10TH SEPTEMBER 2026

FOSSDENE WEEKLY ROUNDUP

IMPORTANT DATES

16 September — Year 5 Class Assembly, 8:45am

17 September — Reception & Year 1 Phonics Meeting, 2:30pm

23 September — Year 4 Class Assembly, 8:45am
25 September — Flu Vaccinations

28–30 September — Year 6 School Journey
30 September — Year 3 Class Assembly, 8:45am

6 October — Maths Workshop for Reception & Year 1

7 October - Beech Class Assembly 2:30pm

12 October — Art Week

14 October - Year 6 Class Assembly 8:45am

19 October - Art Gallery for Parents 2:00pm

21 - 23 October - Inset Days

26 October - Half term

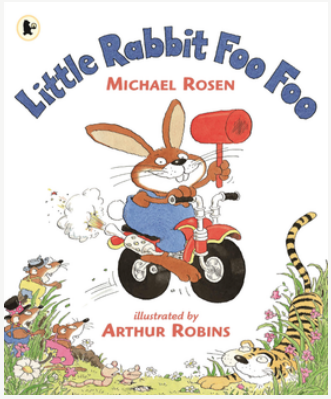
Message from Ms Jowett,

We hope you had a restful and enjoyable break.
Welcome back! We are delighted to share that the children have settled back into their school routines exceptionally well this week. It has been wonderful to see them return with enthusiasm and confidence, ready to engage in their learning and enjoy the term ahead. We look forward to a successful and rewarding term together.

🌟 Fossdenes Stars of the Week 🌟

Leah and Margaret in Year 6 ⭐
They have both been extremely helpful, always willing to support others and lend a helping hand. Their kindness, thoughtfulness and positive attitude have made a real difference. Well done, Leah and Margaret!

FOSSDENE BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS



I recommend this book because it features a wildly chaotic bunny who just cannot stop scooping up field mice and bopping them on the head. You will laugh out loud as he ignores a magical fairy's warnings, especially if you watch Michael Rosen's hilarious video retelling on Kids' Poems and Stories With Michael Rosen. His wild facial expressions and goofy hand gestures bring the bunny's ridiculous punishment to life. Grab this book today, and remember—absolutely no bopping your classmates at breaktime!

OPAL PLAY

Welcome back, everyone! We've had a wonderful time in the playground and have been busy exploring, creating and using our imaginations.
The children have enjoyed building dens together, working as a team and developing their problem-solving skills. We've also had lots of fun creating colourful chalk drawings and expressing our creativity outdoors.
It has been lovely to see the children sharing ideas, cooperating with one another and enjoying their outdoor play. We're looking forward to lots more exciting adventures and learning opportunities in the weeks ahead!

Attendance

For the whole school attendance this week was 95.1% our target is 97%

Reception - 97.3%
Year 3 98.8%
Beech 97.4
Fir 97.4%

A polite reminder that if your child is absent due to illness and you have visited the doctor, please send any medical evidence (e.g. a prescription or appointment slip) to **admin@fossdene.greenwich.sch.uk** so it can be added to the register. Where possible, please book any routine appointments outside of school hours. Thank you for your cooperation.

Get Involved!

Interested in joining Friends of Fossdene?
Please contact the school office for more information

CLASS NEWS

Reception

We had a great first week in Reception and the children have settled in really well and have already started their learning. In Phonics, we learned the sounds 's', 'a', 't', 'p' and played lots of oral blending games. We also started our Reading practice sessions and the children will get a Phonics book on Friday to read at home. Please note that we only give out books if your child has a school bookbag or school backpack. Phonics books need to be returned on Wednesdays. Please label all your child's belongings (water bottles, bags, clothes etc.) and please bring spare clothes and wellies that can stay in school in case your child needs them. If you have any questions or need to contact the class teacher, Mrs Weall, please email reception@fossdene.greenwich.sch.uk

Year 1

Year 1 have been having lots of fun continuing to explore our new classroom, whilst we think about our Class Charter and how we can help everyone feel safe and that they belong. In English, we have started our Fairy Tales unit by predicting and reading Little Red Riding Hood. In maths, we have been sorting objects into groups and using these to help us count.

Year 2

Year 2 had an exciting first full week back and settled in very well! We have discussed our hopes for the year in jigsaw, explored pencil drawing in art and discussed what information is safe to have online in computing.

Year 3

Year 3 have settled in well and are enjoying our new topics looking at volcanoes in Geography and learning about how to distinguish between real and fake news in Computing. A reminder that we must be logging into TTRS and Spelling Shed regularly and completing our daily reading. Our reading fluency books will be coming home in the new week or so. Please ensure they are returned every week. As the weather gets wetter, please remind us to bring our coats to school, so we do not get wet at playtime!

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Year 4

Year 4 have a good first full week back in school! We have been very engaged in classroom discussions and have shown particular good focus during our Maths learning of place value, learning about thousands. We have also enjoyed starting our first book of Year 4, Fortunately the Milk!

Year 5

We have had a fantastic start to Year 5. The children have already shown great effort and enthusiasm, and we are encouraging everyone to think about how they can challenge themselves and take their learning a bit further. Please support your child at home by making sure they read every day and regularly use Times Table Rockstars and Spelling Shed to practise these important skills. We are looking forward to a happy, hardworking and successful year together.

Year 6

Year 6 have settled back in beautifully after the summer holidays and have shown excellent maturity, enthusiasm and dedication to their learning. They have made a fantastic start to the year and are already excited about the upcoming School Journey, Science Museum visit and Charlton Park Fun Day.

CLASS NEWS

Oak Class

What a lovely first week back at school! It has been wonderful to see everyone again and hear all about their summer. We have settled back into our routines really well and have enjoyed getting to know our new classmates and welcoming them into our class. We have had a busy and exciting week of learning. In Science, we have been learning all about bones, and we have a fantastic skeleton in our classroom to help us explore and understand our learning. In Cooking, we have started an exciting journey around the world! We will be receiving messages from people in different countries, with our first stop being America. We enjoyed making delicious cornbread as part of our learning. In Geography, we have been learning about aerial maps and thinking about what we can discover when we look at places from an aerial perspective. We enjoyed exploring our school from above and seeing what we could identify.
It has been a fantastic first week back, full of smiles, learning and new experiences.

Cherry Blossom

Cherry Blossom has had a splendid week getting to know each other and our routines. The children have all settled well and have been joining in with group circles. We particularly like messy play and exploring red food using our senses.

Beech

Beech class have had a fabulous first week back and have settled back into routines well. The highlight of our week was being introduced to our first sensory story of the year ‘George’s marvellous medicine’ and making our own potions.

Fir Class

Fir class have had a great week in interacting with our peers and making new friends. We are starting to follow our new routine and explore our new toys. We really enjoyed sensory story this week as well as sensory group and drama games.