



FARNDON NEWSFLASH

Dear Parents / Carers,

As we near the end of this academic year, it is fair to say I am bursting with pride with the pupils here in our school. As well as all their academic achievements, I have seen wonderful stand out performances in sport, music and the arts. They truly are a credit to our school. Each and every pupil has certainly earned their summer break! As too have all the staff; I would like to thank all those working in the school for all their hard work throughout the year.

Our Year 6 pupils have of course completed their SATs and received their results and as I said in the Leaver's Service, I believe they are well prepared for the next stage in their education at their respective High Schools. In their witty reflections of their time at Farndon, which was based around the TV programme the Traitors, the children showed how far they had come and how much their confidence has grown. I could not be more proud of what our pupils have achieved across the school. The Infant pupils have worked incredibly hard on their phonics knowledge and our Year 1 pupils have achieved the best results the school has ever had. And our Reception pupils' results are well above previous national averages. Also, our Year 2 children can be very proud of themselves with how they performed in their Key Stage 1 SATs – particularly in their maths.

This time of year is always bitter sweet. We look ahead to the summer, but we also have to say some goodbyes. We bid a fond farewell to Mrs Hartwell Jones, Mrs Cornforth, Miss Mellor, Mrs Green and Mrs Wyllor, who has already begun her maternity leave. We of course wish them all well in their future endeavours and I am sure you will all join me in thanking them for all what they have given as members of staff within our school.

Happy Summer holidays and I will see you all in September

Mr Walker – Headteacher

SPORTS UPDATE

My son, Daniel, had his work experience week at our school and I set him the task of preparing our pupils for the Deanery Athletics tournament at Tarporley High School.

We had a fantastic evening with countless wonderful performances that will last long in the memory.

There were gold medals in sprint for Lilly (Yr3), Enoch (Yr 4), Toby (Yr 5) and Mollie (Yr 5). Polly also won an impressive gold in the long distance. We were thrilled to win the Runners Up trophy,



GRAB YOUR DIARIES:

Tuesday 23rd July: Last day

Tuesday 23rd July: Yr 5 Strings concert

Wednesday 24th July: INSET Day

Monday 2nd Sept: INSET Day

Tuesday 3rd Sept: INSET Day

Wednesday 4th Sept: First day back for pupils

Friday 25th Oct: Break up for half term.

LONDON TRIP



Our Year 6 pupils had an incredible time on their residential to London. On the way there, they got to experience the Harry Potter studios, which is always a highlight.

Whilst in London, they found time to go on the London Eye, take a tour around London, a river Thames cruise and visited the Cutty Sark and the Tower of London.

A huge thank you to all the adults who planned the trip and went to London to help make some more long and lasting memories for our Year 6 children.

SAFETY OFFICER AWARDS

Joseph and Alaiya, with the support of Mrs Barnes, have worked hard throughout the whole year on helping everyone to keep safe. They produced videos, awarded citizen of the year, talked about bike safety and even found time to discuss water safety. We were all thrilled when the Local Authority once again awarded us the Runner Up spot - that's 3 first place and 2 runners up in the last 5 years!



THE INFANT OLYMPICS

The Infants celebrated the impending Olympics in Paris by holding their own. It all started with the opening ceremony and the passing of the torch. Then, in their House teams, they competed in 4 different events, which included the Olympic games rings, timeline of past events, an assault course and a spinner game with current events. No Olympics would be complete without a closing ceremony and the children practised and performed a dance to close the day.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

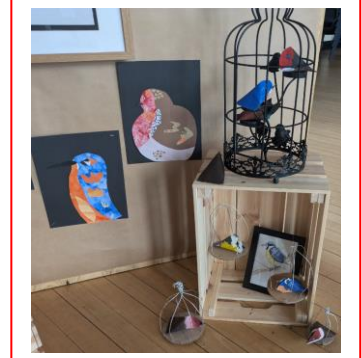
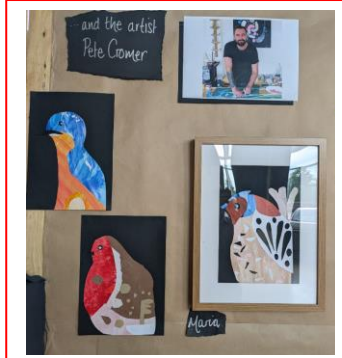
The new menus for September 2024 are now available on the school website.

Members of the school council met to decide which dishes made it onto the menu.

<http://www.farndon.cheshire.sch.uk/page/dinner-time/4281> We also hope that lots of those pupils who are moving into Year 3 continue to have school lunch. I should also point out to parents that the charge for a school dinner for next year has risen to £3.

THE HEBER ARTS FESTIVAL

Kingfishers worked so hard preparing their Pete Cromer inspired birds for this year's Heber Art celebration. They used screen printing, collage and painting to create their wonderful final pieces. They even found time to make miniature birds and wire cages. Mrs Wakefield and Miss Case did a marvellous job showcasing their work in the main hall.



SWIMMING POOL

I think it is fair to say that the children enjoyed their swimming sessions. With 45 minute sessions, most can swim 25m unaided.

GENERAL ELECTION AT FARNDON

To teach our pupils about Democracy within our country, we held our very own General Election. We had 4 parties: Tomorrow Party, Progress Party, Transform Party and Vision Party.

Each party had a leader and they began to canvas the opinions of children across the school.

They each then wrote their manifesto and shared them with the school via posters and the Leaders Debate in assembly.

They all did an amazing job with printed T-Shirts, stickers, glasses and other merchandise! All the children voted at the Ballot box and Sophia James was elected as PM of the school council.



RECEPTION AT CHIRK

As part of their topic on Castles, our youngest pupils got some first-hand learning in their History with a trip to Chirk castle. They enjoyed a tour of the grounds and even got to try on some armour!



