The Drive Community Primary School

LEARN AND GROW

FRIDAY LETTER

16th October 2026

What Happens at The Drive?

School Assemblies

Assemblies are a special part of our week at The Drive, bringing the whole school together to learn, reflect and celebrate. Our assemblies take place on Monday and Tuesday afternoons and help children explore our school values, current events, wellbeing and important life lessons.

We also love giving children the opportunity to take centre stage. Recently, our Eco Warriors delivered an assembly about Just One Tree, while our Wellbeing Champions led an assembly to celebrate World Mental Health Day. These experiences help children develop confidence, leadership skills and a sense of responsibility.

On Friday afternoons, we hold our much-loved Shine Assembly, where we celebrate children who have demonstrated our school values of Respect. It is always a wonderful opportunity to recognise positive choices, kind actions and the many ways our pupils make The Drive such a caring and welcoming school.

Why not ask your child about this week's assembly? You might be surprised by what they have learned and shared with others!

DATES FOR THE DIARY

AUTUMN TERM 1
8 WEEK HALF TERM

~~MONDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER~~
~~NURSERY RETURN~~

~~WEDNESDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER~~
~~INTOUNIVERSITY: CAREERS IN ACTION – YEAR 4~~
~~POLICE TALK – YEAR 5 AND 6~~

~~FRIDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER~~
~~FLU IMMUNISATIONS – REC – YEAR 6~~

~~THURSDAY 1ST OCTOBER~~
~~YEAR 4 TRIP GREAT NORTH MUSEUM~~
~~PERMISSION NEEDED VIA ARBOR~~

~~MONDAY 5TH OCTOBER~~
~~YEAR 4 TRIP TYNEMOUTH PRIORY AND CASTLE~~
~~PERMISSION NEEDED VIA ARBOR~~

~~TUESDAY 6TH OCTOBER~~
~~YEAR 5 TRIP TO SALTWELL PARK~~
~~PERMISSION NEEDED VIA ARBOR~~

~~WEDNESDAY 7TH OCTOBER~~
~~YEAR 6 STEM FEST~~
~~PERMISSION NEEDED VIA ARBOR~~

📅 WEDNESDAY 14TH OCTOBER
🚒 FIRE SERVICE VISIT TO YEAR 2

📅 MONDAY 19TH OCTOBER
☕ EMTAS COFFEE MORNING

📅 TUESDAY 20TH OCTOBER
🏅 INTRA-SCHOOL COMPETITION

📅 THURSDAY 22ND OCTOBER
🎃 HALLOWEEN STAY AND PLAY
(NURSERY AND RECEPTION)

MORE DETAILS ABOUT ALL OF THESE EVENTS WILL BE SHARED VIA CLASS DOJO NEARER THE TIME.

FRIDAY 23RD OCTOBER
BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM

MONDAY 2ND NOVEMBER
INSET DAY

TUESDAY 3RD NOVEMEBR
BACK TO SCHOOL