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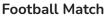
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Welcome Back

It was lovely to welcome everyone back to school this week for the final term of the academic year. All classes have hit the ground running with new topics and learning as well as having exciting plans for special events and celebrations that will be coming up this term for children across the school. Events we have to look forward to include Sports Day, our whole school trip, sports festivals, leavers' celebrations and of course the Dolphin Class summer production. We will keep you updated with any alterations to clothing that may be needed for these, and look forward to a busy and productive term.





On Tuesday a team from Years 4-6 took part in a football match against Farmborough. The final score was 5-0 to Farmborough. The determination and teamwork of our squad was inspirational to watch with our goalkeeper, Thomas, described as 'awesome' by the other team's manager. We look forward to our team going from strength to strength with more talented players coming up through the school. Children in Year 6 have the opportunity of one final friendly match in a few weeks - details to follow.

Miss Morris

We have said goodbye and good luck to Miss Morris today as she leaves us to start her new job as a fully qualified TA at a school in Bath. She will be missed by children and staff alike, but has promised to come back and visit when she can!

Classes for September 2025

We would like to invite parents and carers from Turtle Class to come to an information meeting about Year 1 and Year 2 arrangements for next year. This will be taking place in the hall at 2:45pm on Thursday 12th June. If you are unable to attend this, we will send out the information covered after the meeting and arrange a further time to meet for questions if needed.

Times Tables

With the multiplication check for Year 4 happening in school next week, it has highlighted to us what great progress our children have been making in TT Rock Stars. The average speed across the school is an incredible 3.5 seconds, our Year 4s are currently ranked tenth in BANES and many further certificates are being printed off for children on a weekly basis.



Mrs Geeson and Mr Turull

Thank you from Mrs Haskins

'I would like to say a massive thank you to everyone that gave me or contributed to gifts, flowers and cards on my retirement. I was completely overwhelmed by the generosity and I truly appreciate it. I will miss all the amazing children and parents at Farrington Gurney school, it is a very special place'. A place where all can flourish, find fulfilment and experience life in all its fullness

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Notices

- Breakfast Club please remember to book/pay for your breakfast club spaces via the ParentPay portal.
- Class photos (+Year 6) the class photo order proofs will be sent home in 10 days please return them quickly to qualify for free P&P.
- Clubs all clubs will run as normal next week.
- **Colour Run** Information is <u>here</u> (including your consent via a google form). Thank you to those who have already signed up, please can those who have not done this please do so over the weekend?
- FSM Trip packed lunches if your child qualifies for Free School Meals (eligible by benefits) and requires a basic packed lunch prepared by the catering team for any of the up and coming trips please remember to let the office know and book via ParentPay in plenty of time.
- **SENDIAS** please click <u>here</u> for the link to their helpful information including meeting dates.
- **St. John's Church** Please see <u>here</u> the link to the weekly church events.
- Whole School Trip to Lyme Regis 4th July. Please consent/pay via ParentPay.
- Year 6 Move up Celebration Trip to Wells Cathedral is now on ParentPay to consent.
- Young Carers you can find helpful information by clicking here.

	Diary Dates
	June
Tue 10th	Year 6 Move Up Celebrations (please consent via ParentPay)
Fri 13th	Celebration Assembly
	Colour Run 2.30pm (sent today via email/google forms and paper sponsorship form sent home
Mon 16th	Years 5/6 Quadkids Athletics Tournament 3:45-5:45pm (details to follow)
Thur 19th	Year 2 Bath Uni Multiskills Day (please consent on ParentPay)
	Doodle Maths Parent Information Session 2:45pm in the Memorial Hall
Fri 27th	Celebration Assembly
	July
Wed 2nd	Sports Day/weather permitting (Parents welcome on the field from 1:15pm)
Thu 3rd	Shuffle up day
Fri 4th	Whole School Trip to Lyme Regis
	(Late return at approx 4:30pm traffic allowing: please see ParentPay to consent/pay)
Tue 8th	Year 3/4 Quadkids Athletics Tournament 3:45-5:45pm (details to follow)
Wed 9th	Reserve Sports Day
Fri 11th	FINAL Celebration Assembly
	Talent Show (change of date)
Tue 15th	Dolphin Class Matinee Performance pm time tbc
Thur 17th	Dolphin Class Evening Performance evening time tbc
Fri 18th	Leavers Service at the Church (Parents welcome 9:15-10:15am)
	Year 6 Farewell under the tree (Year 6 Parents welcome 2:30-3:15pm)
	End of school year

Message from Friends of Farrington Gurney School

Tickets for the colour run paint will be on sale again after school and we are really looking forward to this event next Friday (13th) fingers crossed the weather will be great!!

Wednesday 11th June will be our last meeting for this school year, if you would like to join us in September please come along at 8pm at the Farrington Inn.







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Community News

Free Sleep Webinar for primary aged children

We are pleased to offer a FREE webinar to support parents and carers of primary aged children whose children are struggling with sleep, hosted by the School Aged Health service. The session will take place on the 18th of June 11:00-12:00 and is specifically designed for parents and carers.

If you would like to attend, please use the link or QR code below to sign up. We encourage you to join us for this valuable session!

<u>https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/58cc0088-b114-46df-a762-836b09045be0@2c2b1ee0-a8</u> <u>a1-49e6-a820-5ce4890cf466</u>



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Thought for the Week

"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." (Romans 8:28 NIV)

This verse is ok when things seem to be going well, when all things seem to be working out for our good. But what about when things aren't going so well? What about when we are suffering in some way?

The next few paragraphs are based on a passage from a book by C.S. Lewis, called 'The Problem of Pain'. C.S. Lewis, the man behind the Narnia books, experienced a lot of pain in his own life, and so when he wrote about it, he was talking from experience...

"...The process of letting go of our selfishness can be made easier by the pain that comes with it. There are a few reasons why.

First, we often won't even think about giving up our own will unless things start to go wrong. The deeper our mistakes and sins go, the less we notice them; they're like hidden problems. Pain, on the other hand, is obvious—it's something we can't ignore. Everyone knows when something is wrong because it hurts. We can sometimes ignore even our own foolishness or indulgence, like watching someone eat too much food without really paying attention to what they're doing. But pain? It demands attention. It's like God's way of calling out to us when we're too distracted or numb to listen. He whispers in our pleasures, speaks in our conscience, but when we're in pain, it's as if He's shouting at us; it is his megaphone to rouse



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If the first way pain works is by breaking the illusion that everything is fine, the second way is by breaking the idea that what we have—whether it's good or bad—is enough for us. We all know how hard it is to think about God when things are going well. We might say "I have everything I need," but if that "everything" doesn't include God, it's a pretty empty statement. It's like we think we only need God in emergencies, like a parachute—we hope we never have to use it. The truth is, though, God knows that our true happiness comes from Him. But we don't seek that happiness as long as we think we can find it somewhere else. So, what can God do for us? He might make our "perfect" life less enjoyable, or take away things that we think are making us happy but really aren't. It might seem cruel at first, but this is actually where God's kindness shines through the most—He's humbling Himself to help us see what we're missing."

A thought - can pain bring us back to our need of God, rather than turn us away from him?