

Ferham Primary School



18th March 2022



School announcements

This week Brian has been in school all week. The reaction by so many pupils has been wonderful: he's been welcomed into the Ferham family in the best way possible. Brian loves to engage with children and especially likes to listen to them reading.



There are so many amazing benefits to a school dog, the most valuable being:

- a calming effect on pupils;
- improved behaviour and concentration;
- reduced stress and improved self-esteem;
- improved expression, participation and confidence for children;
- a sense of nurture and responsibility;
- enthusiasm for and enjoyment of animals;
- encouraging respect and thereby improving pupils' relationships with each other, parents and teachers;
- helping children build confidence in reading,

AND improving attendance.



However, we know that some families may not want their child to go near Brian; this is not a problem. We respect your choice.

Brian will only be allowed near pupils whose parents have given permission for them to be in contact with him.

If there is an allergy or a fear or an objection on religious grounds, we will not allow Brian into that room. Please just let us know.

Having a school dog is becoming increasingly common because of the benefits they bring.

Another JMAT school has a dog, bearded dragons, fish and chickens!

You can read more about them here:

<https://www.bramptoncortonwoodinfants.co.uk/school-pets>

Star of the Week

This week in Ferham, there have been so many superstars around school. Behaviour has been exceptional throughout every year group. As a whole school reward, pupils will be getting an extra break time next week for their hard work, great attitude to learning and positive community spirit.

Attendance

Remember to contact the school office on 01709 740962 if your child is too ill to attend.
The attendance winner for 100% attendance this week is Ryan in class 1.

- FS2: 93.2%
- Year 1: 87.7%
- Year 2: 96.3%
- Year 3: 92.9%
- Year 4: 93.7%
- Year 5: 96.2%
- Year 6: 95.9%

Uniform standards

We would like to politely remind you of the standards expected at Ferham in regards to uniform. Pupils must come to school in uniform everyday, with the only exceptions being PE days (where PE kit must be worn) and specific non-uniform days which will be stipulated as and when.

The minimum expectations for school uniform are a white polo t-shirt, blue school jumper (unbranded or branded with the school logo), black trousers with sensible footwear.

PE kit standards are black jogging bottoms, white t shirt and a jumper/cardigan/ or sweatshirt to keep warm. Pupils are very active during PE and accidents can happen where a pupil falls. They can potentially dirty or damage clothing. School PE kits are designed to be more hard-wearing and more avoidable to replace as opposed to designer uniform.

Pupils are not expected to wear what they want to school and must adhere to the standards set in place. Pupils who do not wear uniform to school will be provided with a uniform to wear during the day that must be returned at the end of the day.

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