



# Fairholme Focus

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## Enjoying the Great Outdoors

The hard working end of year, with School Exams for all the upper school and Music Theatre exams for singing pupils, has not stopped the children enjoying a wide range of outdoor summer activities – Sports Day, House Rounders and Cricket Tournaments, Running Club, Trip to The Welsh Mountain Zoo for Forms I, II and III, Sports Afternoon for Form VI and the Big Toddle and Teddy

Bears' Picnic for Kindergarten. We hope that there has been outdoor interests for everyone, even without always reliable weather!

We are, of course, sad to see Form VII go, but congratulate them on their many academic, musical, dramatic and sporting achievements. Our thanks go to Elijah, Freya and Kai for their contributions in their roles as School Prefects.

## Sports Day

We were fortunate, this year, to have chosen the sunniest day of the month on which to hold our sports day! In the bright sunshine, the children enjoyed displaying their many sporting talents on both track and field. In addition to cheering the children on, parents were able to enjoy some splendid strawberry scones and Pimms, courtesy of Mrs. Sanders. The weather was also perfect for the balloon race—the balloons soaring to a great height. It will be interesting to see how far the winner travels this year. Thank you to all who contributed to the fantastic £400 raised for the Rotary Club. Prior to the medals ceremony, the children treated parents to a preview of one of our “Noah” songs and the day was perfectly rounded off with ice creams!



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## Welsh Mountain Zoo Trip for I, II, III



On Wednesday, 29th June Forms I, II and III went on a school trip to the Welsh Mountain Zoo. Sadly, when we got there, it was raining, so we decided to visit the inside enclosures first! We saw three Mongolian camels; there was a mum, a dad and a baby daughter called Willow.

After the camels we went to the children's petting zoo and Oliver saw a rabbit that looked just like his rabbit, called Snowy!

Next we went to the Mississippi alligator house where we saw two alligators. One was staying very still. They do this in the wild, so that they can jump out to catch their prey, unnoticed.

We then went to see the other reptiles before meeting a lady, called Susan. Susan showed us around some of the exhibits and told us how the zoo has to keep the animals active and not hungry or thirsty.

Then we went to watch the Penguin Parade and the Sea-lion show before going to the chimpanzee house to have our lunch and watch the chimpanzees being fed.

We all had a great time, despite the wet weather!  
*by CP & OH*

## What a Menagerie . . .



Music and Drama departments have been working furiously once again this term towards our performance of 'Captain Noah and His Floating Zoo'.

Throughout the term, musicians, actors and dancers have worked hard on their contributions towards the final show.

Thank you to Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Cameron, Mr. Evans, Miss Messham and Mrs. Matthews for all their efforts, and to all the children for their contributions to such a memorable event.



## Post Day in KG

Kindergarten have had a busy half term learning about the Post Office. They have sent and received letters, decorated using stamps and stampers and have even dressed up as the Postman! The children also had a chance to design their very own stamps as well as counting with them! Lots of very busy Postmen!





Form VI have been creating their own soft creatures this term. From the first designs to making the creatures from felt, the children persevered in sewing the main body and adding additional features using glue. The variety of designs from a square monster to an alien with many eyes shows what creative ideas they all have.



## U.K.J.M.C.

Once again, Form VI and VII took part in the UK Junior Maths Challenge. This year's paper turned out to be a tough one but very well done to Alys and Iwan – winners of Bronze Certificates, and Iwan for the highest Fairholme scorer. Children will have the chance to have another go next year and will continue in years 7 and 8 in most secondary schools.



## Animal Toddle

Kindergarten had an action packed day when they dressed up as animals to help raise money for Barnardo's. Lions, rabbits, a crocodile, a dog, a monkey, a horse and even a zebra could be found in KG. The children danced and sung animal songs but the highlight was the teddy bears' picnic! Luckily even with the rain showers the picnic was held outside in the gazebo and a break in the rain allowed the children to take part in their Big Toddle. They jumped in, on and through different things as they completed their toddle. Well done to Kindergarten for raising a massive £305!



## Form I's Message in a Bottle



Form I have enjoyed learning all about the seaside this term. The role play area has been busy with sand and shell activities as well as a beach cafe. To link in with our topic, the children wrote a special 'message in a bottle' to make a slightly unusual Father's Day card.



## Some important dates for your diary

Date	Forms	Event
Monday 11 July – Wednesday 13 July 10am – 4pm	Form I upwards	Sports Camp
Wednesday 31 August – Tuesday 6 September, 9am – 4pm	Form II upwards	Drama Workshop
Monday 19 September	Form VII (optional)	11+ Wirral Examinations
Monday 26 September am (Please bring packed lunch)	Form VI/VII	Shakespeare Schools Festival Workshop – Theatr Colwyn (Late pick-up ~ 5.30pm)
Friday 30 September 2pm – 4.30pm	Form VII	Netball and Football Tournament at King's School (Late pick-up ~ 5.15pm)
Monday 21 November pm and evening (Please bring packed tea)	Form VI/VII All parents/younger pupils welcome for performance	Shakespeare Schools Festival Performance Day – Theatr Colwyn 7pm performance (tickets on sale from theatre)
Tuesday 29 November 2.30pm	KG–Form III Parents welcome	Nativity at Oriel House Hotel (Please drop children at Oriel House at usual morning time for rehearsal)
Monday 5 December pm	ALL	Rehearsal at St. Asaph Cathedral (Please collect from Cathedral)
Wednesday 7 December 2.30pm	ALL Parents welcome	Christmas Carol Service, St. Asaph Cathedral
Thursday 8 December	ALL	Christmas Lunch
Monday 12 December pm	ALL	Christmas Party and visit from Father Christmas

## Summer Term Form Assemblies with a Watery Theme



Our watery themed assemblies have continued this half term. Form III told us of the importance of water and how not to waste it, Form II told us about how the Victorians used water and their washing and cleaning routines, Form IV talked about the importance of the River Nile and Form VI rounded off with the Bible story of Jonah and the Whale. Well done everyone for your contributions – a worthwhile, confidence-boosting experience.



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