



5th April 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your continued support this half term, it certainly has been a busy one! We had a super turn out at parents evening in March. It is always so good to see so many of you there and share your child's successes. If for some reason you couldn't make it, you can always ask to see your child's teacher at another time.

We have seen so many nice things this half term, some great examples of learning and some super moments of 'WOW'. Year 3 and 4 really enjoyed their trip to Cadbury World last Friday, learning all about the history of chocolate as part of their history topic on the Aztecs. Year 6 did themselves proud learning about the history of nursing and midwifery, as part of a University of Nottingham workshop and showed great care and respect when handling the items the staff brought in.

Each Monday afternoon a class walks down to Wollaton library, the children get the chance to borrow a book to read back at school and then return a few weeks later. This is quite a walk but the children are always energised when they return and have certainly developed more of a love of reading. You can visit Wollaton library anytime, it's free for children to join.

Friends of Firbeck are doing a great job in fundraising for our school, please continue to support them. They recently purchased two lovely new benches for the top playground, they have been much needed for many years, the children have been making full use of them already. They sit on them, hide under them and use them as 'base' in chase games. We would like to thank Friends of Firbeck for all the hard work they are putting in to all their events.

We say 'goodbye' and good luck to Miss Woodcock who has been working alongside Miss Yeoman in year 1 since the end of January. She has been at Firbeck as part of her SCITT teacher training and we have very much enjoyed having her. We wish her well in the future. Also we have welcomed back Miss White this week, she has returned after her recent maternity leave. She will be working across year 2 and year 5. It is lovely to have her back on board!

A few gentle reminders:

-Please make sure your child takes home their PE kit this week and brings it back on the first day of the new term.

- Please also remember to name your child's clothing, especially jumpers, as we have so many in lost property that would easily be returned if only they had a name in them.

-If you change your phone number or any other personal details, please update us, as it is essential we can contact you, if we need to.

Dates for the summer term:

23 rd April	Return to school
6 th May	May bank holiday, school is closed
7 th May	Friends of Firbeck meeting, open to everyone
13 th May	Year 6 SATS week
13 th May	Year 4 & 5 science workshops
21 st May	Book fair arrives in school
22 nd May	University of Nottingham assembly
23 rd May	Basketball match at Brocklewood School
24 th May	Break up for half term
3 rd June	Return to school
18 th June	Year 6 freshers trip to Nottingham University
21 st Jun	Bilborough arts festival
24 th June	Year 6 Bikeability course starts
15 th July	Sports day
16 th July	Sports day (back up)
17 th July	Year 2 at Sutton Bonington
19 th July	Break up for the summer holidays

There will be many more dates after the holidays, please keep an eye out for them.

We hope you all have a lovely Easter break and we will see you again on **Tuesday 23rd April**.

Regards,

Mrs Riley and Mrs Thornhill
Deputy Headteachers

