



## Parent Bulletin Week Commencing 13<sup>th</sup> November Week B

### Parent SEND surgeries

SEND surgery appointments can be made by copying and pasting this link: <https://calendly.com/etimms-senco30min/book>

### Notices:

- **All years Satchel One:** In addition to live rewards and behaviour data, your child's timetable, attendance and homework notifications are now available to parents from this week on Satchel One. If you have any queries about Satchel One, or would like help logging on, then please email us at [showmyhomework@farmors.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:showmyhomework@farmors.gloucs.sch.uk)
- **All years Library:** Over the summer we redecorated our Library and have bought some new books to extend our already wide range. The Library is open at break and lunchtimes for students to browse, borrow books and read. We also have a colouring competition at moment based on our new Library mascot who is a reading owl. Please do encourage your child to come and borrow some books.
- **All years: Cotswold District Council Half Term Holiday Activity and Food Programme.** The booking system (CABs) goes live on 4<sup>th</sup> December at 12 noon. [book here](#) Families can get support with bookings, transport or additional support from our Community Connectors at [accounts@bloodhoundeducation.com](mailto:accounts@bloodhoundeducation.com) or on the phone at: 0208 150 3767
- **All years Eco club:** Farmor's school were delighted to be awarded the 'eco-schools' green flag award earlier this year. This means that we have made progress in making the site more sustainable and environmentally aware. This has included creating new wildlife habitats and improving recycling. This month, eco-schools have launched 'cut your carbon' month for November to raise awareness of the need to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. We would like to invite all households attending Farmor's (staff and students) to take part. Please use the form on your child's Satchel One account to suggest ways in which you can cut carbon dioxide emissions.
- **All years Photography:** We are always on the lookout for any old cameras or camera equipment to use in school, or on display if no longer in use. Donations of cameras etc can be left for the attention of Jo Dawson at the school reception or brought into school via your son/daughter to A3. Many thanks Mrs J Dawson.
- **Years 9-13 careers fair:** Students spent time with employers and higher education providers earlier this week to find out more about potential future careers. The feedback from students about the experience was excellent. Many thanks to those in the community that came in to talk to students about career and employment pathways in their line of work.
- **Year 11 Mocks:** Y11 students were briefed about their upcoming GCSE mock exams this week. Please see below for the link to the parental letter which gives you all the information. The mocks run from Wednesday 13th to Wednesday 20th December inclusive.
- **Year 8 French trip:** Further to the letter of July 2023, there are still a few places left on this trip. Depending on the final number cost will be between £480 and £550 approx. If numbers remain insufficient we may sadly need to cancel the trip. All French students in Y8 this morning were shown the attached ppt. Please have a look. If you feel now that it is something you would like your child to do please contact me on [spike@farmors.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:spike@farmors.gloucs.sch.uk) so that we can your name to parent pay and you are able to pay the initial deposit to secure a place. I would be grateful if you can do this by Tuesday 14th November so the viability of the trip can be decided.
- **Year 7 new starters survey:** Now that your child has completed their first term at Farmor's School, it would be very useful for us to have your feedback on the transition process and how they have settled in. Please complete

this short [survey](#) before close of play Monday 13th November. Students will complete a similar survey in registrations this week.

### 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. [Click here.](#)

### Letters to parents: [here](#)

- **Year 11:** Mock exams.
- **Year 10.** Silverstone Trip.
- **Year 8:** Bletchley Park Trip.
- **Year 8:** French trip