



School Uniform

As noted last term, we have reviewed our uniform policy ready for September. This is shown below giving clarity on the expectations for September and for parents to have this information ahead of buying uniform/shoes for September. Please note that the requirements regarding jewellery, make-up and long hair being tied up are already in place.

Farrington Gurney C of E Primary School Uniform 2023-24

Either a white shirt, white blouse or white polo shirt (with or without a school logo) can be worn. A dark blue polo shirt is also acceptable.

Navy blue school jumper or cardigan with the school logo on.

Grey or black trousers, skirt, or shorts (knee-length) or blue gingham summer dress / grey pinafore dress.

Black, grey, navy or white socks. Black, navy or grey tights.

Black shoes, (boot style footwear is acceptable only during the winter months) No trainers unless there are medical needs.

PE Kit: children should wear t-shirts with a school logo in their house colours. We encourage the use of the school hoodies, but other plain blue hoodies are acceptable. Navy or black shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms. Trainers are preferred to daps/plimsolls.

Other than stud earrings, no jewellery (necklaces, bracelets etc) is allowed to be worn. No make up is to be worn including nail varnish. All long hair must be tied up. Watches to help children learn to tell the time are encouraged, however these must not be 'smart watches'.



Our School Uniform supplier is:
Norton Sports and Camping, 77 High Street, Midsomer Norton. (01761 418972)

We encourage responsible reuse of pre-worn uniforms, see members of the Friends of Farrington Gurney School who ensure second-hand clothing is regularly available.

Cricket

Well done to the boys from Class 4 who matched the girls team by winning 2 of their 5 games in this week's tournament.

Weather Warning

With a Met Office warning for heat over the weekend and into the beginning of next week, please can you make sure that your children come to school with a sun hat, a full water bottle and with sun cream applied. We may make adjustments to learning outside and lunchtimes depending on the level of heat.

Celebration Assembly

Please note next week's Celebration Assembly has been cancelled due to the hall being in use. Our next assembly will take place on Friday 30th June at 2:30pm.

Mr Dix and Mr Turull

Notices

- **Class 2 Trips** - to Singing Festival & Bristol Synagogue next week. All details relating to these trips can be found via your ParentPay accounts. Please consent and pay by Monday.
- **Clubs** - All clubs will be taking place as usual next week.
- **Dinners** - Please remember that it is critical that you remember to book by Thursday midnight for the following week, as our Catering Team order the food on Friday morning for the following week.
- **St. John's Church** - Please see [here](#) the link to the weekly church events.

Diary Dates

New dates and amendments in blue

June 2023

Wed 14th	Class 2 Singing Event at Farrington Golf Club
Thurs 15th	Class 2 Trip - Bristol Synagogue
Fri 16th	Celebration Assembly
Thu 22nd	2:45 pm Family Service in Church (pick up from Church)
Wed 28th	Sports Day (afternoon)
Fri 30th	Celebration Assembly (Class 3 & 4 showing)

July 2023

Wed 12th	Whole School Trip to St Fagans
Thu 13th	Wizard of Oz Matinee (1:15pm)
Fri 14th	Wizard of Oz Evening (6pm)
Thu 20th	2pm Leavers' / End of year Assembly



Friends of Farrington Gurney School

We will be holding a "Marvellous Men" sale on Wednesday 14th June ahead of Father's day. This will take place during morning break time, all items £2.

Please also remember our Summer Auction as displayed in the poster below. Bidding starts in just over a week from now...

SUMMER AUCTION
Bidding will be open
17th June – 25th June

We have some fantastic items available, highest bidder wins.
More details on how to bid will be revealed soon!

- 2 annual passes for Farrington plan barn - separate lots
- Family photo shoot with 5 images (Rose Dedman)
- Full day nursery care at Little Stars
- Family of 4 entry to Noah's Ark Zoo (Gary Johnstone)
- £50 Mendip Glow Gift Voucher (Zee Ponari)
- £50 Bath Hand Car Wash (Zee Ponari)
- Domestic boiler service (Darren Chivers)
- A night in an air BnB (Belinda Meighan)
- 4 child entry to Writhlington soft play
- Cut and Blow dry at Pigtails (Laura Stevens)
- £60 voucher for Hair by Ri (Rhiannon Pulsford)
- ½ hour private horse-riding lesson at HayStreet Farm
- £30 voucher & home visit from Dan's ice cream van
- Large bouquet of flowers (Tor Clements)
- Carpet Clean (Ryan Church)
- £75 dog sitting / boarding voucher (Sam Clements)
- £30 Farrington Social Club voucher (Sam Clements)
- £25 Farrington Inn voucher (Oli Ashman)
- Homemade cake (Jayne Green)

All proceeds will go to the
Friends of Farrington Gurney School
Huge Thank you to all those named above for donating

FoFGS

Magnificent Men Gift Sale

Wednesday 14th June

Gifts will be sold by the PTA during school hours

£2 each

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Drama Club

Suitable for ages 6 - 13

THEATRE GAMES, IMPROVISATIONS, IMAGINATION, FRIENDS, FUN!!

A 3 week introductory course just £15.
Single sessions possible, please ask.

Temple Cloud Village Hall
3:45pm - 4:45pm
Thursdays, 29 June, 6 July, 13 July

for more information :
cohenrh@hotmail.com
07861 222 187



Thought of the Week

“Unless a grain of wheat is buried in the ground, dead to the world, it is never any more than a grain of wheat. But if it is buried, it sprouts and reproduces itself many times over.”

(John 12:24)



When I read today's verse, I am reminded of a clip from the Pixar film 'Bug's Life'. You can watch it here -

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5_kjdnWkskg.

When we're young, we can often feel too little to be able to do anything of any worth. But here we are reminded how one tiny seed can grow and become a tree. They can produce their own fruit, they give shade and a place for animals to live and they give out oxygen for us to breathe. They are so much more useful than one tiny seed.

So we all start off as seeds and become trees. Great. But what about when we feel we can't manage even though we are now trees. We have responsibilities, we provide for our families and loved ones, we create and maintain a home for our children to grow up in. Sometimes though, things can get on top of us and we can feel like a seed again - that we just can't do it all.

Notice in the verse that the seed needs to be buried. Unless it is buried it remains just a seed and is of no use to anyone.

Are you in a place where you feel like you're buried? There's just so much to do and not enough time to do it all? You're buried under a mountain of jobs, or a pile of paperwork, or a never ending inbox, or maybe all three?

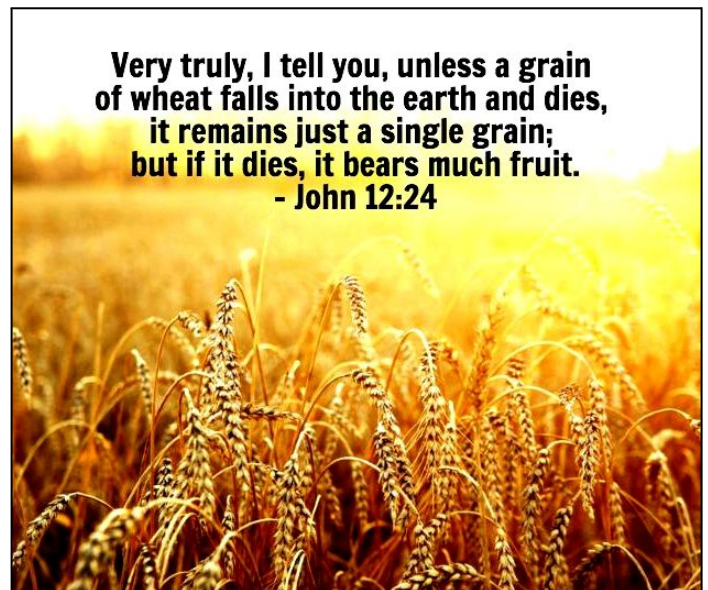
Sometimes we go through times like this, but unless we do, as the verse says we are unable to sprout and grow.

Often it's only when we go through difficult times and we have to work through them that we find ourselves developing new strategies and finding new ways of doing things and before we know it we've grown.

For Christians, this often means praying through things with God. Jesus himself would often go off by himself to pray and often this would be during those overwhelming times. When his cousin John died, he took himself off in a boat to be by himself and was greeted by a multitude of people who wanted to be healed. This then led onto the feeding of the 5000. Not exactly one to one time with his Father.

If you are finding yourself having a "buried seed" moment, just take a moment to reflect and pause. Ask yourself these questions. What is essential, what can I delegate and what can I drop? Who can support me through this? What could I do differently?

But then ask yourself these questions. How have I grown? What can I do now that I couldn't do a year ago or five years ago? What am I managing now that I couldn't see myself doing before? I hope you are encouraged by the answers.



**Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.
- John 12:24**