester@fressingfieldprimary.org.uk

PUPIL MEDICATION



If your child needs medication during the school day, we must have a completed Administration of Medication form. Please contact Mrs Drax for one. Thank you.

WELLIES



Please remember to bring in a pair of named wellies for playing on the field. Thank you.

DROP-OFF and PICK-UP

In order to make children's starts and ends of the day as happy and smooth as possible, please aim to be on time with morning drop-offs and afternoon pick-ups.

Breakfast Club starts at 7.45am. Children invited to Early Birds are invited to come for 8.25am so they can start promptly at 8.30am. For all other children, the school gates will be open from 8.40am ready for the school day to start at 8.45am.

At the end of the day, please be prompt with picking up at 3.15pm. Thank you. After-school clubs finish at 4.15pm. And, remember, there is an after-school club for anyone who needs it until 5.15pm. Please let the office know if you would like to sign up.

DATE	EVENT
Tue 15th Sept	International Day of Democracy—Classes will be voting for their new School Councillors.
Tue 15th Sept	Welcome to Rhine Class event with Ms Adamson and Mr Varela 9.10am
Tue 15th Sept	KS2 Online Workshop with Nadia Shireen, author of the Grimwood Series
Fri 18th Sept	Deadline for applications for most school groups
Mon 21st Sept	Forest School Taster Session 1.00pm—2.30pm
Thurs 24th Sept	European Day of Languages Dress Up Day
Fri 25th Sept	Flu Vaccinations (all year groups)
Thur 1st Oct	National Poetry Day—Wonder
Mon 5th and Tues 6th Oct	Parents Consultations
Mon 5th—Fri 9th Oct	Bike to School Week
Fri 9th Oct	EYFS Open Morning for Sept 2027 starters
Mon 19th Oct	Forest School Taster Session 1.00pm—2.30pm
Thur 22nd Oct	Harvest Festival and Apple Day Soup, Bread and Campfire Songs after school
26th—30th Oct	HALF TERM
Fri 6th Nov	EYFS Open Morning for Sept 2027 starters
Sun 8th Nov	Remembrance Day Event at St Peter's and St Paul's Church and at the War Memorial
Mon 9th Nov	STEM Day
Wed 11th Nov	KS2 Visit to Commonwealth War Graves in Fressingfield and Two-Minute Silence
Thur 12th Nov	Live online workshop with Michael Rosen (KS2)
Mon 16th – Wed 18th Nov	Year 4 Residential to Hilltop
Mon 16th - Fri 20th Nov	Anti-bullying Week
Mon 16th Nov	Odd Socks Day to raise awareness about bullying
Fri 20th Nov	Children in Need Dress Up Day
Fri 27th Nov	Be Bright Be Seen Day (led by the JRSOs)
Mon 14th Dec	Thames & Rhine Class Christmas Nativity Dress Rehearsal (9.30—10.30am)
Tue 15th and Wed 16th Dec	Thames & Rhine Class Christmas Nativity Performance (9.30—10.30am)
Thur 17th Dec	Carol Service and End of Term Celebration (9.30am—St Peter's and St Paul's Church)
Thur 17th Dec	Class Christmas Parties / Last Day of Term
Fri 18th Dec	PD Day

