



Welcome

Year 8 Parents' Information Evening

Mr Hogan



Agenda

- Introduction to the team.
- Changes
- Learning groups
- Key Focus areas for Year 8
- Homework
- Reading in Year 8
- Trips



Pastoral team for Year 8

Mrs A. Gudefin 8AG

Mrs J. Wood 8JTW

Mr L. Bramley 8LHB

Mr C. Broussine 8CJB

Mr P. Wileman 8PDW

Mrs V. Campbell 8VLC

Co-tutors: Mrs H. Moore and Dr G. Morieri

Mr R. Hogan

Miss D. O'Rourke

HOY

Student Manager for Y7-8



Reminders about communication:

- Please contact **student services** in the first instance, including for information about student absences
- You will usually receive a response from Miss O'Rourke (student manager)
- Emails may be forwarded on to tutor, subject teacher, HoD or HoY as needed

studentservices@farmors.gloucs.sch.uk



Changes to the School Day

Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri:

- Tutor Starts – 8.45am
- School Finishes – 3.25pm

Thursday

- Lessons Start – 8.45am
- School Finishes – 3.00pm



Learning Groups

Rationale

- **New opportunity to meet and work with different students.**
- **Fresh start in a new group.**
- **Avoid students getting 'comfortable' in their groups.**

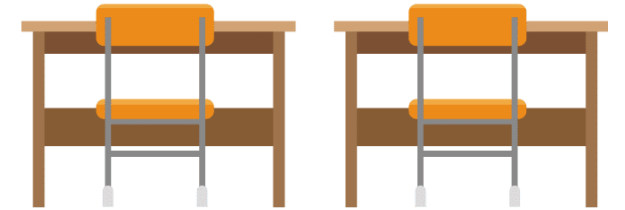




Key Focus for Year 8

- Attendance

8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	✗			✗		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
			✗			
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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29	30	31	1	2	3	4



- Behaviour






























- Engagement
 - HOS





Engagement - Clubs

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Beginners Tennis Years 7 & 8 Tennis Courts 	STEM Club Years 7 & 8 in S8 	Coding Club  Years 7,8 & 9 IT1	Origami  All years @ M3	Tennis  Year 7/8 girls Tennis Courts
Rounders  Year 10 girls Sports Hall field	Tennis  Year 9/10 boys Tennis Courts	Silent Book Club  All years Library	Debate Club  All years @ studio	Rounders  Years 9 girls Sports center field
D&D Club  All years Drama	Athletics  All years Main field	Rounders  Years 7/8 girls Sports center field	Trashion Club  Years 8 & 9 @ A3	Soft Ball  Year 9 boys Main field
Lions Art Club  All years Art Dep	Lego Club  All years M1	Cricket  Year 9/10 Boys & girls Main field	Cricket  Year 7/8 Boys & girls Main field	
	Coding club  Girls only All years IT1	Tennis  Year 7/8 boys Tennis Courts	Tennis  Year 9/10 girls Tennis Courts	
			Soft Ball  Year 10 boys Main field	
			Eco Club  All years @ Polytunnel Week A&B	
			Chess Club  M1	
<div> Homework Club - Every day in PH1 </div>				



Other important points:

- Uniform
- Equipment (including mini-whiteboards and pens)
- Punctuality
- Study habits and homework



Homework and Satchel One

Mode A homework

Examples: quizzes, spelling tests, make flash cards on key terms, write an essay plan, write a paragraph, questions.

Mode B homework

Examples: Watch a film, listen to a podcast, read a book, complete a virtual tour of a gallery/museum...



Changes to Satchel One

- Now limited to **homework only**
- Temporary until our new system is ready.





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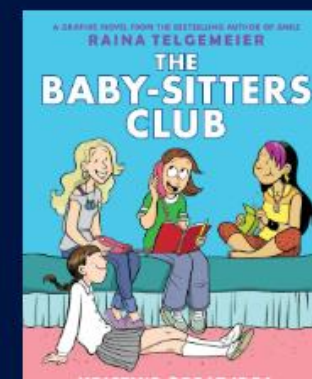
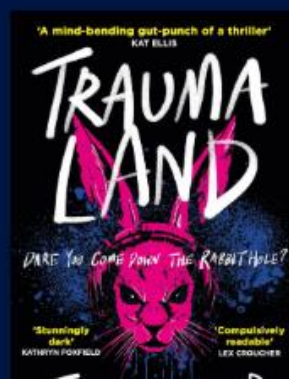
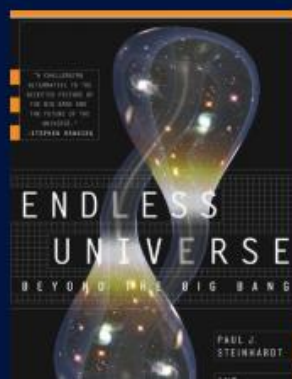
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Jane Austen Day
24 September

Back to School Readathon
Week commencing 28
September

Harry Potter Book Day Thursday
9th of October

Farmor's Reading Habits

I want to.....	To do this I will.....	
learn at least 2000 new words every year *	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• read the word, hear the word and say the word in a sentence to show my understanding• explore the etymology of new words	
read fluently in every subject	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• listen carefully when my teacher reads and follow along in the text with my ruler, pencil or finger• read out loud with expression if my teacher asks me to - this maybe in unison or in a pair	
be able to answer questions about the texts I read	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• look for clues in the text like pictures, headings, graphs and tables• highlight a few key words and ideas as I read• be aware that I read differently in different subjects and contexts	

*The number of words that students need to learn is exceedingly large; on average students should add 2,000 to 3,000 new words a year to their reading vocabularies (Beck, McKeown & Kucan, 2002).



Curriculum maps



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Websites you may find useful

Learning Scientists are cognitive scientists who have a really good website with downloadable materials on retrieval practice and other study techniques to improve learning.

<https://www.learningscientists.org/>

Pomodoro technique

<https://todoist.com/productivity-methods/pomodoro-technique>

Inner Drive have a useful section for parents on how to support your child at home with their learning. They have some great downloadable posters.

<https://www.innerdrive.co.uk/>

Seneca is a free revision website which covers all school subjects. There are sections for students and parents.

<https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/>



Year 8 Trips

	Trip	Teacher/Department	Dates	Est. Cost
Year 8	EmPowerCyber	Mrs H Bristow (Comp Sci)	14 th October	£20
	Stem Williams	Mrs H Bristow (Computer Sci)	November	Free
	Live theatre screenings	Mr T Newman (Drama)	Spring term	Free
	Oxford University Science	Dr G Morieri (Science)	10 th December	£25
	Bletchley Park	Mrs V Tucker (Mathematics)	20 th July	£35
	South Cerney Water Sports	Mr R Hogan (Head of Year)	22 nd July	£50



Parents' Evening

26th March 2026





Review of effort grades used in reports

We value your feedback as parents/guardians.

Please spend ~ 5 minutes of your time to complete our questionnaire via the QR code here:

To access the form,
you may need to open it in your web browser

Thank you,

Dr S. Bettington, Assistant Headteacher

