



# Fairlands Middle School

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2024**  
**Issue no 35.**

Date	Who	Detail, Timing and Venue
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June</b>	All Parents/Carers	Pupil Summer Fayre Challenge, 2:30 - 3:30pm
<b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	All Parents/Carers	Sports Day Finals, Gates open 12:45
<b>Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July</b>	All Years	Transition Day
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 7 Parents/Carers	Woodlands Theme Park Payment due
<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 8 Parents/Carers and Pupils	Leavers Ceremony 6-8pm
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 7 Pupils	Woodlands Theme Park Trip

Finally! The sun has decided to join us for summer! It has been delightful to see the pupils sitting together in the sun at lunchtimes or kicking a football around enjoying the lovely weather. We have everything crossed the weather will hold for the Summer Fayre (28 June) and Sports Day (02 July), both of which you are cordially invited to. The pupils are working really hard on their respective stalls and the competition is heating up as we edge closer to House Championship Day. With nearly 50,000 house points up for grabs in these two events alone, any house could take the title of winning house.

Gates will be open for families to join us for the Summer Fayre from 2:30 onwards. Please remember, this is a money free event (apart from the ice cream van!) so you will receive tokens to spend at the stalls on arrival.

We are going all out on Sport's Day this year in a bid to hold a truly inclusive event. All pupils will be required to wear PE kit on Monday 01 July as we embark on traditional athletics events as well as Rounders tournaments to drum up as many house points as possible. On Tuesday 02 July, we are looking for all pupils to don house colours as we head outside together for the finals - including the much anticipated staff relay. We will be awarding house points for supporting your team and as such we are encouraging pupils to make house banners, flags, chants even cheerleader routines to win points. Pupils will be allowed to apply face paints for the afternoon and even wear wigs, but we do insist there is no hair dye applied. Races start at 1pm and the gates will be open from 12:45. We would love to see you there!

On a different note, we do find ourselves having increasing conversations with pupils who are making poor choices online and this then spills over into school. Could we ask you to support us in monitoring your child's social media exposure and remind you that the legal age to be on WhatsApp is 13. Your support with this is greatly appreciated.

Due to an issue in the local community, we have made the decision to close the 'inwards' gate after the buses from Kings have arrived in the afternoon. We will have someone on duty to let pupils and their bicycles out, but please don't be alarmed if the gates present as locked.

Finally, well done to all pupils who received a Presentation Ticket last week for their beautiful book work. It was an absolute joy to look through their work and celebrate their success. I look forward to seeing the next group today!

In the meantime, enjoy the sun and have a wonderful weekend.  
Jo Cowper

### Useful Information

Further information can be found on our website: [www.fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:absence@fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk)

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## School Uniform



We are delighted that we are now able to share details of the new uniform from September as a result of the school re-brand. Implementation will start with the new Year 5 pupils as part of a rolling programme.

There is no expectation that other years wear the new uniform, although they may wish to do so.



Uniform items can be purchased from Deane & Sons, Bath Street, Cheddar, as well as some items from local stockists. The new uniform will be available from Deane and Sons from mid/late July 2024. For further details, on sizing, pricing and stock availability please go to <https://www.deaneandsons.co.uk/c/21/Fairlands>

## Year 5 Residential



The Year 5 pupils have now returned from their residential visit to Mendip Activity Centre. Below are some of the comments from our Year 5's.

Ru 5.1 wrote, "It was absolutely incredible, 5-star food with brilliant instructors. Everyone enjoyed it, it's the best residential we've had"

Hector 5.3 Wrote, "The residential was great fun, we did abseiling, rock climbing, bush craft, low ropes and archery active. We got plenty of free time and a lot of time to sleep. There was even a firepit where we toasted marshmallows and told stories".

## Lulworth Cove



An enormous well done to our *AMAZING* Year 7 geographers who recently conquered not one, but two incredible trips to Lulworth Cove on the Jurassic Coast!

Pupils delved into the fascinating physical features of the area, including the majestic Stair Hole and the picturesque Lulworth Cove. They gained first-hand knowledge of coastal processes like erosion and deposition, witnessing how these forces have sculpted the dramatic coastline we see today.

But the learning didn't stop there! Our budding geographers put their investigative skills to the test by examining the impact of tourism on the local area. Through questionnaires, they gathered valuable data on how tourism both supports and challenges the Lulworth

community.

They were upstanding in their representation of Fairlands Middle School and I was proud to be leading both Tuesday and Thursday's excursions!

*Josh Hitt – Head of Faculty for Humanities*

## Year 8 Girls Rounders



It was fantastic weather to end the Year 8's rounders season.

The results may not have gone our way, but I could not have been prouder of the way the girls played. There were some fantastic catches, passes and backing up showing great progress from the start of the term. However, the biggest thing was their camaraderie and their sportsmanship.

A huge well done!

POM game 1 Olina

POM game 2 Hattie and Sophia

POM game 3 Hattie

*Vicky Pople – Head of Faculty for Expressive Arts*

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## Year 8 Sports Leaders



On Wednesday 19th June, ten Year 8 Sports Leaders were given the opportunity to represent Fairlands at Shipham First School's Sports Day.

They all attended in high spirits ready to help in any way they could, from providing the placement stickers, to holding the finish line. On collection, it was wonderful to hear Shipham staff announce 'a massive thank you to the Fairlands Year 8 sports leaders. They were amazing today and without them it would be very difficult to run the sports day'.

A huge well done to all that attended I am extremely proud of you.

*Vicky Pople – Head of Faculty for Expressive Arts*

## Presentation Friday

On Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June, we launched Presentation Friday! Throughout the week, pupils were selected by their class teacher who awarded them with a ticket to celebrate their beautiful work. They joined Jo Cowper in her office to showcase their work and chose an item from the 'lucky dip' box. Congratulations to the following pupils who received tickets last week.

Leo	Andy
Hugh	Jesse
Jess	Katie
Elin	Amy
Arlo	Charlie
Sophia	Amelie
Kyle	Alfie
Frankie	Stellan
Gemma	James
Kathryn	Kaleb
Rosie	Sam
Murray	Jessie
Shreyin	Bea
Mimi	Grace

## Donation Request

If you have any beanbags or cushions you are able to donate, these will be used for classroom reading corners. Thank you for your support!

## FPTA



Parents/Carers please join our PTA WhatsApp group by scanning the QR code.

The PTA have affiliated with Stikins, a name label company. Please use school code 7057 to order, 30% of the order total will go directly to our PTA. <https://www.stikins.co.uk/>

If you would like to be a part of the growing PTA please email: [FairlandsmiddleschoolPTA@gmail.com](mailto:FairlandsmiddleschoolPTA@gmail.com)

## Current Vacancies

Operations Manager – deadline for applications Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July

<https://wessexlearningtrust.co.uk/vacancies/operations-manager-2/>

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