



*Classes 1 and 2 have been working hard this week putting the finishing touches to their nativity play; Busy, Busy Bethlehem. I hope that many of you will be able to join us for the performances on Tuesday afternoon and Thursday evening next week. The children will be starting with their dress rehearsal on Monday afternoon in front of the rest of the school and Little Star nursery.*

*Last Saturday Mr Marvin took our school choir to the Radstock Museum Christmas Fayre. The children sang a variety of Christmas carols and songs. Well done to all the children who came along and thank you to their parents and families for attending, as well as Mr Marvin for organising the whole event.*

*Our annual Senior Citizens' Party is taking place on Thursday morning next week, where the Year 6 pupils will be giving tours of the school before taking our visitors over to the Memorial Hall for some carols. There will be refreshments provided by the Friends of Farrington Gurney School. If you know anyone who may be interested in coming, then please let them know.*

*Class 4 had a great trip to 'We The Curious' in Bristol today; for a write-up of the day along with photos, please visit our school website. Some of the photos are on the next page of the newsletter.*

### Mr Turull

#### Notices

- **Breakfast Club** - please start booking your children's places for Breakfast Club for the New Year.
- **Carols by Candlelight** – We look forward to seeing you in the playground for Carols by Candlelight on Monday at 6pm. We welcomed 90 from the school family last year and it would be wonderful to see as many of you again.
- **Car Emissions** – please can we ask that if you are waiting in the car park that you turn your engines off and do not sit with your car engines running idle. Leaving vehicles running causing excess air pollution to drift over to where the parents, preschool children and babies wait to collect from school.
- **Christingle** – we have handed out the cardboard Christingle candles for children to collect money in and donate. Please return to school ahead of our Christmas Service on the last day of term (full or empty), or they can be taken to the Christingle service at St John's Church (3:00pm on Christmas Eve).
- **Christmas Jumper Day** – we are holding our Christmas jumper day on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December along with our Christmas lunch (slightly different to the national Jumper day today). It would be smashing if you could send a donation which we will send to Save the Children.
- **Clubs** – all clubs have now finished. Please see the attached form; also sent home with the children detailing clubs available in Term 3 & 4: some of which are now available to the Reception children to be returned ASAP. Places will be distributed on a first come first served basis
- **Dinners** – Please place your Term 3 dinner bookings which are now open on ParentPay.
- **Music Lessons** – Mrs Garland will be in school on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December for the final individual sessions & Mrs Mains will be in on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> to practise for the Christmas Service. Mrs Garland & Mrs Mains have also kindly given up their time to come to the Christmas service to support the children playing on the last day of term in the church. Please remember your instruments!
- **Nativity Performance** – There will be a professional 6" x 8" photo taken of the nativity cast. The proof will be available to see and order at the beginning of each performance. Those who have ordered (£6 cash) will receive their photos (mounted in a card frame) in the book bags on Friday.
- **Speed limits around school** – to ensure the safety for all our school community, please drive with care and abide by the 20mph **maximum** speed limit. It can be particularly tricky walking down the lanes especially when there are flooded verges and walkers need to move into the road to manoeuvre around them.
- **Remembrance** – thank you to everyone who donated towards this year's appeal. We doubled the amount raised last year and were able to hand over £169.85
- **Severe Weather** – BANES school website will no longer be operational for school closures so in the event of inclement weather



### Farrington Forum

#### Farrington Forum Christmas Cake Sale

#### When? Where? What?

- . Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December
- . Break time and after school
- . Please bring cakes to the library at the start of school
- . Cakes 20p - £1



### Class 4 Trip to 'We The Curious'



### Friends of Farrington Gurney School

Many thanks to those who have already given a bottle for the mystery bottle raffle at the Nativity performances.

We are still collecting and Mrs Hazard is happy to store them in the office. Donations of anything in a bottle are welcome. Bottles to be in gift bags or wrapped; winners will choose a mystery prize.

You could win champagne, water or it could even be mayonnaise!

### School Diary Dates

#### December 2019

- Mon 16<sup>th</sup>** Music for Schools lessons  
Nativity Dress Rehearsal (2:00pm)  
Carols by Candlelight (6:00pm)
- Tue 17<sup>th</sup>** Nativity Performance (2:00pm)
- Wed 18<sup>th</sup>** Christmas Jumper Day  
School Christmas Dinner
- Thu 19<sup>th</sup>** Senior Citizens' Party (10:00am – 11:30am, school then Memorial Hall)  
Nativity Performance (6:00pm)
- Fri 20<sup>th</sup>** Christmas Carol Service (2:00pm at St John's Church)  
End of Term 2

*We hope you all a very Happy Christmas and New Year. Don't forget that we have INSET Days on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January and Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January so the children return to school on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2020.*