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## Farcet CofE Primary School Newsletter

Dear Farcet Families

The Easter bunny visited Earhart class during the Easter holidays and gave them a new writing shed, a new picnic bench and chalk boards. The children have thoroughly enjoyed being outside in the sunshine this week and making use of the new resources.

Thank you to the parents who have recently donated a mud kitchen and toys for our younger children to use. With school budgets very tight, we appreciate any donations. If you have any board games, children's books or Lego that you would be willing to donate, they would be gratefully received.

If you have a child in Year 1, please don't forget to join Mrs Masi at 2.50pm on the 29<sup>th</sup> April to find out more about the Phonics Screening Check.

Thank you for your on-going support and have a lovely weekend.

Caroline Sadler (Headteacher)



Term 5

Week 2

23rd April 2026

**OUR VISION:**

*Let your Light  
Shine*

**OUR SCHOOL  
VALUES**

**We are FARCET:**

**We are** *forgiving*  
**We are** *ambitious*  
**We are** *resilient*  
**We are**  
*compassionate*  
**We are** *equal*  
**We are** *together*

# Monster Mayhem

Mrs Wilson (Art Leader) arranged for some of Goodall class to part in a Young Writers challenge to create a drawing of their very own monster!

The children drew their drawings at home and annotated them with creative captions and adjectives.

Young Writers have written to us to say that they would like to include our fantastic drawings in their Monster Mayhem book to be published in June this year! We will receive one copy of the book to enjoy at school.

All the children who took part received a bookmark, sticker and a special certificate.

We are really proud of you!



# Change of Trust Name as of September 2026

The CEO of DEMAT, Adrian Ball, has written a letter to all parents and staff to advise of the new name for the Trust as of September 2026.



Dear Parent/Carer/Staff Member,

I hope that you have had an enjoyable Easter break and are looking forward to the Summer term and the excitement that it brings with Sports Days, the Art festival, Netball tournament, residentials, and transitions to the next year group.

The Trustees of DEMAT have been considering the longer-term ambitions of the Trust and how it can further support both our existing schools and those further afield who would benefit from closer working. We are in the midst of the pre-opening phase for our new secondary school, Alconbury Weald Church Academy, and want to build on the momentum this is generating to increase our capacity as a Trust.

DEMAT was originally established in March 2013 by the Diocese of Ely to provide a home for the church schools within the diocese whom needed to become an academy. As the education sector has matured so has the Trust and we are now much more proactive in supporting developments across the sector both within and beyond our diocesan boundaries. To support this expanded remit and potential growth beyond the Ely boundary, Trustees and Members have agreed to change the name of DEMAT in order to better represent how the Trust and its schools have evolved since 2013.

From September 2026, we will be known as Grace Schools and you will start to see the revised branding and name being used both internally and externally. Grace Schools represents our commitment to the founding principles established by the Diocese of Ely and the unique position we have supporting church schools. It also provides clarity between the distinctly different roles and responsibilities that the Trust has compared to the wider role of the Diocese.



For our existing schools, the name change will not directly impact the education our children receive but we anticipate that it will create more opportunities for staff development through the expanded reach of the Trust over time. Headteachers are currently working with children on a school logo design project seeking to identify an image that best represents their school and local community. These will then be created into a revised school logo to signify the next era of the Trust and its schools as the Grace Schools family. Over time, the revised school logos will be added to uniforms and signage around the schools but there will be no requirement for parents to purchase new uniform with the new branding.

I look forward, alongside the Headteachers, to unveiling the updated school logos in the second half of the Summer term.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adrian Ball".

Adrian Ball  
Chief Executive Officer



# Attendance



Attendance this week (20<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> April 2026) is  
95.7%

Well done to Goodall and Luther-King class this week-95.7% attendance.

## DEMAT Attendance Policy

DEMAT have introduced a new attendance policy to ensure all schools attendance in the Trust is 96%+, which is what we have been striving for this academic year.

The DEMAT attendance policy states the following:

<b>Tier 3: Early Intervention</b>	90% – 96%	<b>Barrier Removal</b>	Golden hour contact; "catch-up" work; family meetings to identify triggers; initiating Attendance Contracts.
<b>Tier 4: Intensive Support</b>	Below 90% (PA)	<b>Multi-Agency Action</b>	Formal attendance plans; collaboration with Local Authority; legal intervention if necessary.
<b>Tier 5: Specialist Support</b>	Below 50% (SA)	<b>Crisis Management</b>	Intensive case management; multi-disciplinary teams; potential for exceptional part-time timetables.



## St. Mary's Church, Farcet

The new vicar for St. Mary's Church, Farcet, Tom Simpson, will be joining us for our Collective Worship on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2026.

He will also have a tour of our school and meet the children too. We are looking forward welcoming Tom to our Farcet family soon.



On Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2026, we will also be having a Year 6 Leavers service at St. Mary's Church to wish them a successful future as they transition on to secondary school. Year 6 parents will also be invited to attend the church service too.



## Miss Roberts Update


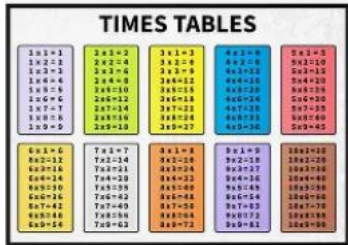

The children were delighted to find out that on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026, Miss Roberts gave birth to her gorgeous baby boy. Both Miss Roberts and baby are doing well.








# Farcet Cof E Primary School





## Summer 1 & 2 Dates for your diary

Date/Time	What?	
29.4.26	Phonics Meeting for Year 1 parents 2.50pm	
4.5.26	Bank Holiday	
11.5.26-14.5.26	Year 6 SATS tests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 11.05.26-Spelling and Grammar test</li> <li>• 12.05.26- Reading test</li> <li>• 13.05.26-Maths papers 1&amp;2</li> <li>• 14.05.26-Maths paper 3</li> </ul>
21.5.26	Whole School Trip to Grimsthorpe Castle	

22.5.26	Staff INSET No School for children	
25.5.26- 29.5.26	Half Term	
1.6.26-5.6.26	Year 4 times table testing week	
4.6.26	Year 5&6 swimming lessons begin	
8.6.26- 12.6.26	Yr1 Phonics Screening Week	
12.06.26	Class Photos	

19.6.26	Father's Day Picnic		
26.6.26	RE Enrichment Day		
29.6.26	Sports Day		
2.7.26	Reports sent home to parents		
3.7.26	Parent Council summer fete after school		



8.7.26	Year 6 Play: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe		
13.7.26	Year 6 Leavers Church Service with the whole school and Year 6 parents.  2-2.30pm		
15.7.26	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 2-3pm		
16.7.26	Year 6 Prom 5.30- 7pm.		
17.7.26	Last Day of Term	