

Parent Bulletin for end of term



Notices:

- **All years:** Students' end of year progress and effort reports have now all been sent out via email.
- **All years:** A reminder from the PE department about kit from September, thanks in advance for supporting this:
 - All piercings must be removed for PE lessons. So **all new piercings must be done at the start of the holidays** (one stud or small sleeper in each ear lobe are allowed under the school rules)
 - Leggings are optional extras, so must be worn with skorts / shorts
 - Plain black or navy blackout leggings are an acceptable alternative to the [school leggings](#)
 - Nike Air Force 1, and other fashion trainers are not suitable for sports, they are too heavy and don't support the feet. Wearing them will result in a kit mark
 - Fitness tracker watches may be worn for some activities at the discretion of the teacher.
 - A 'Farmor's Hoodie' is mentioned as suitable for PE on the uniform list. Currently this is the only hoodie allowed in school as agreed with the school council. Students who have been on trips with a Farmor's hoodie can wear them for PE. The School Council will decide in September on a suitable alternative for those who have not been on a school trip.
- **All years, September:** Students going into years 7, 10, 12 will start the September term on **Tuesday 6th September** with an induction to their new Key Stage. Students in other year groups start back on Wednesday 7th September.
- **All years:** The tutor group list and rooms from September is attached to this bulletin.
- **All years:** The Cotswold District Council Holiday Activities and Food programme has their first event planned for 26th July between 1 -4pm in Cirencester at The Abbey Grounds. Each event will involve both activities and food provided by our lead partner World Jungle. Please take a look at the [website](#) for further details.
- **Key stage 3:** Into Nature CIC, a not-for-profit organisation, are based at Hailey Wood between Cirencester and Stroud. During the summer holidays, they offer sessions for families and children that might be of interest; some places are funded through the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme.
 - Wildcraft Adventures for ages 8 to 14 years (Minecraft-based woodland game)
 - Explorer Family sessions for families with children aged 18 months to 12 years
- **Year 9:** Your child will be starting their English Language and Literature GCSEs in September. The market is awash with study guides and revision booklets to support them, many of which are of dubious quality and for a range of different exam boards. This is just to let you know that the English Department buy in what we consider to be the best guides (Snap revision) at a heavily discounted price. These will be available to buy via Parentpay in September. We will also provide set texts and will notify you of the suggested donation in September. There is also no need for students to read the set texts in advance - they will be studying them over 2 years. It is much more important that they read widely and read things they are interested in at this time. If you have any questions in the meantime, please email me on ssimmonds@farmors.gloucs.sch.uk

Safeguarding:

School Nurse: the ChatHealth service is still operating; the number to text for support is: [07507 333 351](tel:07507333351).

The school nurse, Karen Croxson, will see students on an appointment basis; students (or parents) should contact the head of year to refer.

Well Being:

The NHS in Gloucestershire are delighted to launch On Your Mind Glos, a newly developed mental health website for children and young people aged up to 25. Hopefully, if you need this, it will help: [Here](#)

Mental Health

If there is anything that causes you concern about online safety, please check out this website for advice: [parent info](#) and if you have any safeguarding concerns please contact nsturla@farmors.gloucs.sch.uk

Covid-19:

Covid update letters sent directly via intouch, can be found [here](#).

Letters to parents: [here](#)

- Year 9 (going into year 10) Art Department
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