



Welcome to Ashley and Freddie!

Building Bridges

Summer trip season began with a bridge building experience for Forms IV to VII at the Catalyst Museum. They started with a bridge building workshop, supported by the Institution of Civil Engineers and inspired by the new Mersey Gateway Bridge which can be seen from the windows of Catalyst. Pupils found out about Cable-Stayed Bridges, took on the roles of engineers and worked as a team to construct their very own 13m cable stayed bridge.

Pupils then were able to investigate science and technology with hands-on exhibits - filming in the TV studio, testing the scarf shooter, making a marble run . . . all in the interactive gallery. Children were then able to investigate the development of the Chemical Industry from ancient times up to the 1940s with the aid of fascinating historical objects and life like reconstructions, bringing the past vividly to life.

Finally, pupils visited the glass walled, roof-top gallery with panoramic views of bridges, old and new, and then had some relaxation time in the playground!



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Farewell, Form VII!

The bittersweet time has come again to bid farewell to our talented Form VII pupils. Whilst their presence around school will be greatly missed, we are immensely proud of all of their academic, sports and drama success throughout their school years, and confident that they are prepared to excel in their next stage of education.

Good luck, Ryan and Jesse!



Special points of interest:

- Enjoy news and photos from all of our Coronation Events – Page 2
- Enjoy all the pictures from our End of Year Celebration—'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat', page 3
- What was the Big Surprise at KG Teddy Bears' Picnic? Read more on page 5
- Read about the success of our music and drama pupils in the latest edition of Music Matters – page 4

Coronation Events Week

Coronation Sports Day



Once again, children battled it out on the running track with running races, hurdles, cone races and the special 2023 Coronation Obstacle Course. The children's best high jumps were demonstrated at the sports pitch and everyone took part in House shuttle and netball relays. Coronation Medals for all were awarded at the medal ceremony as well as 1st, 2nd and 3rd medals for overall winners in each group and the House Cup for the winning House (congratulations Drake!).



Gymnastics Club performed an excellent routine to the familiar 'This is Me' from 'The Greatest Showman'



Coronation Showcase

Pupils were able to show off their hard work in individual music lessons and group Speech and Drama lessons in The Coronation Showcase. The showcase provided a great opportunity for students to perform in an

informal environment, whilst giving parents an insight into pupils' individual achievements, whether they are beginners or more experienced players and performers. Well done, everyone, for taking part!



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Coronation Picnic

On the Friday before the Coronation itself, all the children and staff celebrated the Coronation with a splendid picnic, dressed as kings or queens or clothes fit for the Coronation! We got very wet, but it was worth it, dancing to some great tracks, past and present, mostly referencing the King in some way!



A Kaleidoscope of Colour!

A kaleidoscope of colour - well done, everyone, in the fantastic end of year celebratory performance of 'Joseph and

the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat!' Dreamy performance from Joseph, Jacob, Pharaoh and the Dreamcoat Team, and a fine way to say farewell to our Form VII!



Music Matters

It's been a remarkably productive year here in the music department at Fairholme. Matt Deacon has joined the team and has introduced woodwind instruments to 11 pupils so far – a wind band in the making!

Recorder players have made great progress playing five sizes of recorder with some incredibly enthusiastic pupils embracing this opportunity to make music together and work as a team.

Following the fantastic 'Robin Hood' production, we returned for the summer term and swiftly put together a Coronation Showcase closely followed by preparations for the fabu-

lous closing production of 'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat'. A fabulous open 'Mamma Mia' West End Workshop proved a success with our pupils, as well as an opportunity for visitors to join in.

Some of the children participated in harp, piano and Music Theatre exams. They found time to work on exam pieces and demonstrate their progressive skills, and pupils from Forms IV to VII took LAMDA Verse and Prose Exams. Some splendid results all contributing to the confidence in Fairholme pupils.

We're incredibly proud of all the performing opportunities given here at Fairholme. A huge thank you to parents for their valuable support throughout the year.



Summer Sports and Enrichment



Always keen to emphasise that Sports lessons are not just about playing football, children have launched into a full

range of summer sports including cricket, tennis, athletics and rounders. Several past pupils have gone on to

play county tennis and cricket and some, cricket for Wales, so this is of great importance!

It is fantastic to see the children starting out in these summer sports, harnessing ball skills in the early years and having fun! Indoor clubs have also been continuing – keeping fit at 'Cybercoach' club, playing badminton and gaining skills at gymnastics club. A great summer for sport!



Colourful Reminders

To further the colourful theme of Joseph's coat, children have confidently presented some colourful assemblies outlining important principles cherished at Fairholme – we are all special, we should celebrate our differences, and it's important to share. Forms II and III told the story of 'Elmer, the Elephant' – Elmer wanted to be grey like all the other elephants, but his friends missed his lively

and colourful character; Early Years acted out one of their favourite stories, 'The Rainbow Fish' – the Rainbow Fish would not share her shiny scales, but what use were beautiful scales if she was lonely? Thank you, all, for these colourful reminders of the caring ethos we promote at Fairholme.



FAIRHOLME SUMMER DRAMA WORKSHOP

30th AUGUST - 5th SEPTEMBER 2023



The course will include

- Exploring play characters,
- Making props and scenery,
- Learning, practising and performing,
- Designing posters and programmes.

Come and have fun together!

Sign up now via email or Satchel One for more drama fun!



Fabulous Farm Trip

The children from Forms I, II and III recently spent the day at Manorafon Farm Park, Abergelge. After the excitement of the mini bus, the children were introduced to some 'farmers' who explained the day's activities. The children were able to experience a range of activities on offer. As well as feeding the

sheep, goats and alpacas the children could touch rabbits and a bearded dragon which had a hidden third eye!

The children chose a pig they thought would win a race by selecting the matching colour flag. The cheering and waving of flags commenced and it was Ariana 'Grunde' who won the race!

The children also tired themselves out in the soft play area, the outdoor climbing frames, the sit on tractors and finally the jumping pillow! Mrs. Turner joined in with the jumping pillows too!



Big Surprise Indeed!

Kindergarten came dressed as their favourite characters to enjoy some fun and games at their Teddy Bears' Picnic. They sang teddy songs, played pass the teddy, made name tags and drew some teddies. They then ventured outside for a picnic in the sunshine. The teddies even had a turn on the slides, seesaw and in the play house before a special surprise character arrived, Miss Pett, the purple dinosaur—a big surprise, indeed! Lots of fun was had by all.



Postbox Trip!

Role play in Kindergarten this term has been a Post Office. The children have been hard at work in the Post Office sorting letters, using stamps and receiving letters from friends and family. They have been writing letters of their own and very much enjoyed a trip to post letters at the post box on the corner of the Fairholme drive!



Some important dates for your diary

Date	Forms	Event
Wednesday 30 August – Tuesday 5 September	Form I upwards	Drama Workshop 
Friday 20 October, Saturday 21 October, 10am-3pm	VISITORS WELCOME	Open Day – School Tours for Prospective parents
Friday 1 December, 2:30pm	KG–Form III Parents welcome	Nativity Play The Mount Theatre
Tuesday 5 December pm	ALL	Carol Service Rehearsal, St. Asaph Cathedral (Please collect from Cathedral at usual time)
Thursday 7 December, 7pm	Form III–VII	Lovelight Charity Concert, St. Asaph Cathedral
Friday 8 December, 2:30pm	ALL Parents welcome	Fairholme Carol Service, St. Asaph Cathedral
Tuesday 12 December	Form II-VII	Trip to ‘Sleeping Beauty’ Panto, Theatr Clwyd

Smashing Success!

Badminton Club managed to fit in a last-minute badminton tournament in the last two weeks of term.

22 children battled on court for the singles title in a double-elimination knock out tournament. Well done to Reema, the overall winner and to Ryan and Jesse, the runners-up!



Fairholme Football Camps - Summer 2023

Week 1: Monday 31 July – Friday 4 August
Week 2: Monday 7 – Friday 11 August
Week 3: Monday 14 – Friday 18 August



-  Learn new skills from semi-pro footballers
-  Improve technique
-  Make new friends and have fun

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Happy Space

Our popular yoga club this term, as always, has been providing a happy space, promoting social wellbeing, giving a chance for pupils to reflect, relax with friends and learn new skills.

Others have found their happy space at Cooking Club making fruit kebabs and Rocky Road!

Always happy with time to relax at breaktime, the boys have invented their own game – Connect!

School Council have been making worry boxes for each Form so that pupils can voice any worries with their teachers in private, ensuring Fairholme is a happy space for all!



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