



## Year 6 Residential

We look forward to welcoming back our Year 6s later today. They have truly represented our school values throughout their week in Torquay, conquering fears and worries, supporting each other, problem solving both individually and as a team and being continually respectful and polite to all their instructors. We couldn't be prouder of them and their achievements.



## Governors' Cup Winners

A huge well done to the winners of the Governor's Cup in the Easter Service today. Ivy in Year 1 was commended for her kindness and exemplary behaviour as well as her creativity and infectious enthusiasm. Charlotte in Year 3 was selected for her growing confidence in her work, as well as her engagement and responsibility in class.



## Dolphin Trip to Wake the Tiger

On Wednesday this week we had a very successful trip to Wake The Tiger in Bristol. The children had a really enjoyable time and were extremely well behaved all day.



## Wellness Day and Easter Egg Hunt

It has been a fun day across the school with children taking part in various activities including marshmallow and pasta towers, playing parachute games. Seal Class also thoroughly enjoyed their afternoon of being teachers! Thank you very much to Friends of Farrington for organising our Easter Egg Hunt at the end of the day.

## Seal Class Easter Experience

In a busy week for school trips, Seal Class have also been out to Bath Abbey for their Easter Experience. They were led round different stations experiencing the Holy Week and particularly enjoyed drawing on rocks to make Hope Stones and tasting the bread.

Finally, a fond farewell and best wishes to Freya in Turtle Class.

**Mrs Geeson and Mr Turull**





## Notices

- **Clubs** - All clubs start back on Monday 28th April. The allocation list was sent out on Wednesday and can also be found by clicking the link [here](#). We have another club to offer to our Reception, Year 1 & 2 as we can now extend the Movement, Dance & Yoga to them on a Thursday £40/10. Please contact the office.
- **Children's Eye Health** - we have sent the children home today with a helpful [eye health information sheet](#).
- **Covid Spring Booster Vaccination** - Top up your protection against COVID-19 by getting vaccinated this spring if you are eligible. Those at increased risk from severe illness can get a vaccination, including those aged 75 or over (on 17 June 2025), those aged 6 months to 74 years and have a weakened immune system because of a health condition or treatment or those who live in an older adult care home. \* There is a Covid-19 vaccination clinic for eligible children aged 5-17 in B&NES on 16 April 2025 10-4pm, Kempthorne House, St Martins Hospital, Kempthorne lane, Bath, BA2 5RP \* To book an appointment visit the National Booking System: [by clicking here](#). Information about eligibility can be found here: <https://www.nhs.uk/vaccinations/covid-19-vaccine/>
- **Dinners** - Pre order dinner options for next term must be placed by the deadline of midnight, Thursday 17th April. Please do this as soon as possible so it is not forgotten during your holiday fun.
- **Music for Schools Lessons** - will take place on 24/04, 08/05, 22/05, 05/06, 12/06, 19/06, 26/06, 03/07, 10/07.
- **St. John's Church** - Please see [here](#) the link to the weekly church events.

## Diary Dates

### April

Tue 22nd	Beginning of Term 5
Wed 23rd	First Swimming session for Years 1 and 2
Wed 23rd-Fri 25th	Years 3 and 5 Field to Food Trip
Mon 28th	Year 4 Residential Trip to Mendip Outdoor Centre
	Clubs start back this week
	Football Match at Norton Hill 3:45-5:00pm

### May

Fri 2nd	Celebration Assembly
Mon 5th	Bank Holiday
Tue 6th	Year 3 & 4 Gymnastic Competition (details to follow)

# Farrington Gurney Church of England Primary School

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

Newsletter 27 - April 4th 2025



## Friends of Farrington Gurney School and Community News

Every year the PTA organise a school family camp. This is not a fundraiser, just an opportunity for the kids to enjoy a weekend of freedom and fun in the great outdoors.

It would be great if you could join us. **All welcome!** The kids have an amazing time and it's a highlight of the year. We have made a group booking at Petruth Paddocks near Cheddar. It's a great campsite, very flat, and an easy stroll into Cheddar. There are fire pits available (who doesn't love roasting a marshmallow?!) And there are food vans (eg: pizza) on site Friday night and Saturday night and also a coffee/bacon butty van for the morning. So you don't need all the gear. Just somewhere to sleep and a sleeping bag!

The dates are Friday 6th June to Sunday 8th June 2025. You can come for one or two nights, or even as a day visitor. Their pitch availability and charges are all online - you simply need to go to <https://www.petruthpaddocks.co.uk/>, select the dates, and the rest is pretty straightforward. Please don't book via 3rd party sites such as Pitchup.

When making your booking:

- State our exact group name '**Farrington Gurney School**' in the Group name field.
- Select Pre-named family group from the drop-down. 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@petruthpaddocks.co.uk](mailto:webbiz@petruthpaddocks.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.

We look forward to seeing you there. Any questions just ask!

**Let's Dance!**  
Sat 5th April 10.30am HENLEAZE  
Thurs 10th April 10.30am FROME  
Sat 12th April 10.30am SOUTHVILLE  
Music for dancing from across the centuries performed on flute, cello and piano.  
Perfect for babies, toddlers and under 5's  
Tickets available online or on the door  
[www.musicforminiatures.co.uk](http://www.musicforminiatures.co.uk)

BATH FESTIVALS & PRESENT  
**MUSICAL DISCOVERY: INSTRUMENTS UP CLOSE!**  
STRINGS  
VIOLIN, VIOLA, CELLO  
(AND HAVE A GO AFTERWARDS!)  
2.30PM SAT 5TH APRIL  
ST SWITHIN'S CHURCH, BATH, BAT SVY  
Tickets available online or on the door  
[www.musicforminiatures.co.uk](http://www.musicforminiatures.co.uk)

mindfulmewithemma@hotmail.com'"/>

**MINDFUL CHILDREN**  
Holiday club  
Tuesday 8th April - 8.45am - 3.15pm  
St Vigor and St John Church School, Chilcompton  
Come and join us for a day of fun, mindful activities.  
Years: Reception - Year 6  
Price: £20 per child per day  
Discounts for multi bookings and siblings available  
30 spaces available  
To book a place please email Emma:  
[mindfulmewithemma@hotmail.com](mailto:mindfulmewithemma@hotmail.com)

https://www.sparkleandpopparties.co.uk/general-8', 'IF YOU REQUIRE ANY FURTHER INFO PLEASE CONTACT CATHERINE ON 07808 195 177'"/>

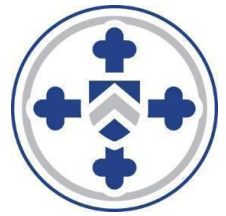
COME JOIN US FOR A DAY OF SINGING, DANCING & DRAMA!!  
MONDAY 7TH APRIL  
8.45AM - 3.15PM  
ST VIGOR & ST JOHN CHURCH SCHOOL  
AGES: YEARS RECEPTION - 6  
£20 PER CHILD PER DAY  
(SIBLING & MULTIDAY DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE)  
**MARY POPPINS**  
TO BOOK PLEASE FOLLOW LINK -  
<https://www.sparkleandpopparties.co.uk/general-8>  
IF YOU REQUIRE ANY FURTHER INFO PLEASE CONTACT CATHERINE ON 07808 195 177

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/family-river-safety-adventure', 'Meet at Kelson's Field (what3words ///human.line.former)', 'This event is led by The Bath River Line Team and Avon Fire & Rescue Service'"/>

**Family River Safety Adventure**  
16 April  
10:30am to 12  
Join us, and the Avon Fire & Rescue Service to master essential water survival skills (whilst staying firmly on land). Explore hidden dangers and learn how to stay safe by the river.  
It's an exciting opportunity to engage in family friendly activities and challenges, all set against the beautiful backdrop of the river.  
To reserve a spot through Eventbrite scan the QR code or visit the link <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/family-river-safety-adventure>  
Meet at Kelson's Field (what3words ///human.line.former)  
This event is led by The Bath River Line Team and Avon Fire & Rescue Service

TheNetballPerformanceAcademy@hotmail.com'"/>

**NETBALL TRAINING SESSIONS**  
U10'S (YEARS 4, 5 & 6) @ DOWNSIDE SCHOOL  
THURSDAYS, 6:00PM-7:00PM  
Run by pathway coach, Lisa Packer  
TASTER SESSIONS: 8TH & 15TH MAY  
SIGN UP NOW:  
[TheNetballPerformanceAcademy@hotmail.com](mailto:TheNetballPerformanceAcademy@hotmail.com)



## Thought for the Week - Behold the Man



***'So Jesus came out wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, "Behold the man!" When the chief priests and guards saw him, they shouted, "Crucify! Crucify!"' (John 19:5-6 EHV)***



Jesus...got up from the supper table, set aside his robe, and put on an apron. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the feet of the disciples, drying them with his apron.

***Ecce Homo, Behold the man!***

Jesus said, "I'm not including all of you in this..." The one who ate bread at my table will stab me in the back..." After he said these things, Jesus became visibly upset, and then

he told them why. "One of you is going to betray me."



***Ecce Homo, Behold the man!***



Taking along Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, he plunged into an agonizing sorrow. Then he said, "This sorrow is crushing my life out. Stay here and keep vigil with me." Going a little ahead, he fell on his face, praying, "My Father, if there is any way, get me out of this. But please,

not what I want. You, what do you want?"

***Ecce Homo, Behold the man!***



Judas led the way to the garden, and the Roman soldiers and police...followed. They arrived there with lanterns and torches and swords. Jesus, knowing by now everything that was imploding on him, went out and met them. He said, "Who are you after?" They answered, "Jesus the Nazarene." He said, "That's me." The soldiers recoiled, totally taken aback.

***Ecce Homo, Behold the man!***



Peter followed, but at a safe distance. In the middle of the courtyard some people had started a fire...One of the serving maids sitting at the fire noticed him..."This man was with him!" He denied it, "Woman, I don't even know him." A short time later, someone else noticed him and said, "You're one of them." But Peter denied it: "Man, I am not."...someone else spoke up, really adamant: "He's got to have been with him! He's got 'Galilean' written all over him." Peter said, "Man, I don't know what you're talking about..." Just then, the Master turned and looked at Peter...He went out and cried and cried and cried.

***Ecce Homo, Behold the man!***

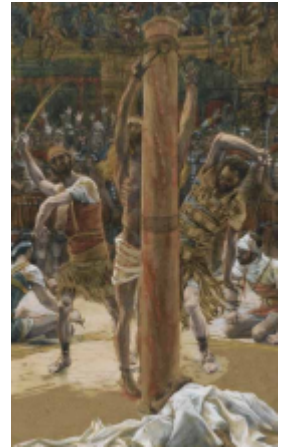


So Pilate took Jesus and had him whipped. The soldiers, having braided a crown from thorns, set it on his head, threw a purple robe over him, and approached him with, "Hail, King of the Jews!" Then they greeted him with slaps in the face.

***Ecce Homo, Behold the man!***

Pilate went outside again and said to them, "Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no basis for a charge against him." So Jesus came out wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, "Behold the man!" When the chief priests and guards saw him, they shouted, "Crucify! Crucify!"

***Ecce Homo, Behold the man!***



So they took Jesus away. Carrying his own cross, he went out to what is called the Place of a Skull,...Golgotha. There they crucified him with two others, one on each side, and Jesus in the middle.

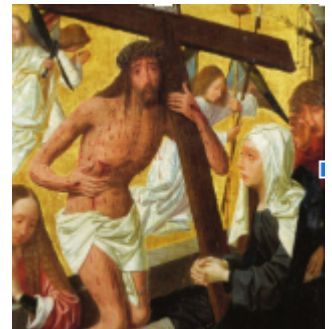
***Ecce Homo, Behold the man!***



When the soldiers crucified Jesus, they took his clothes and divided them into four parts, one part for each soldier. They also took his tunic, which was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom. So they said to one another, "Let's not tear it. Instead, let's cast lots to see who gets it."

***Ecce Homo, Behold the man!***

Joseph...of Arimathea...went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Taking him down, he wrapped him in a linen shroud and placed him in a tomb chiseled into the rock, a tomb never yet used. It was the day before Sabbath, the Sabbath just about to begin.



***Ecce Homo, Behold the man!***

But Mary stood outside facing the tomb, weeping...she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, though she did not know it was Jesus.

Jesus said..."Woman, why are you weeping?"...she replied, "Sir, if you carried him off, tell me where you laid him, and I will get him." Jesus said to her, "Mary." Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord!"

***Ecce Homo, Behold the man!***

