



Date	Who	Detail, Timing and Venue
Wednesday 20 th November	All Parents/Carers welcome	PTA Meeting 6:30pm at Fairlands
Wednesday 27 th November	Matt Dickinson Author	Visit to KS2 Pupils

Year 8 Residential Trip

The deposit deadline for the year 8 residential trip is today, Friday 15th November. Please make payment via parent pay if your child would like a place. If you require further support please contact the office; office@fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk

A PowerPoint has been shared on class charts for those who were unable to attend the information evening.

Children in Need



Today, Friday 15th November, we are supporting Children in Need. Pupils were invited to wear something spotty for the occasion.

The total raised as of 3pm today is £341 on our just giving fundraiser, plus £27 in cash donations. Thank you for your support with this wonderful cause!

If you are in a position to donate please click the link below.
[Fairlands Middle School fundraiser for Children in Need](#)

Equipment Checks

Please can you ensure your child has the following items which are required for their learning. Black handwriting pens, Red pen, HB pencil, Eraser, Sharpener, Whiteboard pen, Glue Stick, Ruler and Safety Scissors.

Year 7 and 8 pupils require a scientific calculator

The school shop has the following items which are available to purchase at break and lunchtime. Below is the shop price list.

School Shop Prices	
Pencil	10p
Pencil sharpener	20p
Eraser	20p
Small ruler – 15cm	30p
Biro - red	20p
Handwriting Pen - black	40p
Scissors	50p
Glue stick	50p
Large ruler – 30cm	50p
Dry wipe marker	50p

M-Shed Visit

On Friday 8th November, our pupils had the chance to visit the M-Shed in Bristol to delve deeper into the transatlantic enslavement topic we have been covering this term. The museum's interactive workshops allowed pupils to explore historical artefacts and gain a first-hand understanding of Bristol's involvement in the slave trade.

To further enrich their learning, pupils embarked on guided walks through the city. They visited significant landmarks like the empty Edward Colston plinth and Pero's Bridge, reflecting on the city's complex history.

This immersive experience has empowered our pupils with a deeper understanding of this period and its lasting impact. By engaging with primary sources and historical sites, they have developed a critical perspective on the past and its relevance to the present. A big thank you to the M-Shed for accommodating us!

Josh Hitt – Head of Faculty for Humanities



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 Vision and Values 'Ambition, Belonging, Challenge'

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 report their absence using one of the following.

By phone 01934 743186,

On Class Charts, or email

absence@fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk

School Calendar

Fairlands Middle School
Masons Way, Cheddar
Somerset, BS27 3PG

Main Office: 01934 743186

Email:

office@fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk



Remembrance Day 2024



The community at Fairlands pulled together tremendously again this year to commemorate Remembrance Day 2024 with a series of poignant events.

Our School Council was honoured to host Marcus and Rosie, community members who served in the Royal Navy, who shared their personal experiences whilst in the line of duty and of remembrance. Their stories touched our hearts and deepened our understanding of the importance of our service people, and we are grateful they took the time to visit.

Our young scouts, guides, and brownies proudly participated in a parade, leading the way to our formal Remembrance Service conducted by Mrs. Bennett. The service was lifted even further by the masterful performance of our school brass band, who played a moving rendition of the Last

Post. In addition to our service in school, Andy and Jessie from year 8 accompanied Mrs Bennett to a trust wide service held at The Kings of Wessex school. They were invited to lay a wreath and read the names of the service personnel from Cheddar, who lost their lives in WW1.

We extend our sincere gratitude to all who contributed to these meaningful events. Your dedication and commitment helped us create a memorable and respectful tribute to those who have served.

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Anti-Bullying Week 2024 – Choose Respect



The theme of 'Choose Respect' has come about following consultation with teachers and pupils by the Anti-Bullying Alliance.

On Tuesday 12th November, we invited pupils to wear odd socks in to school to support this campaign. This is an annual event that encourages people to wear mismatched socks as a way of celebrating diversity and promoting inclusion. It is a symbolic gesture that serves as a reminder that being different is something to be proud of.

Please find a link to the organisations 'Parents and Carers Tool Kit' [here](#)



Year 8 Cooking Masterclass



On Tuesday 12th November several Year 8 pupils chose to stay after school to cook risotto in a cooking masterclass. They had a choice of squash and sage, bacon and mushroom, or mushroom. The pupils showed amazing skills and knowledge. The next day many commented on how much they had enjoyed the session and the risotto they had made.

Kim Rowlinson – Teacher of DT and Tutor

FPTA Fundraising Update

Our next FPTA meeting is at the school on Wednesday 20th November, at 6:30 pm.

Please come along and find out what we have planned for the rest of the year! We would love a few more organisers and volunteers. Just a few hours of your time will help us to plan bigger fundraising events next year. We are a small, friendly group wanting to raise money to support the school. Please come along to meet us. Everyone is welcome.

If you are in a position to join the PTA please email FairlandsMiddleSchoolFPTA@outlook.com or use the QR code to join.

- ❖ Bags2School collection Please bring in donations no later than Friday 29th November.
- ❖ STIKINS name labels - to date, your label purchases have raised £44.30 for the PTA. To order please go to www.stikins.co.uk and use school code 7057.



Music Lessons

These can be arranged directly with our instrumental staff.

Please contact Julia Holmes for clarinet or saxophone - juliaclarinet@gmail.com, Giles Hicks for drums – gileshicks@sky.com, Andy Frost for guitar - andyfrostband@gmail.com, Helen Brock for violin - helenbrock_hb@yahoo.co.uk

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