



Date	Who	Detail, Timing and Venue
Tuesday 22nd April	Whole School	School reopens to staff and pupils
Monday 28th April	Year 5 & Year 7	Parents Evening On site – More details to follow
Thursday 8th May	Year 5 & Year 7	Parents Evening Online – More details to follow

Message from Mrs Bennett

Dear Fairlands Families,

I am sitting at my desk with rather sore legs after joining in with the Morning mile challenge with our pupils and staff today. A huge thank you to Shane from Kings Fitness and Leisure, and of course to Mrs Pople for organising! Some of our children ran multiple laps clocking up some serious kilometres!!

I had the great pleasure of attending the Fairlands Musical Showcase, and the Easter Church visit this week. The standard of performance was excellent, and it was fantastic to see pupils from both The Kings of Wessex School, and Hugh Sexey's Middle School joining in music-making with us. A huge thank you to all our colleagues for supporting this wonderful event.

This week we say goodbye to Anne Brett from our teaching assistant team. Anne is going on to work in alternative provision. Congratulations to Aaron Evans from our premises team, who is joining the central team. We wish them all the best for the future.

Thank you to all the staff and students for making this school so special, and we look forward to seeing you after the Easter break.

Best Wishes
Rebecca Bennett
Headteacher

Fairlands Spring Showcase



On Wednesday night we held the Fairlands Spring Showcase in memory of Anne Higgs. We were delighted to welcome students from across the Wessex Learning Trust who showcased their talent and hard work in an event which captured the audience from start to finish. The evening started with the powerful sound of the brass ensemble filling the auditorium. Then we welcomed the Fairlands ukulele group and Helen Brock's string musicians to the stage. Their performances were a true testament to their hard work and passion for music. The first half was then drawn to a close by the fantastic guitar groups led by Andy Frost, who entertained up with harmonious crowd-pleasing soulful tunes.

Useful Information

Further information can be found on our website: www.fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk

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:
Rebecca Bennett

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



The second half was opened by Hannah Biddlecombe's singing group and soloists who showcased their vocal prowess drawing enthusiastic applause from the crowd. This was followed by the Fairlands School choir who demonstrated their impressive vocal control and unity. The evening was drawn to an impressive close by Giles Hick's drum soloist and group whose dynamic and energetic rhythm raised the roof.

World Book Day Writing Competition

As part of our World Book Day celebrations, we had a competition to write a short story, based on the idea 'It was a normal day on my way to school, when...'

The number of entries and the standard of stories submitted was extremely high, and it was very difficult to decide who the winners were. However, after much debate, the winning entries were Elin in Y6 and Croyde in Y7.

Huge congratulations to the winners, who received a £10 book token and 20 house points.



Year 8 Residential



A letter has been shared on Class Charts regarding the trip to Northern France. A huge thank you to everyone who supported the Year 8 French Residential trip by contributing to and purchasing treats at our recent bake sale! We are delighted to announce that the event was a tremendous success, with a fantastic array of delicious goodies enjoyed by all. Your generosity and enthusiasm have made a real difference to the fundraising efforts for this exciting educational visit. We are thrilled to announce that the bake sale raised a grand total of:

£167

This incredible amount will go a long way in helping our Year 8 students experience French culture first-hand. Thank you once again for your wonderful support!

WLT Translation Bee Competition – Round 2



Today 16 pupils across all 4 year groups attended round 2 of the Translation Bee Competition at Kings Academy. There were 60 competitors from 5 of the Trust schools taking part.

It was wonderful to see their enthusiasm and we were so proud of all the pupils - they all performed magnificently!

More news will follow soon regarding the Grand Final at Bath Spa University in the Summer term, but for now, we would like to say a huge well done to all! Félicitations!!

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Science Fair Success!



This year's **Science Fair Competition** was nothing short of incredible! On Monday, we welcomed a fantastic turnout of students, parents, and carers, all eager to witness the amazing projects on display. The level of work was outstanding, making it an incredibly tough task to decide the winners.

A huge **thank you** to everyone who participated and supported the event. Every student who took part will receive **50 house points**, while our runners-up will earn **200 house points**, and the winners will be awarded a whopping **500 house points** plus a **gift voucher** to spend as they please!

Well done to all, and we can't wait to see what you bring to next year's competition!

Martin Davis – Assistant Headteacher

Investigation

Winner – Jesse (Year 8)

Runner up – Isabelle and Jess (Year 6)

Engineering

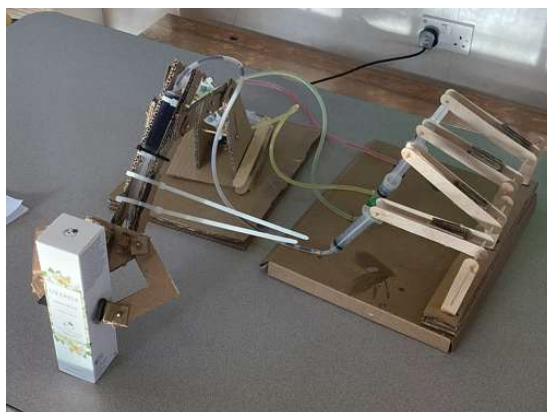
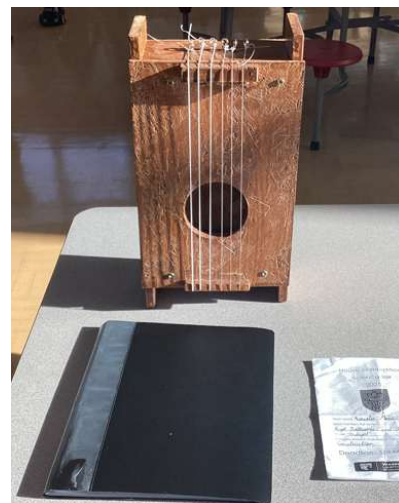
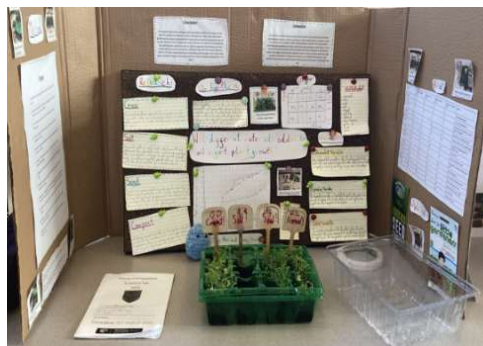
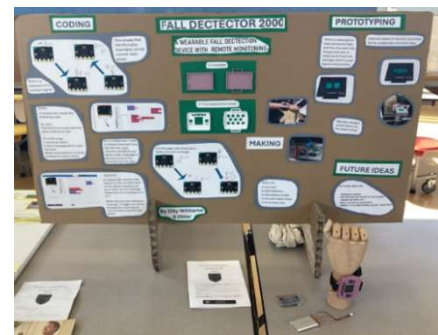
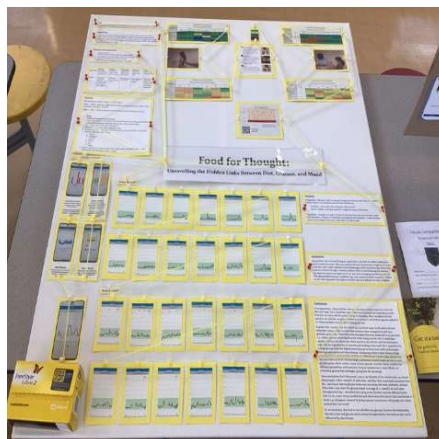
Winner – Oliver (Year 6)

Runner up – Edison (Year 5)

Model

Winner – Charlie (Year 8)

Runner up – Hugh and Theo (Year 6)



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Year 8 Netball Tournament



It was a glorious day for netball as our Year 8 team took to the court for a highly competitive tournament. With the sun shining and spirits high, our players showed incredible skill, determination, and teamwork against some very talented opposition. From the first whistle, it was clear that the standard of play across all schools was exceptionally high. Our shooters demonstrated outstanding accuracy under pressure, sinking some brilliant goals, while our defenders made fantastic interceptions, disrupting the flow of play and turning over possession at crucial moments. Despite our best efforts and some well-fought battles, we found ourselves up against some incredibly strong teams. However, the girls never gave up, showcasing resilience and sportsmanship throughout. Their hard work paid off, and we secured a **well-deserved 3rd place overall**.

A huge well done to all the players for their commitment and teamwork. A fantastic end to the season

Game 1 Fairlands v Oakfield 3-10 POM Jasmyrn

Game 2 Fairlands v Selwood 5-10 POM Katie

Game 3 Fairlands v Crispin 6-6 POM Amy

Year 7 Netball

With a fantastic attitude and a hunger for challenge, our Year 7 netball team made the bold decision to compete in the Year 8 tournament, testing themselves against older, more experienced players. From the very first whistle, they showed determination, grit, and a fearless approach to the game.

Despite facing tough opposition, the girls never gave up—they fought for every pass, chased down every ball, and played with incredible energy. Their teamwork, resilience, and positivity shone through, proving that they were more than ready for the challenge.

Though the results didn't go our way, the girls kept smiling throughout, showing true sportsmanship and a love for the game. More importantly, they gained valuable experience, learning from every match and proving to themselves just how much they can achieve.

A massive well done to the team for their hard work and determination—we are so proud of their attitude and effort! This experience will only make them stronger, and we can't wait to see what they do next!

Game 1 POM Liv

Game 2 POM Liv

Game 3 Nellie



Year 8 BCA Netball



Year 8 travelled to Bridgwater for a challenging fixture, and the first quarter highlighted their inexperience of playing indoors. The confusion over court markings and the impact of the heat were evident as they struggled to find their rhythm.

However, in the second quarter, the team showed great resilience, adapting quickly to the new environment and pulling back to level the score at 7-7. Unfortunately, despite their efforts, they were unable to maintain their momentum, and Bridgwater College Academy secured the win.

It was fantastic to see the team stepping up to the challenge of playing in a different setting and against a larger school. This experience will undoubtedly help them grow as players, and we look forward to seeing their continued progress.

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Headteachers Award

Year 5

Lily - amazing progress this term, especially in reading
Bethany - amazing progress this term, especially in reading
Benji – Excellent enthusiasm across all areas of the curriculum.
Darcy - determined to succeed and improve her work, even when she finds it hard.
Luella - Consistently works hard in all her subjects
Hamish - worked really hard on his final piece of English writing this term
Issy - for excellent perseverance

Year 6

Hector - for maintaining fantastic standards of presentation in all subjects.
Bella - writing an outstanding non-chron report on Brazil
Martha - for including all the language features in her report on the Brazilian rainforest
Daisy - for always being a kind friend
Frank - for having a positive attitude about his writing
Joseph - for showing resilience and determination when using his reasoning skills in maths

Year 7

Jake - excellent presentation in Maths. He has worked really hard on this
Henry- outstanding progress
James and Billy – amazing support
Toby – Superb improvement in Y7 test score – Great work over the last two terms
George - excellent improvement in his effort in History recently!

Year 8

Ophelia and Phoebe - for excellent effort and perseverance in English
Elijah – Superb improvement in Y8 test score – Great work over the last two terms
Jesse, Alys and Natalie - Consistently amazing work in French!
Summer and Noah - both for having the highest house point total for Humanities this term!

Year 6 Easter Garden Competition

The standard of the Year 6 Easter Garden was really high which made it really hard for Mrs Bennett to choose winning gardens! Well done and thank you to everyone who took part. Your creations were fantastic; we could see how much hard work and effort went into all of them.

1st place - Ru and Joseph
2nd place - Isla and Enya
3rd place - Darcy and Herbie
4th place - Matilda B and Zoe G



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THE SPACE WITH THE SPACE

<p>SATURDAY 5TH APRIL 2025</p> <p>CINEMA EVENING</p> <p>INSIDE OUT 2</p>	<p>🕒 6PM - 8PM</p> <p>📍 DRAYCOTT COMMUNITY HALL</p> <p>FREE</p>
<p>TUESDAY 8TH APRIL 2025</p> <p>COMMUNITY GARDEN</p> <p>BBQ & GAMES NIGHT</p>	<p>🕒 4PM - 8PM</p> <p>📍 PETRUTH PADDOCKS, BS27 3FS</p> <p>FREE BUT DONATIONS WELCOME</p>
<p>FRIDAY 11TH APRIL 2025</p> <p>YOUTH CLUB</p> <p>POOL PARTY</p>	<p>🕒 9.45AM - 11.30AM</p> <p>📍 KINGS FITNESS & LEISURE</p> <p>£5 PER CHILD</p>
<p>MONDAY 14TH APRIL 2025</p> <p>AEROBALL, CLIMBING</p> <p>WALL & TEAM GAMES</p>	<p>🕒 12.30PM - 2.30PM</p> <p>📍 CHEDDAR WOODS & SPA, BS27 3DB</p> <p>£10 PER CHILD</p>

TO BOOK: [HTTPS://WWW.HAPPITY.CO.UK/THE-SPACE-SOMERSET](https://www.happity.co.uk/the-space-somerset)
OR CONTACT VICTORIA FOR MORE DETAILS: VBOORMAN@THESPACESOMERSET.ORG.UK

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