



Newsletter

September 2026

'Together we discover, believe & achieve'

A very warm welcome back to all of our pupils and families. It has been so lovely to see everyone back in school!

School days and times

The school day starts at 8.40am and finishes at 3.10pm. Please make sure that you arrive on time.

School adults will be in the playground from 8.35am to greet your children. To develop their independence, please say goodbye to the children in the top playground and allow children to walk to their class teacher in the bottom playground.

Reception children enter through the Reception classroom doors.

The Year 1 entrance is along the pathway from the Stratford Road entrance into school.

The nursery times are:
Morning nursery session
8.40am to 11.40am
Afternoon nursery session
12.10pm to 3.10pm

We kindly ask that any parent collecting children from Years 2 to 6 at the end of the day, wait behind the yellow line on the top playground. This means that we can keep the children safe until collected.



Breakfast club runs from 7.45am to 8.40am every morning and includes a breakfast of cereal, toast and a drink.

Please bring your children to the main school entrance where they will be welcomed by Mrs Ravat, our Learning Mentor.

Our breakfast club is free but places are limited.

If you would like your child to attend our breakfast club, please contact the school office for more information.

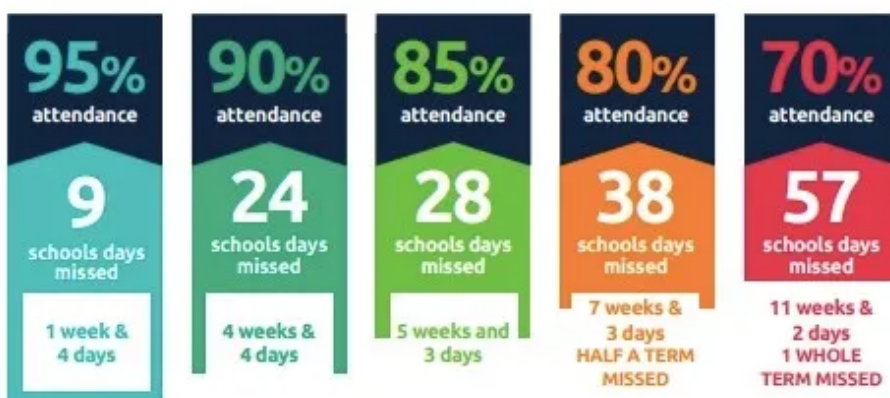
ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Our school target is...

96%

Every day in school counts...



and every minute counts...



Getting Your Child to School Really Matters



Did You Know... ?

In a School Year, If Your Child is Late Every Day By...

Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately...

or They Would Have Missed Approximately...

5 Minutes	3.5 Days from School	20 Lessons
10 Minutes	7 Days from School	41 Lessons
15 Minutes	10 Days from School	55 Lessons
20 Minutes	14.5 Days from School	82 Lessons
30 Minutes	22 Days from School	123 Lessons

Please Encourage Punctuality to Maintain Attendance

FREE SCHOOL MEAL ENTITLEMENT HAS CHANGED!

Your child's eligibility may have changed. If you are unsure or would like some support to apply, please come and speak to us.



Free School Meals

*Apply through Bradford Council –
it's quick, easy and could make
a big difference*



What are free school meals?

Free school meals are available to children from families who receive certain benefits or support.

If your child is eligible, they can enjoy a healthy, nutritious meal every school day at no cost to you.



It's about more than a meal

Applying for free school meals can also bring extra funding to our school to support your child's learning.

Who can apply?

Your child may be eligible if you receive any of the following:

- ✓ Universal Credit (with an annual net earned income of £7,400 or less)
- ✓ Income Support
- ✓ Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- ✓ Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- ✓ Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- ✓ The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- ✓ Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit and an annual income of £16,190 or less)



i Eligibility is assessed by Bradford Council, not the school.

How to apply – through Bradford Council

Due to technical difficulties, the application form is still unavailable. As a temporary measure, Bradford Council will accept an email containing the relevant information, as an application.



To apply, please email them at **benefits@bradford.gov.uk**

In the email, you must include:

- 'Free School Meal application' as the subject line.
- Name(s) of child/ren you are applying for
- Name(s) of school(s) the child/ren attend
- Name(s) of parents/legal guardians
- Date(s) of birth of the parents/legal guardians
- National Insurance Number(s) of the parents/legal guardian/s
- Address (and postcode) of parents/legal guardians

This email will be treated as an application for Free School Meals.

Things to know



Your information is safe

Bradford Council keeps your details secure and confidential.



You can apply at any time

If your circumstances change, you can reapply.



Still not sure?

If you think you might be eligible, it's always worth applying!

If you need help with your application, visit the Bradford Council website or contact their Customer Services team.

www.bradford.gov.uk

01274 431111

customer.services@bradford.gov.uk



Together, we can support every child to thrive.

Thank you for helping us make the most of every opportunity for our school community.

Thank you! ♥



<https://farnhamprimary.org.uk/>



01274 573297

Arbor App

All communication between school and home will be via the Arbor App. Please check the app regularly for messages and updates from school. A good way to keep up to date is to enable notifications from the app.

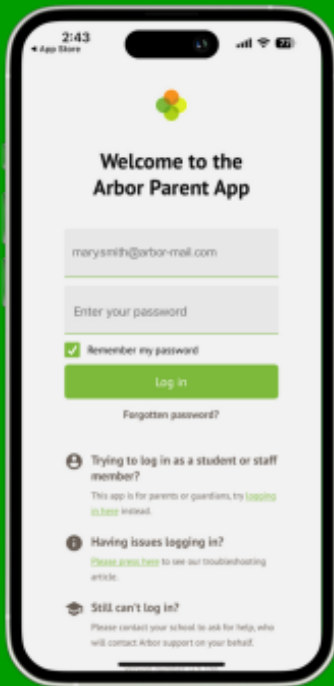
It is very important we have your correct contact details in case of emergency.

You can update your child's contact details on the Arbor app or inform the admin staff of any change of address or telephone numbers.



We're using the Arbor Parent App!

See and manage your child's day-to-day school information. Understand their progress, make payments and bookings, and receive in-app messages - all from one app



Log in in seconds with Face ID

Receive in-app messages and reminders on your phone

Make payments, sign up for clubs, and book parents evenings

See your child's progress, attendance, behaviour points, report cards and more

Check your child's calendar, it's always up-to-date

Scan the QR code to download the Arbor Parent App, and use your email address to log in







Important Diary Dates

We would like as many parents to join us for assemblies, workshops, events and celebrations throughout the year.

We are still working on some other special events and we will endeavour to inform you of these dates as soon as they are confirmed. Watch this space!

For all events, please come to the main entrance.

Everybody welcome!



Educational visits

We are busy organising educational visits and visitors for our pupils to give them new experiences and enhance their learning.

Educational visits will continue to be partly funded from school funds and we kindly ask for a voluntary contribution from parents. Please be aware that should we not receive enough voluntary contributions, a trip may be cancelled.

If you have any queries, please contact the school office.

School uniform

Our new school uniform colour looks so smart and fresh and we thank all of our families for embracing the change. To support our families with the change, all current pupils (as of July 2026) were given a voucher for a free jumper or cardigan. If you would like support with the change of uniform colour, please speak to a member of staff.

All children should wear school uniforms at all times. Uniforms can be easily purchased from supermarkets such as Asda, Tesco, Primark etc or if you wish to buy jumpers and polo shirts with the school logo, they can be purchased from Natasha's or Academia uniform shops.

Our school uniform is;

- White polo shirt (optional with logo)
- Dark green, round neck sweatshirt, v-neck jumper or cardigan (optional with logo)
- Grey trousers, skirt, pinafore dress or shalwar kameez
- Black shoes or plain black trainers (no logos or branding)
- In summer, pupils can wear grey tailored shorts or a green checked summer dress.



**Dark Green Jumper
(or Cardigan)**



White Polo Top



Grey Trousers



Grey Skirt



PE

Your child's PE days have been shared by the office via the Arbor App.

PE kit (to be worn to school on PE days)

- Plain, white, round neck t-shirt or polo shirt - no branding please
- Pair of black shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms
- Plain, black, zipped hoodie or sweatshirt
- Plain black trainers
- Pupils will need a pair of black pumps in a drawstring bag (for indoor PE lessons that will be kept in school)



To keep pupils safe, we respectfully ask that headscarves are secured with a clip or safety pin on PE days rather than a simple pin as these can become loose during physical activity.

It is essential that all school clothing, PE clothing, pump bags and footwear are marked with your child's name.

Please ensure your child's hairstyle is sensible and appropriate. No fashion stylings, patterns or colours please. Long hair should be tied back and children should not wear jewellery when they have PE lessons.

Farnham Nursery



Do you have a 3 year old child?

We still have some places in our amazing nursery. If you know of anyone who may be interested in a free place in our nursery, please call into our school office or ring the office on 01274 573297.

We are, and always have been, a nut free school.
We have an increasing number of pupils joining our school with a
severe nut allergy so just a reminder....



WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL!

THANK YOU FOR HELPING US
KEEP EVERYONE SAFE.



Together
we care
for our
school
family.



**Please do not send any food items
that contain nuts into school.**

This includes peanuts, tree nuts and
products that may contain traces of nuts.



Thank you
for your
support!

NUTS CAN BE FOUND IN MANY FOODS, SUCH AS:



COOKIES



PEANUT BUTTER



GRANOLA BARS



CHOCOLATE
SPREADS



TRAIL MIX

THANK YOU FOR HELPING US KEEP
OUR SCHOOL SAFE AND INCLUSIVE FOR ALL!

Don't forget to check our noticeboard next to the pedestrian entrance on Stratford Road. This is regularly updated with information that is useful for parents and the community.



And finally...

We are really looking forward to the year ahead at Farnham!

We have lots of exciting plans that we hope to share with you very soon as support from parents and carers is crucial to ensure that our pupils are given the best opportunity to thrive in school.

If you have any questions or queries, please speak to your child's class teacher or contact one of our Senior Leadership Team.

Mrs Keenan - Headteacher
Mrs Buckley & Mrs Hall - Assistant Headteachers

We thank you for your continued support!