Parent Bulletin

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13th May 2024 Week A

All years: Each year in April or May I ask parents, students, governors and staff to complete our annual survey to collect feedback on how we are performing as a school. <u>Please click here</u> to complete this, before it closes on Monday 13th May.

All years - Give the Gift of Reading

Thank you so much for your generous donations to our new book fund for the school Library. If you would like to have a personalised sticker added to the books we buy with your donation. Please complete the form here.

All years - Book Fest at Fairford Festival

Fairford Festival are excited to announce this years BookFest best-selling author, Joanne Harris OBE, the writer of Chocolat, The Midnight Market, The Testament of Loki and many more. See the letters to parents section of the website for more information.

Years 7,8 & 9: A very exciting time ahead, our next Readathon launches on the 20th May! See the letters to parents section of the website for more details.

Year 8: Year 8 Parents Evening will be held online on the 9th and 14th of May. Students should be with you for the appointments. Any problems please email Laura Whiteman lwhiteman@farmors.gloucs.sch.uk <u>Book your appointment here.</u>

Year 9: Immunisations will take place on Wednesday 19th June.

Your son/daughter will have bought home a consent form this week for Year 9 vaccinations. Please complete and return the form to student services ASAP.

Year 9: The Year 9 Activity Day will be held in school on Wednesday 17th July. A fun filled day and fantastic opportunity to learn important new life skills. Please see the letters section of the website for more information.

Year 10: Design & Technology STEM day

Every year we organise a STEM activity with STEMworks for a 'Mission to Mars' challenge in collaboration with Lockheed Martin. The day involves working in teams to programme robots and build technical structures with a competition at the end of the day. The winning team then has the exciting opportunity to attend the July RIAT air show and compete against other schools. Student will need to attend in full school uniform. Please see the letters to parents section of website for more details.

Year 10 - Work Experience

The completed student placement forms are now with our insurance company being vetted. If you do not hear from me then you can assume that the placement has been successfully vetted and the placement will proceed as planned, you need do nothing more. There have been a couple of queries about start times but these should have been clarified when the students completed the placement forms so if you are in any doubt over timings or what to wear, please contact the placement directly in advance. Thanks, Mrs Mitchell.

Year 10: End of Year Reward Trip: We will be going to Thorpe Park on Thursday 18th July. The trip is now live on Parentpay.

School Vacancies:

We are recruiting for a number of associate staff roles, including part-time Finance assistant, Pastoral Administrator and Cover Supervisor. These can be tailored to suit your circumstances, and we would love to hear from you if you are interested in any of the positions, found at <u>Farmors Vacancies</u>. If you have any questions please email: recruitment@farmors.gloucs.sch.uk

Safeguarding:



Do check out all the support out there, as listed on the Mental Health Z Card. This is a Gloucestershire publication, but a lot of the agencies/charities are national and will apply to families living in Swindon, Wiltshire and Oxfordshire too. Details here.

National Crime Agency Advice on Sextortion

Financially motivated sexual extortion: an alert for education settings Globally there has been an increase in reports of children and young people being victims of financially motivated sexual extortion, often referred to in the media as 'sextortion'.

The National Crime Agency's CEOP Education have issued an alert to education settings across the UK in response to this threat. The alert will help professionals to:

- recognise and understand financially motivated sexual extortion
- raise awareness and help seeking behaviours amongst children and young people
- give suitable messaging and support to parents and carers
- support victims of financially motivated sexual extortion

The NCA have also shared a letter for parents which is attached here.

Letters to parents: <u>here</u>

- Calendar term dates and school day here
- Clubs and Activities poster summer term here
- Library Website Letter.
- Weekly Library Newsletter.
- Online Safety Newsletter
- National Crime Agency Advice on Sextortion
- Years 7, 8 & 9 Sponsored Readathon competition.
- All years Gloucestershire Learn to Row Course
- Year 9 Activity Day
- Year 10 Design & Technology STEM day
- Year 10 Silverstone Trip
- Year 11 Final Briefing