



FOCUS ON FARRINGTONS

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I wanted to thank you for the wonderful support you gave to the Shoebox Appeal, and wanted to share the news that my husband has started his journey to drive to the Polish/Ukrainian border to deliver them.

He is driving a huge van, full of food, animal food, blankets, personal hygiene items, medical items and 55 beautiful, lovingly prepared shoeboxes, along with other items that were left over.

A team of girls from West House, David Jackson and his family, along with my husband, carefully packed the boxes to ensure each child receives toys, clothes, personal-care items, books, and pencils etc. It was a labour of love.

Each box was wrapped with coloured twine and the girls decided, spontaneously, to write WE LOVE YOU on the boxes.

It is a small gesture in the grand magnitude of what is happening, but I'm sure they will be received with pleasure.

I cannot thank you enough for your generosity.



Mrs Arnold
West House Boarding



The Stratford House Scholarship is an award for the Sixth Form. The successful student is one who has shown a sustained commitment to school life, demonstrates strength of character and promise for the future. The applicants complete a written paper explaining why they should be considered for the scholarship, and this is followed by an interview. This year we had a strong field of 17 students, all of whom spoke enthusiastically about their Farringtons' journey and their plans for the future. They were all a credit to the school and congratulations to Nicki Kardel for her outstanding application.

Julia Baillie
Chair of the Stratford House Award Panel and Staff Alumni

Tonga Day

Tonga Day was a huge success, with many students coming into school showing their support to the community of Tonga wearing the flag colours - red and white for a donation. These donations totalled £1235.00 and we are hugely grateful to all students for getting involved. The money is going directly to the community to help them to rebuild their amazing country back after the devastating consequences of a tsunami hit in January this year. During period 6, all students were taught an informative lesson about Tonga and were asked to sit a House quiz in what they learnt. Following this they then created some amazing traditional outfit designs based on the Tonga national dress. They really enjoyed the session and the designs produced were very creative and beautiful.

Heads of House





This term we have had a number of events and activities to inspire and guide our pupils. The introduction of our Careers Champions has meant that several of the initiatives have been pupil led. A review of this term's activities is being put together by the Champions, we are submitting this review to NCW and are hoping to be awarded the National Careers Week Gold Award.

During National Apprenticeship Week, pupils in Years 10-13 joined the virtual Big Assembly which was hosted live. This introduced the pupils to big companies that offer apprenticeships, and they had the opportunity to hear from young people currently completing apprenticeships. We also had visiting speaker Jasmine Ee, who gave pupils an insight into her Engineering Degree Apprenticeship. This was a great chance for pupils to see the varied apprenticeships available and how best to access these.

In National Careers Week, we had visiting speakers from five different industries; IT, Civil Service, Performing Arts, Finance and Sport. The volunteers delivered insightful talks detailing their own jobs as well as other roles available in the industries and how best to enter the industry. In addition, we worked with local company Grove Pension Solutions and parent volunteers to deliver most of our Year 12 mock interviews. These were gratefully received and gave the pupils great preparation for future job applications, with interviewers commenting on the varied outside interests and excellent interpersonal skills our pupils demonstrate. We hope to build upon the success of this week, next year.

There were many more activities too. The Year 12s attended the UCAS and Apprenticeship Fair in London and had the chance to find out more about the different courses available and how to apply for these. Year 10 Business BTEC pupils and KS3 Enterprise Club are entered into the Tycoon Enterprise Challenge and are developing experience in setting up their own businesses. Year 13 Business BTEC pupils went on work experience and received excellent feedback on their hard working and proactive attitudes. The Careers Champions have delivered assemblies to their peers on how to access Labour Market Information and the importance of researching different career options.

It has been a fantastic term with lots going on and much more to come next term.

Mrs Miah, Head of Careers



World Book Day



World Book Day Competition Winners



Pre-Reception
Santino



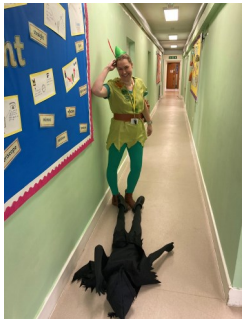
Reception
Kit



Year 1
Heidi



Year 2
Niamh



Year 3
Jude



Year 4
Zara



Year 5
Sam



Year 6
Matilda



Baptism Role Play

In our Religious studies we are learning about Christian baptism. Today we visited the Chapel and the Chaplain baptised Ivy-Rose and Julie. We looked at the baptism book which showed entries from 1963. The parents were presented with a candle and a certificate.

Mrs Brookman

Confirmation 2022

In January we held an Information evening for anyone interested in our Confirmation classes. We had a good response and so began our classes every Thursday afternoon after school in the Library.

The kitchen supplied us with the best hot chocolate and biscuits each week and before we knew it, our nine weeks of preparation were over. We looked at many interesting topics like "Making sense of the Bible" and "How can I resist evil?" We lost a few participants along the way because some Year groups needed to be in "bubbles", but we hope to pick up these students in our next round of Confirmation classes.

It has been such a joy to be part of Matilda, Oliver and Joseph's journey of faith. The service was held on Sunday 20th March and we gave our students a warm welcome into full membership of the Christian Church.

Reverend Janet Verrier, School Chaplain



Year 1 enjoyed a fantastic trip to the British Wildlife Centre in Lingfield, Surrey.



Congratulations to Wilson House for winning the Inter-house University Challenge Cup.



Year 6 are had a wonderful time participating in a Shakespeare Workshop led by 'Play On!' We have many budding thespians!



During Forrest School, Year 2 pupils built their own shelter using tarpaulins and string. The next generation of wildlife explorers!



Southern Reach, was an amazing story told by Al Sylvester MBE who visited Farringtons and spoke about his adventures to a group of our Highly Able Gifted and Talented students last week.

It was the most moving and inspiring talk about how he lead the RAF's first unsupported attempt on the Geographic South Pole. Al described how he selected and trained his team to survive in tents on Antarctica, while skiing unsupported the 600 nautical miles to the bottom of the earth. A heart on sleeve personal account of the day to day living on the ice, including living on dried food, learning new toilet drills, to skiing in temperatures of -45 degrees, left us with no doubt that Antarctica is one of the most beautiful but most hostile locations in the world.

The key message was mental resilience and determination in the face of uncertainty. All students sat completely gripped listening to the talk and all commented on how 'inspiring' and 'amazing' the talk was.

Mrs Ashworth

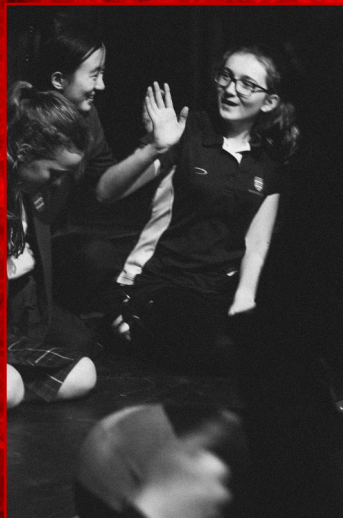
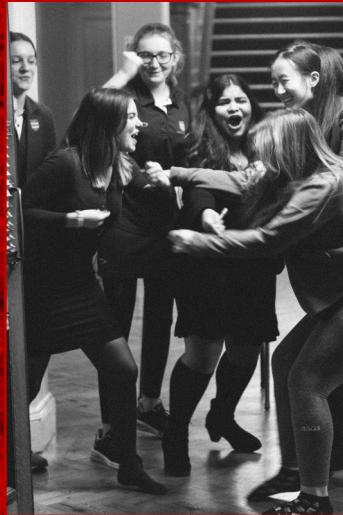


Senior School Inter-house Pancake Flipping contest.

SWEENEY TODD

Working with the cast and crew of Sweeney Todd has definitely been the highlight of this year for me. I made so many new friends and formed close bonds with everyone. Despite having to learn many, many lines and being bubbled for nearly a month, I immensely enjoyed the role of the Beadle and would like to thank all the teachers and everyone else who gave their time to help make this show the huge success that it was.

Sanujana, Year 7



THE DEMON BARBER OF FLEET STREET

Imaginative Paintings

Last month, Year 12 girls went to the Creative Arts Block under the leadership of Head of Year, and each of us was assigned to an oil painting board. The purpose of this activity was to let all of Year 12 use their imagination to complete a work to be hung in the Sixth Form Common Room to make it more colourful.



The Farringtons Feminist Society

It's great to be part of a society that allows for discussions over current events with reference to equality and emphasis on gender equality. Recently, we created materials for some display boards surrounding the feminism movement and key people involved with it. We also presented a Chapel Assembly on the importance of feminism and incorporated the opinions and definitions of feminism from a range of students from different year groups as well as teachers.

Thank you to Shivani, Sanchana, Joseph, Matilda, Gemma, Helen and Isabella for all working together. I'm really happy to play a role in raising awareness of the movement, correcting misconceptions and standing for my beliefs.

Lauren Holliday, Year 12

ESU London Finals



Fifteenth March 2022 – C-Day! The day of the ESU Churchill Public Speaking Competition London Finals and our Year 9 team were all set for a great performance. Imogen (Speaker), Ryan (Questioner) and Ioana (Chair) had impressed the judges on two separate occasions to get through to this regional competition and were well rehearsed. This is a challenging event, with teams from all over London and Farringtons team was the youngest team – an impressive achievement. I was very proud of the performance of all three, and with speeches on many interesting and diverse topics it was a night to remember. Imogen was word perfect and her speech musing over whether Science is more stimulating to the imagination than the Classics was well received. Ioana and Ryan, professional in their roles as usual, also performed with aplomb. Well done everyone and a huge thank you to Sanchana and Mrs Vail for supporting the team so generously.

Mrs Denman



Year 8 girls delivered part of an assembly on the theme of International Women's Day. As a school with a proud tradition of educating girls, they spoke beautifully in support of gender equality.



What a glorious day for our Cross Country Challenge! Great fun was had by all. Many thanks to the schools who joined us for this wonderful event!

FLOREAT



Year 9 Pupils enjoyed another Floreat session with Harriet Adkin Art for a mindfulness plant drawing session.



The Year 10 Floreat Spring group did really well rolling and displaying their sushi (makizushi -- filled rolls).



The Year 7 Floreat Group making and distributing bird feeders throughout the grounds.



Maths Challenge

Intermediate Maths Challenge results are in: 18 Bronze certificates, 2 Silver certificates and 1 Gold certificate. A very special mention to Sofia in Year 10 who not only received the Gold certificate, but has also been invited to participate in the follow-on round. Well done to all!

Bronze Awards:

Kieran Gallagher
 Joshua Blake
 Liam Jenkins
 Kathryn Moy
 Stacey Ku
 Chloe Gardener
 Amy Roberts
 Aristotelis Konstantinidis
 Victor Cardon
 Priya Pillay
 George Tate
 Isabelle Rehm
 Timofey Chuykov
 Rianna Reeve
 Tami Ekunola
 Heather Beet
 Jiawen Dong

Best in Year:

Matteo Reborra

Silver Awards:

Olivia Hobbs

Best in Year:

Jack Purchase

Gold award & Best in Year:

Sofia Wilson



Lovely origami butterflies and birds created by the Year 10 Floreat Japanese students.



Easter themed Lego creation from Year 7 Floreat.

Show Racism the Red Card Competition



Prize Winners:

Year 10 Artwork
Jude Dobson

Year 10 Artwork & Creative Writing & Public Vote
Leo Spandzev

Year 9 Artwork
Lucy Foord

Year 8 Artwork
Beatrice Maddern

Year 7—9 Artwork
Matteo Rebora

Year 7 T-shirt Design
Jack Maartens

All ages Film
Yash Jha

Year 6 T-shirt Design
Ava White

Year 6 Artwork
Chloe Shin

Year 6 Creative Writing
Isla Jackson

UCAS Trip

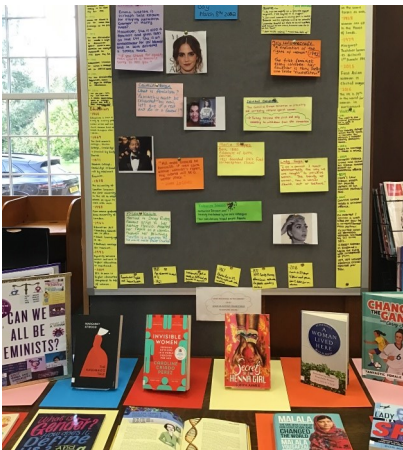
The UCAS trip was a day that involved the Year 12 getting together and heading to The Edexcel Centre, London, where we would be looking into the next step of our education, university!

The day primarily consisted of us going from booth to booth gaining invaluable information regarding different universities and apprenticeships, all there to discuss the courses they offer, personally I really valued the opportunity to ask any and all questions we had regarding our tertiary education. For instance, what moving away from home entails and collecting the different prospectuses they offered, although admittedly some of the girls certainly took it upon themselves to seize the opportunity and acquire as many tote bags as they could!



Overall I think we all found the day to be incredibly beneficial and gave us all much to think about providing focus for some and broadened others horizons.

Lewis Bonnici, Year 12



It has been a busy time for the library with discussions on Feminism, a talk on Supporting Women in Sport, clubs for Chess and Crochet, Mindfulness colouring and Classic reading, Manga and Origami clubs. Many clubs are student led and reflect their interests. All library activities are well supported by our library volunteers.

Currently students are having fun collecting Easter 'eggs' for every book review written.

Mrs Hanks, School Librarian

Miam Miam!

Year 7 students have been learning about food and mealtimes in French recently and as a homework task were set the challenge of following a French recipe and producing a perfect croque-monsieur!

They all looked delicious and decidedly mouth-watering - I am sure there were only a few crumbs left!

A big thank you to all the parents who helped with the task (and the clearing up). I have attached the recipe so if you feel like practising your school French and making these, please feel free.

Bob appétit!

Ms Jackson, Head of Sixth Form



Un Croque-Monsieur simple

Pour deux personnes:

- quatre tranches de pain
- quatre tranches de jambon
- du fromage râpé

Pour la sauce :

- 20 g de beurre
- 20 g de farine
- 15cl de lait
- Sel et poivre



Ajouter = add
Déposer = place
Napper = spread
Mélanger au fouet = whisk

- 1 Préchauffer le four à 180° C
- 2 Dans une casserole faire fondre le beurre
- 3 Ajouter la farine et mélanger au fouet
- 4 Ajouter le lait petit à petit
- 5 Ajouter le sel et le poivre
- 6 Sur une plaque de cuisson, déposer deux tranches de pain

- 7 Napper avec 50% de la sauce
- 8 Ajouter 50% du fromage râpé
- 9 Ajouter le jambon
- 10 Ajouter une autre tranche de pain
- 11 Ajouter le reste de la sauce et le reste du fromage
- 12 Placer au four pour 20 minutes



Women in Leadership

On Thursday 31st March a number of the Year 12 and 13 girls took part in a "Women in Leadership" panel event, with three truly inspiring women leaders. The event aimed to help young women to develop the literacy skills, leadership abilities and the confidence they need to achieve their potential. These women are successful in a range of careers, from Engineering to Politics to Publishing, and all had different backgrounds and stories to tell. They shared their advice with us and gave us insight into how they had advanced their careers. We had the opportunity to put our questions forward and had some inspiring responses, many of which we really took heart from, including:

- "nothing grows in your comfort zone"
- "be your own cheerleader" and
- "don't be defensive, ask for feedback and learn from it"

We learnt that it is OK to be nervous, to question yourself and sometimes we all feel intimidated. The key things are to be prepared, to have a go and not be afraid of asking questions.

I very much hope that the event inspired our young women to be more confident and to have more self-belief.

Thank you to all the girls and women involved!

Ms Jackson



The Digital Media students were lucky enough to have virtual seminar with a compliance officer at the BBFC (British Board of Film Classification). Discussion involved regulation of films, censorship, classification today, important, and controversial decisions surrounding recent films.

Year 4 Production



Year 4 had a wonderful two nights performing their production of The Rocky Monster Show in front of teachers, pupils, family and friends. There was singing, dancing and acting in abundance! The show had a 60s feel and the audience found itself tapping their feet to the many great songs. It was a fantastic culmination of three months of hard work. Well done Year 4!

Mrs Alexander



Sports Awards Evening 2022

What a fantastic evening celebrating the talents, achievements and contributions of our young sports men and women.

A formal dinner but with plenty of opportunity for fun and games including awards for 'Getting Stuck In' and 'Worst Minibus Music'.

The winners of the formal awards were:

Service to Netball
Priya Pillay

Most Valuable Netball Player
Ciara O'Neill

Service to Basketball
Zachary Cheshmejouei-Walford

Most Valuable Basketball Player
Isaac Lambert

Service to Girls Football
Nicki Kardel

Most Valuable Girls Football Player
Anya Bharaj

Service to Boys Football
Josh Adedapo

Most Valuable Boys Football Player
1st XI - Josh Adedapo
2nd XI - Isaac Lambert

Senior Sports Person of the Year Award
Nicki Kardel

Team of the Year Award
U16 Girls Football

Neena Muzawazi
Nicki Kardel
Ciara O'Neil
Ruby Skinner
Anya Bharaj
Amelie Greatorex
Sufiya Hossain
Alexandra Griffin
Phoebe Jackson



Year 6 Residential Trip

What a spectacular week it has been for our Year 6 pupils! The residential trip to the Isle of Wight has provided a space for personal development and strengthening the skills of independence and problem solving. Proud of you all!

Mr Boyjoonauth, Head of Junior School



Farringtons in the Community

Congratulations to Isabel in Year 9 who was selected to represent Bromley SC in the National Arena League Cup Final on Sunday 6th March 2022.

Bromley SC came 6th in the country behind swimming school giants Mount Kelly, Millfield and Plymouth Leader

This is a huge achievement as Bromley SC does not have their own pool or the facilities that other swimming clubs have.



Congratulations to Sofia for winning a Silver Crest Award for her very successful presentation and project report on the palm oil predicament.



Year 5 girls getting ready for their Silly Socks Netball Tournament.



Years 4 and 5 took part in an interactive exploration of ancient Egypt run by Freshwater Theatre. They met a range of characters from a stone mason to the Pharaoh Tutankhamun. True immersive learning!



Reception class used the sun to create images on special paper. They talked about shadows and used different items to lay on paper. The sun created an outline of the objects.



As part of Science Week, Mrs Hurst was explaining to children about the process of dissolving.



Lots of wonderful entries for our Junior School Science Competition.

Congratulations to Year 11 pupils Freddie, Ryan B, Josh, Tommy, Ryan C, George, Ned, Charlie, Elliott, Archie, Eddie, Joel and Ethan after a superb performance to reach the Southern Area final of the Society of Heads Cup with a 4-2 against Box Hill School.

An outstanding performance from Josh Blake with several goals. Also notably a very mature and commanding performance from Tommy Brown and a Man of the Match performance from Elliott Small!



Children in Forest School learnt about fire safety. They cooked marshmallows and made tasty treats! They also used their senses and could predict what would happen when the fire was extinguished.



Reception children enjoyed a visit from the Easter Bunny!

Very proud that our girls took part in the national [#LetGirlsPlay](#) football event. The girls had great fun and there was a real buzz in the air.

Mr Boyjoonauth, Head of Junior School



Reception class have been studying people who help us. Look at who visited us today?! Thank you to the London Fire Brigade for protecting our community.

