



Wellness Day

Again, it was a real pleasure to see our children and staff enjoying Wellness Day on Thursday. These days are now an integral part of the school calendar and allow us to offer something a little bit different for the children. The focus on 'Celebrating Ourselves as Individuals' gave the children time and space to reflect on how each and every one of them are amazing children in their own way. The junior children also looked at the 9 Protected Characteristics enshrined in law by the Equality Act of 2010 to understand the importance of challenging discrimination in all its forms.

Age This refers to a person belonging to a particular age (e.g. 32 year old) or range of ages (e.g. 18 - 30 year olds). 	Belief and Non-Belief Religion has the meaning usually given to it but belief includes religious and philosophical beliefs including lack of belief or Atheism. Generally, a belief should affect your life choices on the way you live for it to be included in the definition. 	Disability A person has a disability if she has a physical or mental impairment which has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on that person's ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities. 
Gender Reassignment The process of transitioning from one gender to another. 	Marriage and Civil Partnership In England and Wales marriage is a union between same sex or opposite sex couples. Same-sex couples can also have their relationships legally recognised as 'civil partnerships'. Civil partners must not be treated less favourably than married couples except where permitted by the Equality Act. 	Pregnancy and Maternity Pregnancy is the condition of being pregnant or expecting a baby. Maternity refers to the period after the birth, and is linked to maternity leave in the employment context. In the non-work context, protection against maternity discrimination is for 26 weeks after giving birth, and this includes treating a woman unfavourably because she is breastfeeding. 
Race Refers to a group of people defined by their race, colour, nationality including citizenship and ethnic or national origins. 	Sex (Gender) A man or a woman. 	Sexual Orientation A person's attraction towards their own gender, the opposite gender or more than one gender. 

Exciting Staff News!

Mrs Glover is delighted to be able to share her news that she is pregnant and is relieved she will no longer have to 'hide her bump'! There were some big happy faces when she told Class 3 today. She will be with us for another few months yet and we will update you of staffing changes before the Easter break.

Farewell


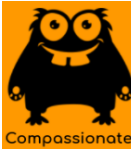


Yesterday we said a fond farewell to Fletcher as he moved on to the next exciting stage of his life. Friends in Class 2 made him a beautiful card, and he said goodbye to each member of staff as well.

Have a relaxing half term, and we look forward to welcoming you all back on Monday 20th February for Term 4.

Mr Dix & Mr Turull

House Points (Last 2 Weeks)			
Ferentone	Mogg	Gournay	Azelin
32	34	31	40
Total for Term 3			
75	85	67	93

Well done to Azelin who have won the House Points for Term 3 - they will receive a House Treat after half term.

This Week's Ace Learners		
 Agile	 Compassionate	 Engaged
Agile Ashley	Compassionate Courtney	Engaged Eddie
Arlo Molly K Amelia Edward Rosie Bea Fin Rheya Isla Bow Olivia	George M Ivy Heidi Rhys Tabitha Rosina Josh G	Colby George C George M Miltiadis Scarlett Esme Karmann Ella W Freya Charlie Grace Fleur Seb Summer Josh H
 Lunchtime Superstars	Ella G Arlo Thomas W Adalyn Mollie M	



Diary Dates

New dates and amendments in blue

February 2023

Mon 20th	Start of Term 4
Thu 24th	Class 4 trip to Hampton Court (leaving at 7:30am)

March 2023

Wed 1st	Parents Evening (1:30pm to 3:00pm in the Village Hall; 3:30pm to 7:00pm in school) Sign up sheets out w/c 20/02
Fri 3rd	Years 4, 5 & 6 at Wells Cathedral Celebration Assembly (Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3)
Wed 8th	Year 6 camp children having lunch and get together in Greyfield Woods with High Littleton and Clutton Year 6
Thu 9th	Family Church service 2:45 - 3:15pm Pick children up from church
Fri 17th	Celebration Assembly (Classes 3 and 4 to show)
Wed 22nd - Fri 24th	Year 4 Residential Trip to Mendip Outdoor Centre
Mon 27th - Fri 31st	Year 6 Residential Trip to Little Canada, Isle of Wight Term 4 ends

Clubs Week 1 Term 4

Martin Phillips Football Club has now ended
Mrs Oates Lego Club has now ended
Mrs Glovers Chromebook Club starts

Friends of Farrington Gurney

We want to say a huge thank you to all those who came along to the quiz last Friday. The event raised an outstanding £430. Everyone had a fantastic evening. Thanks to all those who helped organise with a special thank you to Mr Marvin for being an amazing quiz master. Congratulations to "It might be Hungary" on your win and also to the receivers of the wooden spoons!!!!

Just a reminder that there is a clothes bin located in the car park. This raises regular funds so please continue to pop clean unwanted fabric / clothes in here.

Hope everyone has a lovely half term break.

Notices

- **Bikeability** - Class 4 will have 5 groups each attending on one of the following sets of dates. The initials of the child are shown below:
Group 1, 27 & 28 Feb (AM, BA, RDL, JH, FM, LT)
Group 2, 1 & 2 Mar (SR, RW, AR, RD, AJ, BH)
Group 3, 6 & 7 Mar (MM, JG, EH, FR, IP, IT)
Group 4, 8 & 9 Mar (OC, EP, AB, XJ, SB, MY)
Group 5, 5 & 16 Mar (BM, WA, JW, FJ)
- **Breakfast Club** - Please book via Parentpay for Term 4.
- **Dinners** - Please make your orders via ParentPay for Term 4 as soon as possible and no later than Thursday midnight 16th February. **Should you miss this deadline please send your child with a packed lunch for the first week of term. In very exceptional circumstances, we can request the kitchen cook an extra meal.**
- **Library Service** - Please see the following [link](#) relating to all that is happening in our local libraries.
- **Music for Schools** - Lessons start again in week 1 next term. There will however be a break for week 2 and then lessons as usual in week 3.
- **School Nurse Questionnaire for Class 1** - Please see the email sent home on Wed 8th Feb which requires action, with thanks.
- **St. John's Church** - Please see [here](#) the link to the weekly church events.

CARETAKER VACANCY

Farrington Gurney CofE Primary School and Clutton Primary School are seeking a hard working individual who enjoys physical labour, repairing and looking after buildings and grounds.

Working across both sites (10 hrs in total - 5 hrs at each school). Salary £5,831.00 (£11.18 p/hr). If you are interested or know anyone who would like to apply, please contact the office for further information or search for the job on the Eteach website.



BOOK WEEK

In Term 4 Week 2, we will be celebrating Book Week! The children will be coming home with their book tokens today so please make the most of using your vouchers for a **free** book! (There are also spares in the office if anyone loses or requires an extra voucher). We are also asking parents/grandparents/governors to sign up to share a story with the children at Farrington. An email has gone out today with the details, so if this is something you are interested in, we'd love you to sign up!



We have been asked by B&NES Council to inform you of walk in Covid-19 and flu vaccination clinics available for you and your children during the coming school break. Dates and locations of these are available on the following poster.

GET YOUR COVID-19 & FLU VACCINATIONS

Make a booking, find a walk-in, or check the latest clinic dates, times and locations here...

UPCOMING WALK-IN CLINICS

Bath City FC, Twerton Park, Twerton, BA2 1DB (11am-5pm): Monday 13 February*# Monday 20 February* Monday 27 February	Salvation Army, Bath Citadel, Green Park, BA1 1XE (11am-5pm): Thursday 9 February Thursday 16 February# Thursday 23 February	Mulberry Hub, Mulberry Way, Combe Down, BA2 5BU (11am-5pm): Monday 13 February*# Monday 20 February
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Vaccinations are free:
You do not need proof of address.
You do not need an NHS number.
Your details will not be shared with Immigration.

Walk-in clinics are open for Covid vaccinations to anyone aged 5+
The clinic is only open to those aged 5-11 between 3-5pm

During half-term, clinics are also open from 11am-5pm for 5-11 year olds

Flu vaccinations are open to those aged 18+. All subject to eligibility
Check your eligibility by calling 119 or visit: www.nhs.uk

If you have any questions about vaccinations, please come and chat with a clinician

For those 18 under, please find out how to get your flu vaccination on the www.nhs.uk/website

* Wellbeing conversations available for everyone and NHS Health Checks also available subject to eligibility, visit this website for more information: www.nhs.uk/conditions/nhs-health-check/

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES
w/c 13 February

Bath Central Library

Storytime with Ukrainian Translation
Tuesday 10.30 - 11.30 am 14 Feb

Creativity Corner, Family Fun Drop In
Mon - Sat During opening hours 11 - 18 Feb

Boy Giant Sand Sculpture
Mon - Sat During opening hours 18 Jan - April

Art in the Library - Tin City by Jo Nye
Mon - Sat During opening hours 5 Jan - 24 Feb

Lego Lab, Family Fun Drop In
Mon - Sat During opening hours

Sensory Space, for families with children and young adults with sensory needs
Mon - Sat, Book a Session via Eventbrite

Keynsham Library

Storytime with Ukrainian Translation
Monday 11.30 - 12.30 pm 13 Feb

Midsomer Norton Library

Storytime with Ukrainian Translation
Thursday 11.30 - 12.30 pm 16 Feb

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Half Term

Recycle an Ex Library Book Competition

11 Feb - 22 July, collect an entry form from Keynsham, Bath or Midsomer Norton library

Drop In Workshops

Bath Central Library, 15 Feb 10.30 - 12.00 pm

Midsomer Norton Library, 16 Feb 10.30 - 12.00 pm

Keynsham Library, 17 Feb 10.30 - 12.00 pm

For any ticketed events, the link will be online via Social Media or via the blog.



Thought of the Week

'For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.' (Ephesians 2:10)



The Washing Of The Feet - Ghislaine Howard (2004)

Often as children, we get excited about birthdays and Christmas and this usually has a lot to do with what we are going to get. Even as adults, we can look forward to buying something nice for ourselves, whether that is some new clothes, a new book or maybe even a new car.

As we mature and get older, we begin to see the benefits of giving as well as receiving. If we find a really suitable present for a loved one, we can sometimes relish the time that they will open it, and the joy we will get from seeing their face light up.

This joy of giving can also be experienced from other things we do for people. Maybe we prepare a nice meal for some friends when they come to visit, or maybe we spend some time with a family member who is struggling and our presence makes a difference to how they are feeling.

Our verse today is taken from a letter written by St Paul to the church in Ephesus and the rest of the Christian community. After reminding his

readers that we are not saved by our works or the good things we do, he goes on to say that we have been created to do good things because we are God's 'handiwork'.

Christians believe that we have all been created by a loving God. Even if we don't believe in him or acknowledge him, Christians would say that all humans have been made in the image of God, meaning that humans are in the image of God in their moral, spiritual, and intellectual nature.

If this is the case, then surely it becomes clear why we get so much joy and pleasure from giving to others and making a positive difference in other people's lives.

So have we been created to do good things for other people? Whether this is true for you or not, why not spend some time bringing some much needed joy to another...while at the same time bringing joy to your life as well.

