



## School Vision

As you will be aware, we are currently working on revising our school vision and values. Before Christmas we surveyed parents and carers asking you what you thought the school should be aiming to achieve for your children - the results of which can be found in [Newsletter 15](#).

At the end of last term, we repeated this survey with the KS2 children and the outcomes are below.

Some common themes are emerging and our vision is slowly coming more into focus.

Children's Vision and Value Survey Outcomes February 2023		
Ranking	Values	% Important or very important
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Be a responsible pupil (look after your equipment, classroom, school, community and wider world)</li> </ul>	93%
2=	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do as best as you can in all you do in school</li> <li>Be a compassionate person</li> </ul>	91%
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Be confident and believe in yourselves</li> </ul>	89%
5=	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Get fitter</li> <li>Learn how to work as a team</li> <li>Be able to problem solve</li> </ul>	88%
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do art and music in school (creative lessons)</li> </ul>	80%
9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Find out more about the world we live in</li> </ul>	79%
10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Go on school trips</li> </ul>	70%
11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gain a love of learning</li> </ul>	68%
12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Learn about Christianity</li> </ul>	23%

During this term we will be asking our governors for their opinions, and we will come back to you when this is complete.

## World Book Day

With World Book Day fast approaching, we are looking forward to welcoming parent readers into class to share their love of books with the children. Due to the potential NEU strike on Thursday (see above) and the Year 4, 5 and 6 trip to Wells Cathedral on Friday, we have decided to postpone our annual dressing up day. However, the good news is that we will be holding a day in the last week of term instead, where the pupils can dress up as a character from a book and celebrate reading, including publishing their own class book. Something to look forward to!

## Strike Action Update

The second of the NEU strike days is taking place on Thursday 2nd March and we are expecting to be able to keep the whole school open like last time. Can Class 4 please come in PE kit as usual on a Thursday.

Mr Dix & Mr Turull

## Eco Club Request:

Eco Club are trying to help the school reduce electricity use, protect the climate and save money. Does anyone have any timer plugs they are willing to donate so that we can plug them into our chromebook trolleys so they only charge for a maximum of two hours a day?



Thank you Liv, Freya & Emily

## Diary Dates

New dates and amendments in blue

### 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 in the office.
Fri 3rd	Years 4, 5 & 6 at Wells Cathedral <b>2:45pm Short Celebration Assembly (R, Y1, Y2 and Y3 only - dictionaries being presented to Year 3 pupils)</b>
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 <b>Pick children up from church</b> <b>Gymnastics Tournament (Year 5/6) - letter out next week</b>
Fri 17th	Celebration Assembly (Classes 3 and 4 to show)
<b>Mon 20th</b>	<b>Class 4 to Dance Umbrella, Bath PM</b>
Wed 22nd -	Year 4 Residential Trip to Mendip
Fri 24th	Outdoor Centre
Mon 27th -	Year 6 Residential Trip to Little
Fri 31st	Canada, Isle of Wight Term 4 ends

## Next Week's Clubs

No Chromebook Club next Thursday



## Notices

- **Bath City FC Community Day** - see poster below
- **Bikeability** - It is group 1 & 2's turn to complete Bikeability next week. Please remember your bikes, helmets & warm sports kit. If you plan to leave your bike in school overnight; this will be at your own risk and we would suggest you use a secure cycle chain.  
Group 1, 27 & 28 Feb (AM, BA, RDL, JH, FM, LT)  
Group 2, 1 & 2 Mar (SR, RW, AR, RD, AJ, IP)
- **Clubs** - There are still spaces available in the following free clubs. Please contact the office if your child would like to join.  
Thurs, Mindfulness Club (Classes 1 & 2)  
Thurs, Chromebook Club (Classes 1 & 2)  
Fri, Football Club (Classes 3 & 4)
- **Dinners** - please remember the deadline to order cooked meals is Thursday midnight for the next week. Only in very exceptional circumstances will the kitchen be able to accept orders if you have forgotten.
- **Music for Schools** - No Music lessons next week (week 2). They will resume the week after until the end of term.
- **School Nurse Questionnaire for Class 1** - Please see the email sent home on Wed 8th & 22nd Feb which requires completing by today.
- **St. John's Church** - Please see [here](#) the link to the weekly church events.

## Friends of Farrington Gurney

*It was lovely to see the year 6 children earlier this week with huge proud smiles when they first wore their leavers hoodies. A huge thank you to Adele Ross for coordinating the order of these. The PTA are very pleased to be able to fund the hoodies each year.*

*The school disco will take place on 24th March. Please note that we will need numerous parent helpers for this event to go ahead. A sign-up sheet for volunteering will be put in the playground in a couple of weeks.*

*We are in the process of organising the annual Cheddar camping trip, details will be shared soon.*



## ***Farrington Gurney Mobile Library Service***

*The mobile library parks up on Main Street (between Farrington Way and Meadow Close) every two weeks on a Tuesday afternoon. They are keen for villagers to use the service so it can continue to visit & they would love to see families from the school.*

*You can borrow and return library books and collect reservations from the mobile library van.*

*It's next in the village on 7th March and then fortnightly after that, 1.25pm - 1.55pm. The upcoming dates are 7 & 21 March, 4 & 18 April, 2, 16 & 30 May, 13 & 27 June.*

The Mobile Library Service | Bath and  
North East Somerset Council  
[beta.bathnes.gov.uk](http://beta.bathnes.gov.uk)



<https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/mobile-library-service>



# CHEW VALLEY 10k

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2023  
at 9.30am

Bespoke event medal for all entrants & option of tshirt

Gorgeous, rural route from Bishop Sutton Village Hall, with friendly marshals and lots of support!

Support our community event and our local beneficiaries - all fitness levels welcome.

Adults (18+ yrs)\*  
£24 (medal & T shirt)  
£21 (medal only)

Youth (15-18 yrs)  
£15

"you don't have to be great to start, ...but you do have to start to be great"

For all details and to enter visit us at  
[www.chewvalley10k.co.uk](http://www.chewvalley10k.co.uk)

\* £2 discount applies for UKA affiliated members

## BATH CITY FC COMMUNITY DAY

PLUS! Free Face painter, Inflatable & more!

### PAY WHAT YOU LIKE!

PAY AS LITTLE OR AS MUCH AS YOU WANT ON THE GATE OR BOOK EARLY ONLINE

# BATH CITY

## v TONBRIDGE ANGELS

Saturday 25th February  
3pm Twerton Park

Generously supported by:  
**StatsBomb**

[www.bathcityfc.com/tickets](http://www.bathcityfc.com/tickets)

COMMUNITY RUN & OWNED

## Keynsham Cricket Club Easter Camps 2023

- At The Frank Taylor Memorial Ground, Keynsham, BS31 1HU -

Week 1 - Mon 3<sup>rd</sup>, Tue 4<sup>th</sup>, Wed 5<sup>th</sup> & Thu 6<sup>th</sup> April  
Week 2 - Tue 13<sup>th</sup>, Wed 14<sup>th</sup>, Thu 15<sup>th</sup> & Fri 16<sup>th</sup> April

- 9.00am - 3.30pm
- Multi Sports & Activities
- Boys & Girls aged 5-12
- ECB Level 2+ Coaches
- £22 Per Day (Discount for booking full week)
- Emphasis on enjoyment

Online Booking at :- [keynshamcricket.com/kids-camps](http://keynshamcricket.com/kids-camps)

Enquiries - Tom Bryan 07891918722 or [tombryan@tve.co.uk](mailto:tombryan@tve.co.uk)

## EcoWild

You are Nature

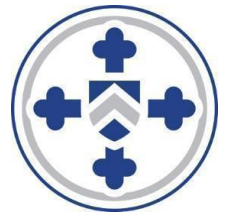
# Holiday Adventure Club

Greyfield Wood

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> to Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2023  
10am to 3pm  
5 to 11 year olds

Sibling discount & block booking available

Craft Fire Games Fun Friends Nature Connection



## Thought of the Week

**'For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son. Whoever puts his trust in God's Son will not be lost but will have life that lasts forever.'** (John 3:16)

***"If you had the cure for cancer, surely you would want to tell the world."***

We are bombarded by so much information everyday and with so much going on, the Christian message can seem completely insignificant and irrelevant. Many church buildings are several hundreds of years old, some are now closed and church attendance is on the decline. Religion is surely outdated, outmoded and has nothing to offer. It's only for people who feel they 'need' something like that in their lives.

Opinion polls and questionnaires show clearly that our world has moved on from faith. There's no need for it now, we have science and that tells us everything we need to know. We understand **how** things work, we can also explain **what** our world needs to survive.

But what about the **why**? Science has nothing to say about why we are here and our purpose in life. If we are complex beings, with a desire to live, explore and experience things, surely we need to have a purpose.

Christians would say that Jesus gives this purpose and meaning.

Although Christianity may be on the decline in this country, there are Christians all over the world now. This is no longer a Western religion (in fact it never was). It is a faith that transcends background, country and culture. Every year, it reaches thousands of people who previously had no belief in God and there are literally tens of thousands of people all over the globe who every year change their faith and start following Christ. This change is not only life changing but also life threatening, as their belief in Jesus puts them in danger of attack from members of their previous faith which can sometimes include their own families. But it is a risk they are willing to take. The question again is **why**?



Pietà – Michelangelo Buonarroti (1499)

Many people in our country may ask why should I learn about Christianity, or why should I become a Christian? What's in it for me?

Put simply the Christian message is all about what Jesus did over 2000 years ago. For millions of people all over the world, this is significant to their lives today - significant, relevant and life changing.

Christians believe that none of us are worthy of eternal life and that it is only because Jesus died in our place that we can be in heaven with God.

This is something that many of us choose to believe is nonsense. That is until we reach a time in our lives where the concept of life after death does become significant to us.

