



Whole School Longleat Trip

What an uplifting day it was on Wednesday as the school community had a memorable day out at Longleat. It was such a pleasure to see the children enjoying themselves; please see the comments from each class with photos below.

The Greatest Show

We have almost completed the end of year production. The children have worked incredibly hard and can be justifiably proud of their efforts. At Thursday's matinee it was good to see audience members smiling, and indeed in some cases, crying with joy at the singing talent on show. Well done Class 4 and the children from Class 3 who joined us to add some extra effects to the show.



School's Out For Summer

A reminder that at the end of the last day of term we have been invited down to Farringtons to celebrate the end of term. To gather estimated numbers, they have asked those planning on attending to email event@farringtons.co.uk. See poster below for further details.

End of Year Reports

Your child's end of year report will be emailed home this afternoon. These reports aim to celebrate the children's achievements this year and indicate areas of improvement. If you would like to follow up on anything with your child's teacher, you can contact them through the class emails to arrange to meet them before the end of term.

Parent Questionnaire 2022

We always welcome feedback you have on the school either acknowledging the positives, or offering feedback on where we could improve. We have worked hard on last year's feedback of which improving communication was the main item. In response to this we started up our class emails so parents have more direct communication with the teachers, especially when face-to-face meetings are not possible. In addition we have also held five parent forums where you have the opportunity to speak directly with Mr Turull and Mr Dix. You will receive a separate email with the link to the survey.

September 2022

Following recent interviews we are pleased to announce we have recruited 2 new members of staff to join our team in September. On the teaching front we welcome Miss Rowlinson-Baker, who will be working 2.5 days a week in Class 2. To replace Miss Gunter, who isn't returning after her maternity leave, we are delighted to welcome Mrs Frampton, who will join our teaching assistant team 3 days a week. We are really pleased to have recruited 2 talented individuals and we are sure you will give them a warm 'Farrington Welcome' in September.

We are now able to share our teaching staff structure with you for September.

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| Class 1: | Miss Mason |
| Class 2: | Mrs Oates (formerly Miss Shutter) Monday → Wednesday and
Miss Rowlinson-Baker Thursday → Friday (plus sometimes on Wednesday
afternoons) |
| Class 3: | Mrs Glover Wednesday → Friday
Mr Marvin Monday → Tuesday |
| Class 4: | Mr Dix with Mrs Haskins covering on Wednesdays |

As you may have spotted above, Miss Shutter will be getting married in the summer holidays and will be known as Mrs Oates from September. We all wish her the very best for a fabulous wedding!

Mr Dix & Mr Turull



Whole School Trip to Longleat

Class 1

The children all had a wonderful time at Longleat and when asked what their favourite things were they all talked about all the different wonderful animals they had seen. They especially loved the meerkats when they kept darting around them, the giraffes on the safari, the crocodile and the very cute koala bear. Thank you Mr Dix for arranging such a fantastic trip!!



Class 2



Class 2 really enjoyed the trip to Longleat. The favourite animals were seeing the sloth move lots and all the guinea pigs. We also enjoyed going on the train ride and having a packed lunch.



Class 3



Class 3 had a great time at Longleat. They managed to do quite a lot in the time they had. Everyone had a different favourite part: Zakhar was enthralled with the train ride, Rosie and Lotte were fascinated with the parrots and Xander just loved the thrill of the death slide! A wonderful time was had by all!

Class 4

After a trip through the safari park and a lunch under the trees, Class 4 enjoyed the Jungle Cruise and the opportunity to feed the sea lions as they splashed alongside the boat. They also spent time in the Adventure Castle and many of them enjoyed the splash zone, which they used to cool down in at the end of the day.





Community News

Message from Margaret Heffernan

LITTER PICK THIS WEEKEND

Come join us cleaning up our beautiful village. 10am at Farrington's café where you'll find a drink and a cake waiting for you. Kids, families, all welcome!

...and also

ADOPT A TREE

The new trees planted near the playground and along the A362 need some love and attention in this hot weather. If you'd like to Adopt a Tree, please just email green.farrington@gmail.com

Notices

- **Clubs** - There are no further clubs this term. We aim to have next term's clubs letter sent home next week.
- **Heatwave update** - Please see [here](#) the link to communication from the MAT sent earlier this week.
- **Library Service** - Please see the following [link](#) relating to all that is happening in our local libraries.
- **Governor Vacancies** - Would you like to join the School Governing Team? If so please have a chat with one of us to understand more or send an email to arrange a call (adele.ross@msnpartnership.com). A background in education is not a requirement (many of the current LGB do not work in education) we welcome all experiences and backgrounds.
- **Music for Schools** - Lessons will be on a Thursday morning going forward from next term. If there are any children who would like to learn an instrument; please contact the office.
- **St. John's Church** - Please see [here](#) the link to the weekly church events.
- **Welly's** - All welly's will be sent home this week. Please remember to bring a set in for the new term in September (clearly labelled).

Diary Dates

July

Monday 18th

Tuesday 19th

Wednesday 20th

Thursday 21st

Year 6 Pilgrimage to Paulton

Class 3: Last Swim - Fun Swim

Final Celebration Assembly at St John's Church - all welcome (2:00pm)

Leaver's Gathering (2:30pm on the field) Year 6 families only

Farrington Farm Park FREE Fun Session after school 3.15pm onwards

Last day of the school year

We will be having INSET Days on Thursday 1st September and Friday 2nd September. All children in the school will return on Monday 5th September.



Friends of Farrington Gurney School

Thank you everyone for all of your support this school year with our fundraising efforts. We have managed to offer some fantastic opportunities to the children and provided resources/refreshments to the children on key events.

As ever, we are still looking for new members of FOFGS for the next school year, so if you are interested please let us know.

FOFGS 2021/22 ★

WE HAD A SLOW START TO FUNDRAISING DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS, BUT WE MADE UP FOR IT!

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT THIS YEAR TO MAKE IT ALL HAPPEN

- Subsidised transport for activities and trips
- Tickets for all children to attend Snow White at Bristol Hippodrome
- Christmas Lights Trail
- Refreshments at Carols By Candlelight

- School Disco
- Quiz Night
- Table Top Sale at Village Hall
- Easter Egg Hunt and egg for each child
- Fixed clothes recycling bin to raise funds and recycle

- Funded a new bench for the school allotment
- Sponsored Dance-a-thon
- Paid for SuperPirates and Animal Encounters during School's Wellness Week

- School Family Camping at Cheddar
- Second-hand uniform sale
- Sports Day refreshments
- Summer Festival Disco
- Funding interior furnishings for new school library

HAPPY SUMMER HOLIDAYS!

Farrington Farm Shop

Our friends at the farm shop have kindly organised a FREE event for our children on the last day of term straight after school.

Please see the poster below for all the details. We're sure that all the children that attend will have lots of fun!

FARM PARK FARRINGTON'S

SCHOOL'S OUT FOR SUMMER!

JOIN US IN THE FARM PARK FOR AN END OF TERM PARTY FOR FARRINGTON GURNEY SCHOOL

PLAY EQUIPMENT
GRASS SLEDGES
SLIP AND SLIDE
ANIMALS
BBQ
SNACK SHACK

FREE SLUSHIE INCLUDED

USEFUL INFO
THURSDAY 21ST JULY
3.30PM - 6.00PM
RSVP by 20th July to:
events@farringtons.co.uk

All free of charge except food & drink. Children must be supervised by an adult please.



Mr Marvin's Thought of the Week



'God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God.'

(Ephesians 2:8)



Many people think that being a Christian is all about following the rules. In fact aren't all religions about following (or not following) rules?

From the outside, it can often seem like that. All religions have rules and guidelines that believers are expected to follow – the 5 pillars of Islam, the Hindu dharma, the Jewish Torah and Jesus' two greatest commandments.

But guess what...we all mess up. Even "religious" people get it wrong and make mistakes. We all know how difficult it is to follow all the rules all the time – unless you always drive below or at the speed limit and you've never taken 11 items to the 10 items and less till (do these even exist anymore!)

For Christians though it is different. Christians are people who are aware that they get it wrong, that they are not perfect and that they cannot sort things out on their own. They need each other, yes, but they also recognise that they follow Christ because they need him even more.

Christians believe that Jesus died on the cross and that he was punished in our place for all the wrong things we have done and still do. Because of this, Christians believe that they are saved by grace.

Grace is one of those wonderful words that we don't hear used much anymore. There are several meanings, but in the Bible it means 'the free and unmerited favour of God'. God chooses, because of the cross, to view us with love, favour and most importantly forgiveness.

Christians, like many of us, will try to do the right thing and follow the rules. This makes sense. That's why rules are there. If everyone followed the rules all the time, the world would be a much better and happier place. No one overtaking you dangerously on a bend, no one taking things that don't belong to them and no one trying to cut in when queuing (that is more to do with social etiquette than rules, but it still makes us mad!).

But here's the good news. For Christians they believe that God knows we will mess up and that we have messed up, which is why he died in our place. Although Christians, with God's help, will try and follow the rules, because of his grace, they can always receive God's forgiveness – it is a gift from God.

Ephesians 2:8-9



God saved you by His grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it.