



## Well done Year 6!

We are hugely proud of all of our Year 6 pupils as we reach the end of the Key Stage 2 SATS week. They maintained a positive, focussed and determined attitude every single day and gave each test their very best. Thank you very much to Mrs Mathieson for filling the week with incentives to keep things on track and to all the adults for their support. Year 6 said, 'Thanks to Mrs Coles for preparing breakfast this week and especially for the bacon rolls to mark our last day of tests. A big thank you also to Mrs Rippon for organising the post SATS pizza treat and to Mrs Biffen for delivering them. It was a great way to end our assessment week.'



## Turtle and Shark visit to Chew Valley Animal Park

Turtle and Shark Classes had a fantastic day at Chew Valley Animal Park on Wednesday. They were incredibly lucky with the weather and managed to avoid the rain! Every single one of the children were brilliantly behaved and really got all that they could from the day. Well done and thank you to all of the children as they made us very proud and represented the school brilliantly on our day out. Another thank you to our volunteers who joined us for the day, without you we wouldn't have been able to go. If you would like to help out on school trips please speak to the office as we always need more volunteers!



## Walk to School and Wellness Week 18th -22nd May

Next week, we would like to encourage as many families to walk to school as possible as part of Walk to School Week. The walking bus will be running **daily**, leaving the entrance of Farrington's at 8:20am. Remember that you are welcome to walk with us, but if you would like to drop your child off at the farm shop, please email [turtle@farrington.mnsp.org.uk](mailto:turtle@farrington.mnsp.org.uk) and they can walk to school under supervision of school staff. There will be daily stickers and certificates at the end of the week, so please do join us if you can. It is also Wellness Week next week, and we have daily themes to help us to learn more about our

brains, mental health and wellbeing. We will be kicking off the week with Music Monday and drumming workshops, followed by Tricks Tuesday, Wandering Wednesday, Thrifty Thursday and Foodie Friday. We need lots of cardboard boxes for Thrifty Thursday and will be collecting them from Monday, so please send in as many as you can.

## Guidance for computer games

It has come to our attention that some children in the school are accessing online games that are not appropriate for their age. Please be vigilant about what your child is playing and has access to. Guidance about video game restrictions can be found [here](#).

Finally, thank you very much to those of you who spotted the clash of dates for our whole school trip. This has now been changed to **Friday 3rd July**. If you offered to come along as a volunteer, please could you contact the office to confirm whether or not you are still able to join us. Our apologies for any inconvenience caused. The letter and consent will be available on Arbor on Monday.

**Mrs Geeson and Mr Turull**



## Classes

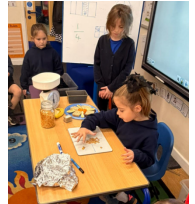


Turtle Class really enjoyed their workshop at Chew Valley Animal Park where they could hold small animals before exploring the larger animals around the park. Their favourite thing to do was spend time in the goat enclosure. The children absolutely loved it and it was lovely to see such happy smiley faces all day!



SHARK CLASS

This week, the children in Shark Class have been learning that fractions are equal parts of a whole. They have explored halves and quarters and had some fun using food to explore fractions of shapes and amounts. They have worked really hard at this, so please do ask them about it at home.



SEAL CLASS

In Science, we are learning about light and this week we have been exploring shadows. We were investigating which objects made dark shadows and which made light shadows. We used our key vocabulary, opaque, translucent and transparent to explain our reasoning.



DOLPHIN CLASS

Dolphin Class have been working hard completing our SATs and NFER assessments this week. They have all been brilliant and should be proud of themselves. To work off some excess energy and to mark the end of our assessments, we joined a live Joe Wicks workout yesterday afternoon.



## Friends of Farrington

Thank you to everyone who supported our Movie night last night. It was so lovely to see so many children and we hope they enjoyed the film as much as we did.

We raised over £200 & we are sure the money will go to some lovely activities within school.

If anyone has some time we would love some new faces to help us with these kinds of events; so please reach out to us or contact the office.



## Notices

- **ARBOR** - Please ensure your data on your child/ren's record is correct.
- **Clubs** - There are no cancelled clubs next week. Please see below for additional clubs for term 6:

**Fizz Pop Science Club (Y1-6) Tuesday** - registration is now open (via [www.fizzpopscience.co.uk](http://www.fizzpopscience.co.uk) and click on the 'Cloud' and register on Arbor.

**Ignite Sports (YR-6) Thursday** - register [here](#) and please register on Arbor.

**Musical Theatre Club** - register [here](#).

- **Dinners** - Please remember to book by Thursday midnight for the following week. The menus for next term are now live to book.
- **St. John's Church** - Please see [here](#) the link to the weekly church events.





## We've got an amazing Pollinator Party for you on 17 May

**FORAGING:** At 10, we will have a short talk about foraging – and then go do it, guided by Emily from EcoWild. We will come back with treasures to make our own cordial. The walk is easy and highly suitable for foragers of all ages.

Once back in the Village Hall, you will be able to **make houses for hedgehogs, bug boxes and butterfly feeders**. You can also bring your digital waste to have it wiped and recycled or reused. The FIXY van isn't coming to us; we are collecting for them this time. So you know it's secure and safe.

**WILLOW CRAFT:** once again guided by Emily, you and yours can make willow birds and bugs or try your hand at a willow wand for making gigantic eco-friendly bubbles.

**A free lunch cooked by Chef Gary will be a fabulous tagine!**

For adults worried about their rising heating costs, there's a short talk on the big discounts being offered by BANES for energy surveys which make recommendations for how to make your home warmer and save money. Those who've had these say they are eye-opening (in a good way!)

Also there will be a talk about hedgehogs and how to look after them (NO bread and milk) and, last but not least: a Free Herb Plant giveaway: all kinds of delicious plants aching to go to ground in your gardens.

At 2pm there will be a screening of the People's Emergency Briefing, a film made with Chris Packham and Deborah Meaden about how we can tackle local flooding, air pollution, the cost of living and food prices: all crises that are inter-connected. It's just 45' long and afterwards Councillor Dina Romero will lead a discussion of what we can do to make life better here in Farrington Gurney. The film is rated 16+, the only part of an action-packed day that isn't for kids.

Do Come – and help us Keep Farrington Green!

## Diary Dates

### May

Mon 18th - Fri 22nd  
Fri 22nd

Walk to School and Wellness Week  
End of Term 5

### June

Mon 1st  
Thur 4th  
Fri 12th  
Tue 16th

Term 6 starts  
Class Photos and Year 6 with Nigel Coles  
Celebration Assembly  
Dolphin Class Quadkids Athletics (details to follow)  
New Intake Parent Meeting 4-5pm  
Year 3/4 Gymnastics competition 12.30-3 (details to follow - small group attending)  
Year 3/4 Tennis tournament 1-3 (details to follow - small group attending)  
Leavers Moving Up Celebration at Wells Cathedral (please consent on Arbor)  
Teddy Bears Picnic on the Field for New Intake 12-1pm  
Celebration Assembly  
Y4, 5 & 6 Bristol Beacon Trip (please consent on Arbor)

### July

Thur 2nd (not the 9th)  
Fri 3rd (not Thur 2nd)  
Tue 7th  
Wed 8th

New Intake Stay & Play Session 9:30-11am and Shuffle Up day  
Whole School Trip to Westonbirt Arboretum  
Dolphin Class Matinee Performance 1.30-3pm (details to follow re tickets)  
School Sports Day  
Seal Class Quadkids Athletics after school (details to follow)  
Dolphin Class Evening Performance 5-7pm (details to follow re tickets)  
Last Celebration Assembly for this academic year  
Last swimming session for KS1.  
Y6 Pilgrimage to Paulton AM (details to follow)  
Leavers Service at the Church 9-10am  
Year 6 Final Farewell under the tree on the sports pitch 2:30-3:15pm  
End of Term 6

Thur 9th  
Friday 10th  
Tue 14th  
Wed 15th  
Friday 17th

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*A place where all can flourish, find fulfilment and experience life in all its fullness*

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**LTA BIG TENNIS WEEKENDS** **BISHOP SUTTON Tennis Club**

## BISHOP SUTTON TENNIS CLUB ANNUAL OPEN DAY

SUNDAY 17 MAY 11AM - 2PM

**LTA YOUTH START**  
FUN SESSIONS FOR TOTS, MINIS AND 8-11

**MIXED TENNIS**  
CHALLENGES & GAMES FOR TEENS & ADULTS

**CARDIO TENNIS**  
HIGH IMPACT TENNIS DRILLS

**ONE POINT SLAM**  
CAN YOU BEAT THE COACHES?

**PICKLEBALL**  
TRY THE US'S FASTEST GROWING SPORT

PLUS REFRESHMENTS, BBQ AND CAKE STALL

SAVE A MASSIVE 50% ON ALL NEW MEMBERSHIP PACKAGES TAKEN OUT ON THE OPEN DAY\*

\*TO QUALIFY YOU MUST NOT HAVE HELD A MEMBERSHIP WITHIN THE LAST FIVE YEARS

## Fahrenheit's Family Funday

Farrington Gurney Memorial Hall & Playing fields.

Saturday 20th June 2026. 12 Noon - 4pm.

Fahrenheit Display Team.  
Raffle.  
Face Painting.  
Various stalls.  
Games.  
Bouncy Castle.  
BBQ.

And much more!

join the FUN

## ignite sport

after school sports club  
Farrington Gurney C of E Primary School

### All Years Summer Sports

Thursdays: 15:15 - 16:30

BOOK ONLINE HERE!

SCAN ME

**why join...?**

- Inclusive for all Abilities - activities are adapted so every child can join in and thrive!
- Safe, Supervised, and Structured - every session is led by qualified coaches with years of experience!
- Smiles every Session - children leave buzzing with energy and stories to tell!
- Fun Guaranteed - fun, games based sessions with plenty of colour!

For more information check our website

[www.ignite-sport.co.uk](http://www.ignite-sport.co.uk)



### Thought of the Week

**'But when the kindness and love of God our Saviour appeared, he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy.' (Titus 3: 4-5)**



'Be Not Afraid' - Liz Lemon Swindle (2019)

This term in school, we are thinking about the value of justice. It's a strange value, because we often want to link fairness and justice together, but they can be quite different.

Both are said to be impartial and in the dictionary, being 'just' is mentioned when defining fairness and being 'fair' is mentioned when defining justice.

But, when comparing them, the difference becomes more apparent. Fairness is about how we are treated in comparison to others - we should all be treated equally and fairly, with no bias shown towards some people or individuals. Justice, on the other hand, has more to do with giving a person his due or getting what someone deserves.

Fairness comes up quite a lot, especially in situations where children are concerned, as in "it's not fair!" Justice is often seen to have more gravitas, probably because we think about our justice system, where people are put on trial for crimes they have or haven't committed.

Many people associate justice with God, that God is a just God. Often this can be seen quite negatively, as if God deals out punishments willy-nilly, at a whim because no one is good enough and everyone gets things wrong.

For Christians though, it couldn't be more wrong. Although God is a just God, he is also a loving God. When Jesus died on the cross, Christians believe that he took the place for all of us, taking God's punishment for our sins on himself. It's as if the judge in the law court states what the punishment is going to be and then steps down from the platform to take that punishment in our place.

Now because justice has been served, God no longer deals out punishments - he deals out mercy and forgiveness. He does this for whoever wants to accept his mercy and his forgiveness, because no one is good enough and everyone gets things wrong.

So the next time someone says "it's not fair", maybe remind them that often things in life aren't fair - and this includes not getting what we deserve for the things we've done wrong. Never has life not being fair been so good!

He saved us, not because of righteous things  
we had done, but because of his mercy.  
He saved us through the washing of rebirth  
and renewal by the Holy Spirit.

**Titus 3:5**

