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Farcet CofE Primary School Newsletter

Dear Farcet Families,

Firstly, a huge well done to all of the Year 6 children who are undertaking their SATS this week. They have shown great resilience and stamina since they started their Year 6 SATS booster classes with Miss Roberts in January 2025. All of the children have been attending the SATS booster sessions regularly and this has made a significant impact upon the excellent progress that they have all made. We wish them all the very best of luck with their SATS test this week. They deserve to do really well, since they have worked so hard.

Also, I would like to thank Miss Roberts (Deputy Head) for the dedication and care that she has shown towards the Year 6 children in helping them to prepare for the Year 6 SATS too.

The children showed a lot of respect and impeccable behaviour when remembering those who lost their lives and/or suffered great sadness during WWII. The children heard stories from members of staff about how their relatives had either served in the Armed Forces or had been children in WWII. The children heard amazing stories and gained a better understanding of how everyone in the UK in the past played a part in the Victory in Europe.

Have a lovely week.

Caroline Sadler (Headteacher)



Term 5

Week 4

12th May 2025

OUR SCHOOL VALUES

- Trust
- Friendship
- Compassion
- Forgiveness

Remembering VE Day

8th May 2025



On the 8th May 2025, the children remembered Victory in Europe Day (VE Day) by wearing red, white and blue.

During Collective Worship, Miss Sadler explained what VE Day meant and why we were remembering it eighty years on. Children in Year 5 & 6 were able to explain how WWII started and Miss Sadler explained how WWII ended in Europe. They also saw pictures of Winston Churchill and the Royal Family at the time who shared the victory with the nation. In addition, the children also learnt that whilst VE Day was a time of happiness since WWII in Europe had ended, it was also a time of reflection and sadness too, since many had lost their lives and war continued in SE Asia.

The children then heard stories from teachers and teaching assistants whose relatives played a role in WWII. Miss Sadler shared the story of her grandad who was a gunner for the Royal Artillery who defended the east coast of England and Derbyshire too. The children also heard about Miss Sadler's grandma who was living in SE London at the time and suffered terribly during the Blitz. The children also heard that Miss Sadler's grandma and grandad travelled to Trafalgar Square, London, on VE Day to celebrate with their new born baby.

Mrs Brown shared the story of her great aunt who lived in Hitchen, and worked in factories with lots of other young women during WWII. They used to make 'parts' for the war effort but they never were told what they were making. Rumour was that they were making parts for the war

planes. Mrs Brown also shared the story of her grandad who served in the Army in WWII and was stationed in Dunkirk, France and in Egypt too!

Mrs Bramley told the children the story of her great grandad. He grew up and lived in Pembrokeshire, Wales. He was in charge of land for a landowner and he was recruited to stay behind and monitor the farming and the production of crops as well as the dairy farmers to produce milk. He was also part of the Home Guard.

Mrs Absalom told the children a story about her grandad. He was a petty officer in the Royal Navy. He worked as a minesweeper. His Royal Navy boat was torpedoed by the Germans. He was very lucky to survive the torpedo strike. He had to swim under a burning sea to escape! The sea was burning due to the oil leaking and being on fire. He lost many of his friends.

Finally, Miss Roberts shared the story of her grandma who was a child during WWII. She lived in London but in 1940, when the Blitz started, she was evacuated to a house in the countryside. She did not get on well at her first home, so she was moved to another home in the countryside. She had a great time in her second home in the countryside. At the end of WWII, when she went back to London, she became pen pals with the family in the countryside that she was evacuated to. She remained close to them.

These are fascinating stories and help the children to remember that everyone in the UK contributed to the Victory in Europe.

The children also enjoyed a VE Day picnic lunch in the playground.



Supporting your child with stress during examinations.

Children can face pressure and feelings of stress during the exams, such as SATS or any school tests, which, as you know, can affect their wellbeing and performance.

It is very important to encourage children to work hard, but it is equally important to support them and their needs along the way.

The NHS have produce some really helpful tips for parents to support their children during what can be a stressful time for them. Please click on the link below to read advice as to how you can support your child/children. The link below covers areas such as: Establishing healthy routines, recognising signs of stress, and creating a supportive home environment.

NHS (2025) Help your child beat exam stress: [Help your child beat exam stress - NHS](#)





COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week, Earhart, Goodall and Luther-King classes have been learning about *The Four Noble Truths* during Collective Worship. This links to Wesak (Buddha Day).



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

On Friday 9th May, we celebrated all of the children who had their birthday over the Bank Holiday weekend or during the school week.



ATTENDANCE

Whole school attendance for week beginning 6th May: 95%



Earhart attendance: 92%

Goodall attendance: 96%

Luther-King attendance: 98%





Hawking attendance: 95%



Term 5

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

***Please note a few changes to the dates and some events below.**

Date	Event	
12.05.25	Year 6 SATS grammar, punctuation and spelling paper	
13.05.25	Year 6 SATS reading paper.	
14.05.25	Year 6 SATS maths papers 1&2	
15.05.25	Year 6 SATS maths paper 3	

26.05.25- 01.06.25	Half Term	
05.06.25	Year 5&6 swimming lessons begin	
11.06.25	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check	
18.06.25 (9-10am)	Father's Day Breakfast (More information to follow)	
30.06.25	Whole school trip to Whipsnade Zoo.	
4.07.25 Reserve 09.07.25	Sports Day	

23.7.25	Last Day of Term			
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