

Fairmead School Newsletter May 2024

Important Dates

May 2024

Friday 24	Last day of term
Monday 27	Summer Half term holiday

June 2024

Monday 3	Pupils return to school
Friday 28	INSET Day

July 2024

Wednesday 24	Last day of term
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Healthy Packed Lunch

As a school, we encourage our students to eat a balanced diet and drink plenty of water so they are fit and ready to learn.

Recently we have noticed that some lunch boxes brought into school contain a high number of sugary and high calorie content foods. Other lunch boxes contain chopped food 'roaming free' in lunch bags or large pieces of fruit which need to be chopped and prepared ready for students to eat (school staff are unable to prepare this fruit for the children).

To help with healthy lunchbox ideas please click on the following links:

NHS Better Health: <https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes/>

FOOD a fact of life:

<https://www.foodafactoflife.org.uk/whole-school/whole-school-approach/healthy-lunchboxes/>

Yeovil Town Football Club

On Friday 17th May, the Yeovil Town Football Club trophy came to Fairmead school as part of their tour to local schools. Everyone had a chance to have their photo taken with the trophy. Congratulations Yeovil Town!



WANTED: Second-Hand Uniform

Please remember we have a second-hand uniform shop for donations of good quality uniform which your young people have grown out of.

We currently have a low stock in primary aged uniform and if you are able to donate any items, we would appreciate them.



Half term soccer school



ALVINGTON
DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

28TH - 31ST MAY

TO BOOK:

[HTTPS://OFFICIALSOCCERSCHOOLS.CO.UK/YEOVILTOWN/](https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/yeoviltown/)

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KS3 Residential

This year, we were pleased to bring back our school residential for Key Stage 3 pupils, to Huish Woods Scout Camp, near Taunton. Pupils had the opportunity to enjoy activities, such as, wood craft, caving and orienteering, as well as making the most of the sunny weather and be in the great outdoors. It was wonderful to see pupils develop their skills for independence and work as team.

The trip was a great success, enjoyed by all pupils and staff alike. The Key Stage 3 staff would like to thank parents for supporting this trip, and look forward to running similar events in future years.



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News from the classrooms

Squirrel class



Squirrel Class continues to enjoy exploring Forest School every Monday afternoon and of course getting muddy or wet! Our stories this term have been Handa's Surprise and The Very Hungry Caterpillar, the children have had experimented with

different types of fruit and food from the stories. We have made fruit kebabs, smoothies, explored through smell, touch and taste. Squirrel class have had a focus on printing as our Art focus and love the printing with fruit and making caterpillars. The children are really like going to the big hall on a Friday morning for assembly and are excited when they receive a certificate for either reading or special mention. Well done Squirrel Class!



Otter class



Otter Class have loved learning all about space this half term! From making rockets to launching them in the playground! We have learnt all about the different planets and their features



and what life in space might be like!

Fox class



Fox Class have enjoyed learning about space in Science. They have used paint to print onto planets and carried out an experiment where they moulded planets out of bicarbonate of soda and watched them fizz in vinegar!

Badger class

Badger class have been learning about the solar system. They enjoyed making playdough models of the earth, moon and sun and finding out how the moon rotates around the earth and the earth rotates around the sun! They had great fun rotating around each other in order to understand this 😊. In Art we



experimented with different printing techniques and enjoyed using vegetables as printing tools. Badgers also designed and decorated helmets

after reading the book Amazing by Steve Antony.



3F

3F visited Mudford Rec for a hockey session with coach Liz as part of our learning on active lifestyles. We had



a great time learning how to dribble the ball, pass to a team mate and learnt how to tackle. We even had a go at shooting - with lots of success!

4R

We have been very busy in 4R. Our English has been focused on persuasive writing and recount writing. We have been completing work around our books 'Roll with it' and 'A different kind of Freedom: a Romani story.'

We had a lovely trip to Mudford Rec to play football with 4M and competing in a Bake Off competition. During Maths, we



have been practicing our measuring skills and made slime! During PE, we have been practicing our balancing skills and learning how to play



tennis. We are ready for Wimbledon! In our enterprise lessons, we ran a business called 'Jellec' which was made up of the first initials of our name and produced bookmarks to sell to staff.

They proved to be very popular. We have also completed some internal work experience painting the gates.

Sporting Events

Students from KS4 took part in a cricket competition on 15th May at Yeovil College. They did amazing and achieved gold. Excellent cricket skills portrayed from the whole team!



Well done to all of the students that have been involved in the football tournaments this season. We were placed third in the league table so an excellent achievement.



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Well done to the six KS3 students that represented Fairmead at a bowling competition on Wednesday 1st May. Lots of high scores and some spares from Isla! We all had a great time 😊



The next day it was time for KS4 and another six students represented the school. Some more amazing scores and first strike of the game to Skylah! We are super proud of you 🙌

On 13th March, 8 students from KS3 represented Fairmead at a table cricket competition at Richard Huish College in Taunton. They did incredibly well securing silver. This was as a result of their hard work during their lunchtime cricket club training last term with Sean from Somerset Cricket association.



On Friday 1st March, some students from 4R and 4M travelled to Polden Bower school in Bridgwater to take part in some different activities with students from



Polden Bower and organised by Bristol Bears. We did dancing, Boccia, dodgeball and finished with a silent disco. We had so much fun!



These KS4 students are enjoying their Thursday tennis lessons at Yeovil Tennis Club as part of their PE enrichment lessons.



Duke of Edinburgh Experience Day

Our Duke of Edinburgh day involved our Year 10's learning about first aid. We learned about calling for help, bites and stings and choking.

