



Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel to School Starts Monday!



A reminder that the Big Walk and Wheel begins on Monday.

Allow some extra time to get to school if you are parking at Farrington Farm Shop or Farrington Inn.

House Points

The Year 6 token collectors have had some additional maths to work on to allow for the fact there are not an even amount of children in each team!

House Points (Last 4 Weeks)			
Ferentone	Mogg	Gournay	Azelin
57	61	66	89

This Week's Ace Learners

Agile	Compassionate	Engaged
Agile Ashley	Compassionate Courtney	Engaged Eddie
Colby Ted W Adalyn Bailey	Martha Teddy G Arthur Kayden Paris Jacob H Liv	George Arlo Otto Albie-Blu Millie Arran Grace Owen Zeta Charlotte N Tilly Freya F

Notices

- **Archery Club** - Due to the snow closure day, archery will run in the last week of term. Strike Day: any children who missed club this week will receive a credit from Premier Sport to go towards a future club.
- **Library Service** - Please see the following [link](#) relating to all that is happening in our local libraries.
- **Mobile Library Service** - Will be in the village next Tuesday 21st March between Farrington Way & Meadow Close (1:25pm-1.55pm).
- **Red Nose Day Cake Sale & Donations** - thank you for those who kindly baked cakes and donated towards this worthy cause, so far £165.27 has been raised.
- **St. John's Church** - Please see [here](#) the link to the weekly church events.

Next Week's Clubs

No Eco Club Monday - Dance Umbrella
Mad Science cancelled for the rest of term

Diary Dates

New dates and amendments in blue

March 2023

- Mon 20th Start of Sustran Big Walk and wheel to school - see above
- Mon 20th Class 4 to Dance Umbrella, Bath PM
- Wed 22nd Class 1 trip to Westonbirt Arboretum (letter sent home earlier this week)
- Wed 22nd - Year 4 Residential Trip to Mendip Outdoor Centre
- Fri 24th
- Mon 27th - Year 6 Residential Trip to Little Canada, Isle of Wight
- Fri 31st Term 4 ends

April 2023

- Mon 17th INSET Day
- Tue 18th First day of Term 5
Class 3 Swimming starts
- Wed 19th Farm to Food Learning Day at the Royal Bath & West Showground (C3/4)
- Thu 20th Year 6 Cross Country Event at Somervale School



Friends of Farrington Gurney

The children thoroughly enjoyed choosing a present for the fantastic females in their lives on Tuesday. The selling of these items raised £80, thank you to everyone who joined in.

We are looking forward to the school disco next Friday. To ensure we leave the hall as we find it, we have the following ground rules;

- Parents/carers must supervise children at all times.
- Please do not let children congregate in the foyer.
 - Children must not linger in the toilets.
- No-one is permitted to enter the changing rooms.
- Please do not allow children to climb the stacked chairs or play behind the curtain in the window. If you are sitting in these areas, please politely ask children not to do this.
- Children should remain in the hall. They will only be allowed to leave with an adult.

Apologies if these rules feel restrictive but we want to be able to use the hall for such events in future.

The next PTA meeting will be held on Wednesday 29th at 8pm in the Farrington Inn. All very welcome.

Springing to Life

Easter Family Holiday Activities at Wells Cathedral

Celebrate Easter with our craft workshops, and follow our self-guided trail or visit the Shroud of Turin Exhibition any time during the holidays!

Tuesday 4 April: Easter Birds' Nests
Ever wondered how birds make their nests to protect their eggs? Have a go using natural materials.

Wednesday 5 April: Easter Gardens
Follow our Easter trail then make your own beautiful Easter garden to tell the best part of the Easter story!

Thursday 6 April: Treasure Hunt
Follow our Easter crosses trail, collecting beads as you go to make your own cross necklace

Book online today at [wellscathedral.eventbrite.co.uk](https://www.wellscathedral.eventbrite.co.uk)

£2 per child (£1 if eligible for free school meals)
Accompanying adults FREE
Please note: Children must be accompanied by an adult

*Access to the Cathedral will be restricted during certain times due to HolyWeek services. Please check our Services and Music list on the Cathedral website: [wellscathedral.org.uk/services-music-list](https://www.wellscathedral.org.uk/services-music-list)

FOFGS DISCO

Friday 24th March
6:00 pm — 7:30 pm
Farrington Gurney Hall
£3 Per Child

Bar Will Be Open

Hot Dogs* Available £2

Tuck Shop

Glitter Face Art

Card Machine will be available at door for entry & Hot Dogs. Please bring change for Tuck Shop etc.

* Meat & Vegetarian Hot Dogs will be available, if you have any special dietary requirements please email fofgs@hotmail.co.uk

Rules
All children must be accompanied by an adult and supervised at all times. Children should remain in the hall, no re-entry.

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Thought of the Week

'As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road...the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

"Blessed is the king

who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven,

and glory in the highest heaven!"

(Luke 19: 36-38)



Christ's Entry Into Jerusalem - Norman Adams (1991)

It's a very familiar scene from the Bible and many of us know that we remember this event on Palm Sunday, the Sunday before Easter - April 2nd 2023.

But did you realise the significance of Jesus arriving on a donkey. This was the steed of choice for Israel's Old Testament kings (see [1 Kings 1:32-35](#)). As Jesus mounts the donkey and rides into the capital, he's not claiming to be gentle and meek so much as to be royal and ruling.

At this point, things were looking good. Jesus' disciples were probably feeling like he was at the top of his game, that he was entering Jerusalem to reign and rule as the promised Messiah.

Some people believe that Judas Iscariot may have belonged to the Sicarii which is where he could have got his name from. The Sicarii were a very radical Jewish group. It is likely that

Judas was expecting Jesus to rule as a warrior king, like King David before him, and that he was going to lead his followers into battle against the Romans. The Bible doesn't give us any details, but it would explain why after a week of healing, preaching and no fighting, he chose to betray him.

At this point in the Easter story, it may surprise us how easily the people change their minds. Here they are praising Jesus and referring to him as the king who comes in the Lord's name and less than a week later they are buying for his blood!

But isn't this true of all of us? One moment we can feel on top of the world and then later on, after we've had some bad news or a dreadful day at work, we can feel like our world is crashing down around us.

We often live our lives by our emotions, but unfortunately, we can't trust them. As we've seen, they change so often and so rapidly that they aren't a reliable way of gauging things.

As we approach this time of Easter and the weather begins to get more springlike (hopefully!), let's try and focus on what we can rely on. For Christians, whether they're having a happy or sad day, they can still experience God's joy in their lives. You may not be beaming from ear to ear, but you still know deep inside that God loves you and has a purpose for your life. Let's ask God to help us to be less fickle and instead to draw on his strength to manage life's ups and downs.

