



Fairlands Middle School

Friday 14th June 2024
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Date	Who	Detail, Timing and Venue
Tuesday 18th June	Year 7 Pupils (7EA, 7ED & 7EE)	Geography Trip - Lulworth Cove
Thursday 20th June	Year 7 Pupils (7EB & 7EC)	Geography Trip - Lulworth Cove
Friday 28th June	All Parents/Carers	Pupil Summer Fayre Challenge, 2:30 - 3:30pm

Our Year 5s and the Year 5 team led by Mr Passingham were looking forward to a bit of sun this week as they headed out on residential to the Mendip Centre but the weather had other ideas! Luckily, they all still had a brilliant time and worked together in all the activities to have a fun filled experience. Well done to all the pupils for being fabulous representatives of Fairlands. My thanks, as always, to the members of the team who stayed with them in camp to support them across their stay.

I also had the pleasure of heading to Kings Academy this week with nine amazing students from Year 8 who were competing in the highly coveted annual 'Bake Off' competition against Hugh Sexey Middle School. The standard was so incredibly high, I was truly astounded by the final product each and every student across the competition achieved in an hour. The taste, as you can imagine, was sensational and I had a very enjoyable half an hour judging (gorging myself!) on amazing baked goods. A huge well done to all the Fairlands pupils but a special well done to Ruby who received the runner up prize.

Another well done to all our Fairlands pupils who performed at Wookey Hole Theatre in the Wells Ballet School and Somerset Dance Umbrella show last weekend. I thought you were spectacular!

Finally, we have had a push on smartness of uniform over the last two weeks that will continue this term and the pupils have really stepped up in taking pride in their appearance. Thank you for your support in this area, we really appreciate it.

A few reminders regarding dates - don't forget 28 June for the Summer Fayre; tutor groups are working secretly in earnest to create the very best stalls to win those all important house points. We will also be opening the gates on the afternoon of 02 July for parents and carers to watch the finals of Sports Day - times to follow. Fingers crossed for some sunshine on both day!

Have a wonderful weekend,
Jo Cowper

Farewell

Today we have said a fond farewell to Cathy Perry who has taught at Fairlands for an astounding 13 years. We wish Mrs Perry all the best in the next part of her journey and thank her for her dedication to Fairlands, its pupils and their families in her time with us.

Mrs Chew will be picking up the majority of Mrs Perry's timetable from next week

Useful Information

Further information can be found on our website: www.fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk
You can also keep informed via our Twitter feed @Fairlands482

Our values 'Caring and Inspirational' Safeguarding

Safeguarding children is everyone's responsibility. If you are worried about a child, please email

safeguarding@fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk

Designated Safeguarding Lead:
Paul Stephens

Wellbeing

If your child needs any help, advice or someone to talk to, please contact the school office. We have trained mental health first aiders that are here to help. 'You are human and it's ok to struggle.'

'It is important to look after yourself and mind.'

Reporting Absence

If your child is feeling unwell, please contact the school office on 01934 743186, or email using the school absence email address: -

absence@fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk

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Year 5 Residential Trip



This week Year 5 had their residential trip to Mendip Activity Centre. Here are a few photos of the various activities they have experienced during their visit. We look forward to sharing more next week.



Rounders Year 5 & 6



The Year 5 and Year 6 rounders teams had their first opportunity to play a match vs Hugh Sexey Middle School. Both teams learnt a lot from their games and vast improvements could be seen in both their ability and confidence from the start to the end of the matches.

The scores didn't go in our favour, but the pupils learnt a lot and left with smiles on their faces.

Player of the match - Year 5 Ru

Player of the match - Year 6 Croyde

Vicky Pople – Head of Faculty for Expressive Arts

Rounders Year 7



The Year 7 girls headed to The Blue School for a fantastic game of rounders.

The girls played a superb game, listening carefully to feedback and acting accordingly. There were some excellent rounders scored and some even better catches resulting in a convincing win.

Player of the match - Katherine

Vicky Pople – Head of Faculty for Expressive Arts

Year 8 Residential Trip



Year 8 spent a fantastic week experiencing different activities and adventures. The week started with two days out in Bristol visiting the new Bristol zoo, the M shed and an evening at the theatre watching the musical Hamilton.

First thing Wednesday morning we set off for Devon, arriving in time for a site tour and lunch. We spent the next three days taking part in activities organised by the centre. Wetsuits were donned for surfing, kayaking, stand up paddling boarding and the ultimate wipe-out obstacle course. The centre staff commented lots of times about the enthusiasm of our pupils and their willingness to have a go. The drier activities included high ropes, climbing, mountain boarding, archery, wide games and frisbee golf.

We all had a fantastic time and the staff loved having the opportunity to spend time getting to know students outside of the classroom, and seeing them excel. We were all very tired returning home to Cheddar on Friday evening, but know some great memories have been created.

Sally Virgin – Pastoral Leader Year 8 / Teacher of performing Arts

Pupil highlights from the trip:

“The paddle boarding and kayaking were fun and chaotic.”

“The day surfing and doing the coastal walk were lovely.”

“we loved the sweet shop and bought supplies for our midnight feasts.”

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Year 8 Leavers' Hoodies

The final deadline for orders is Friday 28th June.

To order please go directly to DQ Printing online, using the following link: <https://www.dqprinting.co.uk/product-page/fairlands-middle-school-leavers-hoodies-24>

Please select the 'Free Leavers' delivery option at the checkout.

Orders will be sent directly to school and handed out before the end of term. Any queries, please contact DQ Printing directly on 01278 284694, or info@dqprinting.co.uk

Year 8 Bake off Final



In the Spring term, Year 8 pupils from both Fairlands and Hugh Sexey created a baked item of their choice, in the hope of being chosen for the bake off final. All pupils produced tasty treats during their food lessons and the lucky 1st place pupils from each class were chosen to go to Kings for a Bake off Final.

On Thursday the 13th of June, Head teachers from all three schools attended and judged the excellent baking skills of the Year 8 pupils. First place was awarded to a pupil from Hugh Sexey and second place was awarded to Ruby from Fairlands baking a skittles cake. We are very proud of all pupils who took part in this exciting opportunity.

Kim Rowlinson – Teacher of DT & Tutor

PTA Update

- Thank you to everyone who contributed to the cake sale, all cakes were sold out and alongside those who donated towards the mufti day we raised just over £450.
- We have raised £35 via Easyfunding in the last 30 days! Easyfunding is a great opportunity for 'Easy Funding' for Fairlands Middle school, we hope to gain more supporters in the upcoming months.
- Big THANK YOU to Mrs Heard for gathering all the students fundraising ideas and wishes, this is extremely helpful for the PTA!
- If you would like to be a part of the growing PTA please email: FairlandsmiddleschoolPTA@gmail.com

Wrap Around Care from September

We are delighted to announce our new provider for wrap around care from September is Sports Masters Coaching.

Breakfast club will be open to pupils in Years 5 and 6 and will run from 7:45 – 8:45am each morning. Pupils will be able to buy a variety of breakfast items from the school canteen at a reasonable cost. This will be charged through ParentPay.

For Years 7 & 8, we are opening our hall for our pupils to come in and have breakfast and socialise with their friends before school starts. There will be an extensive breakfast menu, including beans on toast, bacon and sausage sandwiches, pastries, cereals and toast. This will also be charged through ParentPay. We will open the hall to pupils from 8:00 each morning.

The after-school provision will run from 15:35 through to 18:00 each afternoon, with a snack being provided to pupils who stay beyond 16.30.

The cost of the breakfast club is £4.50 per session, with the addition of breakfast (if your child chooses to have this) which will be charged through ParentPay. After school club prices start at £6.50 for a 16:30 collection, or £8.50 for collection up until 18:00.

Please use the following link to book your child in for wrap around care from September - <https://bookwhen.com/fairlandswac>

Fairlands Multisports and Crafting Camp



Sports Masters Coaching will be running a multisports and crafting camp at Fairlands, weekdays from 19th – 30th August (excluding bank holiday Monday).

The camp will be open from 8:30-3:30pm for children between the ages of 5 and 11. The cost of the camp is £20 per person, per day.

The team will provide a wide range of sports along with themed crafting activities.

To book please use the following link <https://bookwhen.com/fairlands-holiday-camp>

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Winscombe Youth Theatre – Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

Saturday 15th June, 1:30pm and 4:30pm, at Churchill Academy and Sixth Form.

Tickets available from The Creative Florist, Winscombe

Kings Academy – Expressive Arts Summer Show

Monday 17th June, from 7 – 9pm



Events and Services



SING TOGETHER!

Summer course, Weds 24th – Fri 26th July at Westlands Entertainment Venue

THE SPACE

THE SPACE is a charity which offers a free therapy service to children and young people who either live, or attend school in the Cheddar Valley.



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