



NEWSLETTER

Friday 16th July 2021

Headteacher Comment

As we come to the end of a difficult and unsettled school year, we would like to thank all our families for their unwavering support through such challenging times. I would like to personally thank our staff team for their exceptional dedication and for continuing to go above and beyond for our school community. This has been no easy task whilst juggling their own personal circumstances due to the impact of Covid, isolation and home schooling their own children! I'm sure we will be relieved to see the end of the current restrictions and we hope to return to some level of normality by September. Fingers crossed!

During the school holidays our summer school will take place at **Partington Central Academy** for children from **both PCA and FGA**. This will run from 9am-2.30pm daily for children in Y1-Y5 during the weeks beginning 26th July and 2nd August. There has been an extremely high demand for these places so please check you have been allocated a place before attending. Places have been confirmed via SchoolPing.

We look forward to welcoming the children into their new year groups in September and we will be returning to our normal school opening times. The doors will open at **8.35am** to allow children time to get to their classes before lessons start at 8.45am. The school day will be **8.45am – 3.05pm**. Anyone arriving after 8.45am will be classed as late. Children return to school on **Tuesday 7th September**.

From everyone at Forest Gate Academy we would like to wish you all a fantastic family summer and look forward to seeing you all in the new academic year.

Enjoy!



Katy Higginson
Head of School

**Dates for your
Diary**
**Tuesday 20th
July – school
closes for
Summer at
1.30pm.**

Attendance

Week Ending
16.07.2021

R	89.7
Y1	89.4
Y3	91.4
Y4	89
Y5	91.6
Y6	97.1
Whole School (weekly)	91.3
Whole School (Sept to date)	95.7
Target 97%	



Huge congratulations to Mrs Welsh who is expecting a baby! Mrs Welsh will be returning to FGA for a few weeks at the start of the new school year whilst she hands over to our new Y1 teacher. I'm sure that all our families would like to join us in congratulating Mrs Welsh on her exciting news.

Welcome!

We would like to welcome Miss Carr to the Forest Gate team. Miss Carr will join us in September to take over Y1. She will work alongside Mrs Welsh in the first weeks of the school year to provide a smooth transition for our Y1 children.

Congratulations to Joshua, who has officially signed for Rochdale football club!

Also a huge thank you to the Williams family for the donation made to parent council for new football kits for school.



EYFS Teddy Bears Picnic

This week the EYFS planned and hosted a picnic for their favourite teddy bears. As part of their English work they listened to teddy bear stories and wrote their own teddy name labels, invitations and shopping lists. They also decorated their biscuits, made their own sandwiches and enjoyed eating them in the sunshine with their bears. Reception class also invited their teddies to their P.E. lesson and they took part in fun teddy relay races and team games.



Eco-School

Over the last few weeks, Miss Bowers has been making some changes towards our new journey into becoming an ECO-school. Last week, each class had a special recycling pack delivered to their classroom. They also received a netted bag to collect plastic bottles. The class with the least amount plastic in their net will receive the GREEN BAG AWARD to keep in their classroom. We have also invested in some litter picking equipment to keep our ECO-club safe in September. To start us off, there will be a competition during the summer holidays to encourage Forest Gate pupils to clean up our local area! If you would like to take part, you must email a picture of your child collecting litter SAFELY within their local community. The winners will be announced in September! Good Luck!



School Garden

As we finish for the school year, we would like to update you one last time on the school garden. The growing season will continue at pace over the holidays during which time, we hope to harvest courgettes, tomatoes, broad beans and maybe some late strawberries. The sweet peas will probably have finished by the time we all return but we may be fortunate to still see some trailing nasturtiums growing out of an old pair of jeans - repurposing at it's best! Thanks to all who have contributed their time and effort and see you in September.



Year 4

As part of our Mexico topic in Year 4 we have been learning about Frida Kahlo and in art we have drawn our own Frida inspired self-portraits. I'm sure you agree we have some budding artists at FGA! Can you guess who they are?



Here are just a few pictures highlighting the fun we have had learning this year!

