



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

25th April 2025

Latest News

I hope that you all had a fantastic Easter break. It has been wonderful welcoming the children back into school this week.

The summer term is always packed full of fun but than can mean that it gets a bit busy. Our residential take place this term, as do lots of sporting trips and fundraisers. In amongst these exciting events are also important statutory assessment periods, namely: Year 6 SATS, Year 1 Phonics Screening, and the Year 4 Multiplication Check. Teachers are working hard to prepare students for these assessments and will already have been sharing resources with you to help further prepare your children. Please do get in touch with your child's class teacher if you would like any more information.

Next week is forecast to be getting quite warm. Please do apply suncream to your children in the morning and ensure that they have a large drink of water and a sun hat.

We are finalising Summer term dates (Sports Day etc) and will endeavour to publish these as soon as possible as I know that you will be keen to attend if you can.

Have a wonderful weekend – tune in to the London marathon to cheer on Mrs Dayman!



Caroline Gilbert

School Development News

At the start of April, we officially joined the newly formed Harbour Learning Partnership. While we don't anticipate significant changes to our school community, there may be gradual adjustments to our systems and processes to align with the 36 other schools in the larger trust.

This week, the Trust site team has been working with contractors on our large flat roof. Despite numerous patch-up efforts over the years, the roof remains in poor condition, and we hope it will be replaced during the summer holidays.

Staffing News

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce you to some new members of staff who have recently joined us at Fremington. Mrs Shute and Mrs Campling have joined our teaching assistant team, whilst Miss Harris has joined our MTA team, soon to be joined by Miss Hawkins. Mr Philps, who joined us as a teaching assistant over two-years ago, having previously been working at school as a Romar football coach, is relocating to Yorkshire. His last day will be next Wednesday. Mr Philps has been a real asset to the school and has forged brilliant relationships with lots of the students whilst attending all residential and being our chief first aider! Thank you, Aaron. You shall be missed!

After many years on the playground, Verity Broughall has changed roles and is returning to a cleaning position.

Congratulations to Miss Lawson who got married over the Easter break! Miss Lawson's married name is Mrs Whitehead.

Date	Event
Wed 30th April	Year 2 Tennis Event More details to follow
Mon 5th May	Bank Holiday
Fri 23rd May	Last Day of Summer Term 1
Mon 2nd June	First day of Summer Term 2

Term dates are available on our [website](#).

Swimming

All swimming sessions are during the afternoons. Please ensure children bring a towel, swimming suit and goggles. Swim caps are advised but not essential.

Summer 1

Year 3

Summer 2

Year 6



Attendance

Wow! What an incredible week for attendance. Look at those figures! Regular attendance helps children build strong academic foundations, develop social skills, and foster a sense of responsibility and community, ultimately increasing their life chances and future opportunities.

W/B: 21/04/2025	
1	98.3%
2	96.7%
3	98.1%
4	97.8%
5	93.3%
6	96.3%
R	93.7%
Overall	96.4%

PERSISTENCE

TEAMWORK

CURIOSITY

COMMUNICATION



Award Winners

Reeva - Fireflies

Jaxon & Harley - Otters

Amelia-Rose & Robyn - Eagles

Aria & Emilia Eagles

Tianna & Oakley - Falcons

Scarlett & Andrew - Hawks

Sophie & Lilly W - Leopards

Rocco & Phoebe - Lions

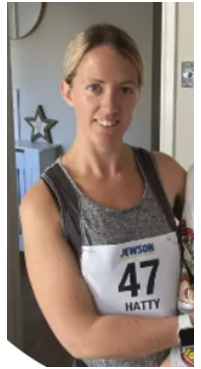
You have all been recognised for your fantastic learning behaviours – WELL DONE!

Mrs Dayman's London Dash!

Our wonderful Mrs Dayman is running the London Marathon on Sunday, raising funds for The Institute of Cancer Research. The London Marathon is always an incredibly inspiring event to watch on the TV so please do tune in with your children on Sunday morning. Mrs Dayman's race number is 28832 and you can track her on the App to see how she's getting on! I know it will really help her get through those last challenging miles. Mrs Dayman – we're incredibly proud of you! Good luck!

If you would like to donate to Mrs Dayman's fundraising efforts then please use the following link:

<https://2025tcslondonmarathon.enthuse.com/pf/hatty-dayman>



PTFA

Start of a new term and lots of exciting events coming up this term ... culminating with a nice surprise from the PTFA to all the children at the end of the term – more information to follow.

Next events:

Thursday 1st May – Spring disco, emails have been sent to you and please see attached poster for more information.

Friday 2nd May – Non-uniform, again mails have been sent to you and please see attached poster for more information.

Up-coming events – save the dates:

Spring Bingo – Wednesday 21st May, eyes down 6pm. More information to follow.

Summer Fair – Sunday 29th June 11-3pm. More information to follow.

Thank you again for your continued support for your PTFA

NON-UNIFORM DAY

Friday 2nd May.

Donations to the Summer Fair. Please bring donations on the day.

N/R

Teddies - in good condition.

1/2

Lucky Dip, fidgets, pocket money toys.

3/4

Bottles - alcoholic and non-alcoholic

5/6

Wrapped chocolate/sweets

YOUR PTFA PRESENTS
Thursday 1st May

SPRING
Disco

R, KS1 AND YEAR 3: 4 TIL 4.45 PM

YEAR 3 AND KS2: 5 TIL 6 PM

Slap bands, tatoos etc for sale at the disco
£3 per ticket. Tickets on sale :

Monday 28th, Tuesday 29th
and Wednesday 30th April

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about ZEPETO

AGE RESTRICTION
14+

ZEPETO is a fast-growing app blending social networking with a virtual world experience – attracting around 20 million monthly users, with 15% from Europe. Players create 3D avatars to explore immersive environments, play games and interact with others; however, with minimal safety controls, anonymous chat and monetised content, ZEPETO poses a number of online safety concerns that parents and educators should be aware of.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

NO PARENTAL CONTROLS

Although ZEPETO is intended for users aged 14 and up, it lacks built-in parental controls or age verification, instead relying on safety features on the device it's played on. This lack of a parental controls feature raises concerns about whom children may be interacting with on the platform.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

As a mix between a virtual world and a social media platform, ZEPETO features a wide range of user-generated content. Some areas may reference mature themes, such as TV series aimed at adults, or include inappropriate material created by other users – all of which children may stumble across without warning.

STRANGER DANGER

By default, users can message and interact with anyone else. This open communication creates an environment where predatory individuals can pose as peers to gain trust, potentially leading to grooming, scams, and exploitation, such as blackmail.

Hi there...

CYBERBULLYING RISKS

As with many social platforms, children can be targeted for bullying, harassment or exclusion by both strangers and their peers. Unfiltered chat and avatar-based interaction can allow bullying and other forms of harassment to continue, impacting children's wellbeing and mental health.

ADDICTIVE GAMEPLAY

Daily log-in rewards, such as coins, and in-game incentives can encourage compulsive behaviour, with some users feeling pressure to check in constantly to avoid missing out. This can lead to excessive screen time and conflict with schoolwork or offline hobbies or commitments.

SPENDING REAL MONEY

While the game is free to play, ZEPETO includes a store offering virtual clothing and accessories for avatars. These items are bought with 'ZEMs' – a paid currency – and the appeal of exclusive items or branded collaborations can make it easy for children to overspend.

Advice for Parents & Educators

ENABLE PRIVACY SETTINGS

Visit the child's profile settings to restrict who can send messages – options include Everyone, Followers Only, or No-one. Encourage children to avoid sharing any personal information on their profile, as this is visible even on private accounts.

LIMIT IN-APP TIME

Use parental controls on Android (Google Family Link) or iOS (Screen Time) to restrict app usage by setting hours or daily limits. Encouraging breaks can help children develop healthier habits and reduce app dependency.

CONTROL SPENDING

To prevent accidental purchases, set up purchase approval systems such as Apple's Ask to Buy or Google's Purchase Approvals. Alternatively, consider removing payment methods or using pre-paid cards with set budgets.

HAVE REGULAR CONVERSATIONS

Talk openly with children about whom they interact with online and the kinds of things they see or experience. Encourage them to speak up if someone makes them uncomfortable or if they come across inappropriate content. Teach them how to recognise red-flag behaviours such as asking for secrets, giving gifts, or requesting personal information.

Meet Our Expert

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#WakeUpWednesday

The National College



DANCE ATTACK

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**FREESTYLE MUSICAL THEATRE ACROBATICS
STREET DANCE COMMERCIAL LYRICAL
BABY BALLET**



THURSDAY EVENING

**THE BEECHFIELD CENTRE, BEECHFIELD ROAD,
FREMINGTON, BARNSTAPLE, EX31 3DD**

**4-4.45 LITTLE MOVERS (AGE 3-6)
4.45-5.30 JUNIORS BEGINNERS (AGE 7-11)
5.50-6.15 JUNIORS ADVANCED (AGE 7-11)**

£5 PER SESSION

BOYS AND GIRLS WELCOME

**CONTACT RACHEL TO RESERVE A PLACE:
0750 771 3438 RACHELDANCE@LIVE.CO.UK**

FOOTBALL AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Keep active, have fun, make friends,
learn skills, play matches.

Sportswear, water bottle, trainers
or moulded football boots needed.

Shinpads recommended

MONDAY'S - Years 3 - 6

3.25 - 4.25PM

28 April - 14 July

9 weeks

£54 / £6 per session




BOOK YOUR SPACE ONLINE ONLINE

<https://romar-sports.classforkids.io/info/1253>




1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Option 1	Margherita Pizza with Potato Wedges (v)	Chicken Curry with Rice	Roast Turkey with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Sausage Pinwheel, Herby Diced Potatoes & Baked Beans	Fish Fingers & Chips
Hot Option 2	Sweet Potato and Lentil Curry with Steamed Rice (v)	Cheese and Tomato Pasta Bake & Crusty Bread (v)	Lentil Roast with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes and Gravy (v)	Plant-based Sausage Pinwheel, Herby Diced Potatoes & Baked Beans (v)	Golden Veggie Goujons & Chips (v)
Jacket Potato	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo
Served with	Sweetcorn	Mixed Vegetables	Carrots and Green Beans	Mixed Salad	Peas or Baked Beans
And for Pudding	Pip Organic Ice Lolly	Brownie	Flapjack	Fruit Jelly	Shortbread Biscuit
Packed Lunch + pudding of the day	Tuna Baguette	Ham Baguette	Cheese Baguette	Ham Baguette	Cheese Baguette

Week One: 21 Apr | 12 May | 9 Jun | 30 Jun | 21 Jul | 15 Sept | 6 Oct



2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Option 1	Mac n Cheese & Crusty Bread (v)	Sweet & Sour Chicken with Steamed Rice	Honey Roast Gammon with Mash & Gravy	Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Pasta	Chicken Bites & Chips
Hot Option 2	Sweet and Sour Plant Balls with Steamed Rice (v)	Cheese and Tomato Pasta Bake (v) & Crusty Bread	Vegemince Cottage Pie & Gravy (v)	Plant-based Sausages in Tomato Sauce with Pasta (v)	Vegetarian Enchilada & Chips (v)
Jacket Potato	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo
Served with	Mixed Vegetables	Sweetcorn	Peas and Carrots	Mixed Salad	Peas or Baked Beans
And for Pudding	Pip Organic Ice Lolly	Oaty Cookie	Toffee Cream Shortcake	Jam Sponge & Coconut	Chocolate Shortbread
Packed Lunch + pudding of the day	Tuna Baguette	Ham Baguette	Cheese Baguette	Ham Baguette	Cheese Baguette

Week Two: 28 Apr | 19 May | 16 Jun | 7 Jul | 1 Sept | 22 Sept | 13 Oct



3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Option 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Swirl with Potato Wedges (v)	Lasagne & Garlic Bread	Sausages Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potato & Gravy	Breaded Chicken, Lettuce and Mayo Wrap with Steamed Rice	Fish Fingers & Chips
Hot Option 2	Vegemince Bolognese with Pasta (v)	Loaded Bean Bake & Garlic Bread (v)	Plant-based Sausages Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potato & Gravy (v)	Tomato and Courgette Frittata with Potato Wedges (v)	Cheesy Pinwheel & Chips (v)
Jacket Potato	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo
Served with	Peas and Sweetcorn	Mixed Salad	Cabbage and Carrots	Crunchy Salad Sticks	Peas or Baked Beans
And for Pudding	Vanilla Ice Cream	Blueberry Cupcake	Carrot Cake	Chocolate Oatcake	Vanilla Crunch Bar
Packed Lunch + pudding of the day	Tuna Baguette	Ham Baguette	Cheese Baguette	Ham Baguette	Cheese Baguette

Week Three: 5 May | 2 Jun | 23 Jun | 14 Jul | 8 Sept | 29 Sept | 20 Oct

*Available Daily:
Fresh Salad, Bread & Drinking Water + Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt as Pudding Alternatives