25TH SEPTEMBER 2026

FOSSDENE WEEKLY ROUNDUP

IMPORTANT DATES

28–30 September — Year 6 School Journey

2 October - Reception & Year 6 Height and Weight

6 October — Maths Workshop for Reception & Year 1

7 October - Year 3 Class Assembly - 8:45am

7 October - Beech Class Assembly 2:30pm

9 October - School Closed Due to Staff Striking

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

Message from Ms Jowett

It has been another fantastic week at school, with lots of wonderful learning taking place across all year groups. A special shout out to Year 2, who have really impressed me with some of the amazing artwork they have been creating this week, it has been a pleasure to see! We are also very excited for our Year 6 children, who will be heading off on their school journey on Monday. They are all looking forward to what promises to be a brilliant experience, and we hope they have a fantastic time making lots of special memories together.

Ms Jowett

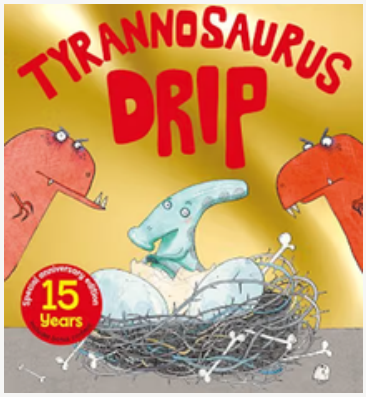
🌟 Fossdene Star of the Week 🌟

Ahmed from Fir Class

Ahmed is very new to Fossdene and has settled so well; you wouldn't notice he hasn't been here before. He is helpful in class and follows instructions. Ahmed is a wonderful asset to Fir class.

Well done Ahmed!

FOSSDENE BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS



Mrs Esmeralda
Book: Dinosaur Drip by Julia Donaldson
Dinosaur Drip is such a fun and colourful book by one of my favourite authors, Julia Donaldson. I love the silly dinosaurs, the rhyming story and the brilliant illustrations. It is a great book to read aloud and one that children can really get involved with, especially joining in with the rhymes! I think it is perfect for anyone who loves dinosaurs, funny stories and a little bit of silliness. If you spot Dinosaur Drip in the classroom, give it a read – I'm sure it will make you smile!

OPAL PLAY

This week in the playground, we've been enjoying lots of dress-up fun! The children have loved dressing up as cheerleaders, with plenty of singing, dancing, movement and lots of smiles along the way. It's been wonderful to see their creativity, confidence and enthusiasm shine through as they played together!

Attendance

For the whole school attendance this week was 96.1% our target is 97%

Year 3 - 98.8%
Year 5 - 99.6%
Cherry Blossom - 97.5%
Oak - 100%

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?
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CLASS NEWS

Reception

This week we started reading our new key textbook, 'The Worrysaurus', and we practised retelling the story using actions. In Maths, we practised subitising and counting to 5 and learned how to play number track games using a die. Thank you to everyone who brought in baby photos and 'Autumn treasure' to show the class. Please remember to label your child's belongings and bring in spare clothes and wellies.

Year 1

We have been reading Goldilocks and the Three Bears and exploring adjectives and how we can use describing words to talk about things. In maths, we have been practising recognising numbers as words and counting up to 10, while in Art and Computing, we have been exploring drawing lines and shapes.

Year 2

Year 2 have had an exciting week. In PE, we have been developing our dodgeball skills and applied them into a class game. In English, we have been learning about list sentences and how to use commas correctly. In Maths, we have been comparing numbers using the less than, greater than and equal to symbols.

Year 3

Year 3 have been busy bees this week in our learning! We have written some amazing diary entries in role as Barnabas using some of our newly learnt grammar skills and sentence types. In Science, we've learnt the names and functions of the pelvis, skull, spine, femur and ribcage. Ask us where in our body these bones are located to test our Science knowledge. In music, we've been learning a new Polynesian folksong called 'Tongo'. We hope to perform it in our class assembly in a couple of weeks!

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Year 4

Year 4 were very excited to start this week by performing our first class assembly of the year! We projected our voices well and demonstrated our great singing voices. We have finished this week by discussing informal letters and their features, ready to write them next week!

Year 5

Year 5 have had a fantastic week, with a particular highlight being our brilliant trip to the Science Museum! The children especially enjoyed exploring the interactive exhibits in Launchpad, where they had great fun investigating forces and motion through hands-on experiments, including testing how different objects move and react. Their enthusiasm, curiosity and behaviour throughout the day were excellent. Please remember to continue supporting your child at home with their weekly comprehension and maths homework, as regular practice really helps to reinforce the learning taking place in class.

Year 6

Year 6 have had a fantastic week, completing an Arithmetic paper they can be very proud of, preparing for their exciting residential trip and enjoying a competitive cricket activity in PE. We also had a wonderful visit to the Science Museum, where the children explored fascinating exhibits and watched some exciting experiments.

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Oak Class

Oak Class have had a lovely time this week! In Cooking, we travelled to Spain through our taste buds and made some delicious patatas bravas. We even met two ladies from Madrid who wished us good luck with our cooking! In Science, we became bone detectives, looking closely at animal bones and comparing them with the human skeleton. We identified skulls, spines and ribcages, and it was especially exciting to examine some real bones. In Geography, we headed out to the playground to spot different features that will help us with our map drawing next week. Finally, in Art, we explored line and shape, creating our own pictures using a variety of different materials. What a busy and enjoyable week!

Cherry Blossom

Cherry Blossom have had a lovely week full of sensory exploration, communication and hands-on learning. We explored a range of green foods using safety knives and peelers. The children enjoyed touching, smelling and tasting the different foods while developing their fine motor skills, independence and use of tools. We explored different textures through mixing, scooping and whisking to make Angel Delight. Delicious fun!

Beech

Beech class have had a fantastic week! The children all enjoyed Science where they explored water, how to transport it and how holes have an impact on carrying water. We all enjoyed the last week of our sensory story George's Marvellous Medicine and the children loved getting stuck in by adding their own ingredients to the potion.

Fir Class

Fir class this week have been looking at water in science, we have looked at how quickly the water comes out of containers with different amount of holes in them. We have also looked at the dairy category in our food groups and made our own milkshakes.