18TH SEPTEMBER 2026

FOSSDENE WEEKLY ROUNDUP

IMPORTANT DATES

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

2 November - First day back 8:30am

It was absolutely lovely to see so many parents at our phonics meeting yesterday! Thank you for taking the time to join us and for your continued support - it really means a lot to us.

Our playground is in desperate need of some bark! 🌳 If anyone is able to donate bark or knows of somewhere that may be able to help, we would be incredibly grateful.

🌟 Fossdene Stars of the Week 🌟

A huge well done to Victor, Margaret, Samuel, Christaine, Ezel, and Sufyan from Year 6!
You have all shown kindness, helpfulness, and fantastic teamwork. Your positive attitudes and willingness to support one another are wonderful to see.
Keep up the fantastic work!

FOSSDENE BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

Book: Caribbean Counting Poem by Valerie Bloom
I love Caribbean Counting Poem by Valerie Bloom because it is such a fun and colourful book to read aloud. The poem takes you on a journey through the Caribbean, counting all sorts of wonderful things along the way, with lots of rhythm and rhyme. I love the way the words bring the sights, sounds and flavours of the Caribbean to life. It is a great book to share together and a lovely way to discover different places and cultures through poetry. See if you can join in with the rhythm when you read it!

OPAL PLAY

The children have been busy working together with their peers, sharing ideas, helping one another and creating some fantastic things as a team.
They have built dens, trains and so much more, showing great cooperation, creativity and problem-solving along the way!
It has been wonderful to see everyone working together, supporting their friends and having lots of fun while they learn through play.
Well done, everyone, for showing such fantastic teamwork! 👏

Attendance

For the whole school attendance this week was 96.3% our target is 97%

Beech - 100%
Cherry Blossom - 100%
Year 3 - 99.2%
Year 5 - 99.6%

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 our PTA Acorn Federation?
Please contact email **acorngrouppta@gmail.com** for more information

CLASS NEWS

Reception

This week, we have been learning about signs of Autumn. Please bring in any Autumn treasure that you might across (e.g. Autumn leaves, conkers, acorns etc.). Please activate your Tapestry account if you haven't already done so. If you haven't received an activation link yet, please email reception@fossdene.greenwich.sch.uk or speak to Mrs Weall.

Year 1

This week, we have continued Little Red Riding Hood, focusing on sequencing the story, while in Maths we practised counting and representing amounts on a tens frame, alongside our daily phonics review.
PE: Wednesdays and Fridays. Reading diaries: Please return every Wednesday, to send new books out on Friday.

Year 2

Year 2 have had a busy week. In Computing, we explored the different parts of a computer and enjoyed taking part in a computer parts hunt. In Science, we took a closer look at mammals and learned about some of their key features. In History, we compared schools in the past with schools today and created a table to record the differences we noticed. We have enjoyed sharing our ideas and making new discoveries.

Year 3

Year 3 have been learning all about how to partition 3 digit numbers in Maths this week. We've learnt that partitioning can be flexible and that numbers can be split up in many different ways. In Music, we are learning a call and response song and how to change our voices to hit the high notes! We are beginning to take independent ownership of our reading records, and are starting to choose our own reading books and write in our reading records when we have read. Please support us to build our independence. We are also enjoying exploring Spelling Shed and playing spelling games amongst our classmates. Our logins can be found at the back of our reading records.

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Year 4

This week, Year 4 have been working hard to get ready for our class assembly, with a particular focus on Music. The children have been practising and putting lots of effort into making sure they are ready to perform!
In English, we have been learning lots of ways to improve our writing, thinking carefully about vocabulary, sentence structure and how we can make our work even more engaging. We put these skills into practice by writing our own character descriptions.

Year 5

A huge well done to everyone for our first assembly – the children did an amazing job remembering their lines and speaking with such clear, confident voices. We were all very proud of them!
Your children have also been working incredibly hard across all their lessons, and it has been wonderful to see so many children bringing in their homework and reading regularly at home. Thank you for your continued support.
A reminder that our children have started their swimming lessons. Please remember to send in a small, healthy snack for after swimming.
Keep up the fantastic work, everyone!

Year 6

Year 6 had a lovely game of rounders at the park with Year 6 pupils from another school, working brilliantly as a team. We have also been focusing on reading with prosody and practising our spellings on Spelling Shed, where the children are becoming more confident. Our goal for next week is for all reading records to be returned and completed daily.

CLASS NEWS

Oak Class

Oak Class have had another busy and enjoyable week! We are settling into our routines really well and it has been lovely to see the children becoming more confident and independent.

In Geography, we continued exploring the idea of an aerial perspective. The children enjoyed creating maps of our classroom, imagining they were helping a visiting alien find their way around! In Science, we have been learning about the important roles our bones play. We explored how different bones protect our organs, support movement and help connect different parts of our bodies. We are thoroughly enjoying our cooking sessions and this week we explored puff puff, a delicious Nigerian snack. The children enjoyed learning about the food and getting involved in the cooking process.

As the weather is very changeable at the moment, please remember to send in spare clothes, such as trousers and socks, and wellies where possible. This will help us make the most of our outdoor learning, whatever the weather!

Cherry Blossom

This week, Cherry Blossom have been exploring their senses with yellow food. Mango and sweetcorn were their favourites. We have been playing with water and making rain using colanders for science. In art we have been placing and arranging collage materials to make our faces.

Beech

Beech class have had a wonderful week! They particularly enjoyed music this week where they explored different instruments and hit some awesome notes!

Fir Class

Fir class have enjoyed exploring food groups during fun with food, we are looking at pulses this week and made our own cereal which we enjoyed eating. We have done really well at settling in to our new routine and enjoying playing along side our new peers.