



Year 6 Residential

Our Year 6 children have had a fun-filled, action-packed and energetic week during their residential at PGL on the Isle of Wight. They have proven to be a plucky group who have attempted all the challenges they have faced.



Visions and Values Parent Views

Our INSET Day after half term has a focus on further developing our work on the new school vision and associated values.

A parent survey with 5 thought-provoking questions for you to answer was sent out this week. Please reply if you have the time as your voice is appreciated in helping shape this important work. The survey is anonymous and closes a week today.

We hope you have an enjoyable Easter break and look forward to seeing you back in school on Tuesday 18th April.

Mr Dix and Mr Turull

House Points

House Points (Last 2 Weeks)			
Ferentone	Mogg	Gournay	Azelin
54	52	34	52
Term 4 Final Totals:			
Ferentone	Mogg	Gournay	Azelin
111	113	100	141
Congratulations Azelin A house treat will follow in Term 5			

Notices

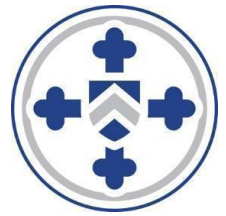
- **Clubs** - Please see [here](#) the clubs allocation list. If you have forgotten to respond for Term 5 & 6 they can be booked via the following Google form <https://forms.gle/U1WX4y3QyLJHFc8M7>. Please note that some clubs are now full.
- **Dinners for Term 5 & 6** - there will be a new menu for next term. **Booking will be available from the 3rd April.** The options will be different for those children with dietaries/allergies.
- **HAF Holiday Club** - There are many different types of clubs available to those children who qualify for FSM. Please see the emails sent home to you or contact the office.
- **Library Service** - Please see the following [link](#) relating to all that is happening in our local libraries.
- **Netball Easter Camp** - an opportunity for Y3-children interested in netball
https://twitter.com/bath_nc/status/1640978584373456896/photo/1
- **School Uniform** - A message from Norton Sports & Camping: Please find [here](#) the link to the 2023 school uniform price list which comes into effect May 1st 2023. The prices have been kept to a minimum, with an overall average increase of around 7% and we trust you understand the need for this modest adjustment in the present climate.
- **St. John's Church** - Please see [here](#) the link to the weekly church events.

Diary Dates

New dates and amendments in blue

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
Fri 28th	Celebration Assembly (2:30pm)



Friends of Farrington Gurney

It was fantastic to see so many people at the disco last Friday. A good time seemed to be had by both adults and children!! This event raised a brilliant £215. Many thanks to all those who volunteered to help, we really couldn't run this without you. A special thank you to the older siblings who ran the tuck shop and glitter face art. They did an amazing job.

Please remember to book a pitch to camp with us if you wish. The more the merrier!!

We hope you all have a lovely Easter break and the children enjoy their Easter eggs.



FREE five week cookery course for parents/carers and children

Join a group session to discover how to make easy, healthy budget friendly recipes in person or online

- Free recipe book and NEW video recipe links
- Support with meal planning and budgeting
- Encouraging children to eat balanced meals
- Ingredients provided or funded with £30 voucher

Upcoming start dates (one session per week);

- Wed 19th April- 17th May, 4-5.30pm, Orchard Hall, Midsomer Norton.
- Wed 19th April- 17th May, 4.30-5.30pm, online via Microsoft Teams.
- Thurs 18th May- 22nd June, 4-5.30pm, Oldfield Park Junior School, Bath (no session 2nd June).
- Tues 30th May- Fri 2nd June, 11-12.30pm, St Michael's Junior Church school, Twerton (May half term course).
- Wed 7th June- 5th July, 4-5.30pm, Castle Primary School, Keynsham.

Contact the Community Wellbeing Hub to book on

Tel: 0300 247 0050 Email: BATHNES.thehub@hcrpgcaregroup.com

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School Family Camp 2023

Friday 30th June -
Sunday 2nd July 2023

Please come and join us for the Farrington Gurney School Family Camp 2023. We always have lots of fun! A chance for kids to be kids for the weekend, and parents to sit back and relax. There are fire pits to hire, so we always enjoy some toasted marshmallows. Good toilet and shower facilities, as well as a pizza van and coffee hut. So you really don't need 'all the gear' to join in. You can also visit for the day.

Don't delay, book now! Details below:

Pitch Availability and charges are all online www.petruithpaddocks.co.uk

- Select the dates
- Select Pre-named family group from the drop-down
- State our exact group name 'Farrington Gurney School' in the Group name field.

If you want to pitch with the main group, please select **GRASS PITCH**.

Powered grass pitches are in a line and will be a short distance away

Powered Hardstandings are in a line a 2-minute walk away

Bell tents will be pitched near the group, but other accommodation options are in a separate field, so fine to stay in but will be a 2-3 minute stroll from the rest of the group.

If you have a problem with the booking process, please either email: webbiz@petruithpaddocks.co.uk or call: 01934 257055

Day visitors are welcome on site from 10am. They will be asked to park in the visitor's car park, register at reception and pop a few shekels into the charity tin. They are welcome to stay till 10pm when gates are then closed.



Thought of the Week

**'Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;
my body also will rest secure,
because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead,
nor will you let your faithful one see decay.'**
(Psalm 16:9-10)



'Risen Christ' Estcourt James Clack (1955)

So Easter. What's it all about?

The word Easter doesn't even have anything to do with Resurrection. The naming of the celebration as "Easter" seems to go back to the name of a pre-Christian goddess in England, Eostre, who was celebrated at the beginning of spring. The only reference to this goddess comes from the writings of the Venerable Bede, a British monk living in the seventh and eighth centuries.

It's probably for this reason that some Christians refer to Easter Sunday as Resurrection Sunday. Although the weekend starts with a difficult and distressing death, by

the middle of the weekend, there's this happy and joyous event.

For many people, the whole concept of the resurrection can be difficult to grasp. The idea that someone who was brutally killed on Friday can walk out of his tomb on Sunday doesn't seem very likely.

Many people over the years have tried to disprove these events. All sorts of things have been suggested, one being that Jesus wasn't actually on the cross and that it was someone else. Another is that Jesus was on the cross but he didn't actually die. A third idea is that Jesus did die but then his disciples took his body from the tomb and hid it so everyone would believe that he came back to life.

The point is when you look into it, none of these ideas really stand up. Firstly, the Jewish leaders who wanted him killed recruited someone who had been with Jesus for the last three years to identify him. They must have got the right man. Also, the Romans were one of the most brutal communities of all time. They knew how to kill someone. The Bible suggests that Jesus died relatively quickly and they stuck a spear in his side to make sure. In fact they were so sure he was dead, they didn't even need to break his legs (which is what they often did to speed up the crucifixion process).

The idea that the disciples could have organised themselves to hide his body is also extremely unlikely. These were men who ran away at the first sign of trouble when Jesus' was arrested and who, apart from John, were all non-existent at his crucifixion. They spent all of the Saturday in hiding and whenever Jesus actually mentioned rising on the third day, they didn't seem to pay him any attention. If this had been a big conspiracy, they certainly weren't in on it.

Many of the people who do believe in the resurrection are sensible and rational human beings, who haven't been brainwashed or manipulated into believing it. Even if it does seem a bit unbelievable, that's why it's considered a miracle. Surely we could all benefit from one of those. Happy Easter!