



### Parent Forum

We will be holding another Parent Forum on Wednesday 8th March at 8:50 in the Lodge on the playground.

It is a chance to meet with both of us to discuss where the school is currently, and what plans we have for the months ahead.

These meetings were initiated as a way of continually improving communication with parents as noted on an earlier Parents' Questionnaire.

### Wells Cathedral Choir

We were delighted to attend Wells Cathedral today with other schools as part of their outreach programme with local schools.

The children in Years 4, 5 and 6 have had weekly singing lessons with Mrs Macloed-Jones and all that hard work was brought together today in a magnificent setting.



This was another example of the school giving children great experiences beyond the usual curriculum.

### Hampton Court Visit

An early start was well worth it for the children in Class 4 who travelled up the A303 to Hampton Court Palace, the home of Henry 8th. They were met by a Yeoman of the Guard, who told them all about some of the beastly jobs children would have had to have done in Tudor times. Lots of smiles and plenty of learning took place and the children were a joy to travel with.



### Eco Mascot



The children in Eco Club have created a mascot they will be talking to the school about soon. 'Sammy the Sloth' is the name to look out for when we discuss anything energy-saving related in school. Read about our school here:



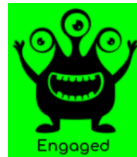

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### Young Sports Leaders



Well done to Bow and Elias for completing a day's training at Bath University today, developing their sports leadership skills. We're sure they are looking forward to putting this into practice when they move up to Year 6.

Mr Dix & Mr Turull

This Week's Ace Learners		
 Agile	 Compassionate	 Engaged
Agile Ashley	Compassionate Courtney	Engaged Eddie
Sid Ava Mollie M Noah Harry Holly G	Felix Lyla Charlotte Edward R Mollie S	Eddy P Henry Albie L Holly E Toby Ralph Thomas W
 Lunchtime Superstars		Lyla Heidi Kayden Mollie M Esme Adalyn Georgia Elias



**ST JOHN'S CHURCH**  
*Family service*  
*and cafe*  
**THURSDAY 9TH MARCH**  
**2.45PM – 4.00PM**  
**COFFEE, CAKE, AND**  
**GOOD CONVERSATION**

CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT  
[WWW.PAULTON-BENEFICE.ORG.UK](http://WWW.PAULTON-BENEFICE.ORG.UK)

**Notices**

- **Bikeability** - Group 3 & 4 shall complete Bikeability next week. Please remember your bikes, helmets & warm sports kit. If you leave your bike in school overnight please use a secure cycle lock as this will be at your own risk.  
 Group 3, 6 & 7 Mar (MM, JG, EH, FR, BH, IT)  
 Group 4, 8 & 9 Mar (OC, EP, AB, XJ, SB, MB)
- **Class 4 Dance Umbrella** - Thank you to those parents who have paid for their tickets please can those who have not, do so now.
- **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.
- **Mad Science Club** - We have received notification that they cannot deliver the next 3 clubs and a refund provided directly to you.
- **Music for Schools** - Music lessons resume next week until the end of term.
- **Seedy Saturday** - See below & click [here](#).
- **St. John's Church** - Please see [here](#) the link to the weekly church events.

**Diary Dates**

New dates and amendments in blue

**March 2023**

Mon 6th/ Tue 7th	Bikeability for Group 3
Wed 8th & Thu 9th	Bikeability for Group 4
Wed 8th	<a href="#">Parent Forum</a> (Reading Lodge 8:50am) Year 6 camp lunch in Greyfield Woods with High Littleton and Clutton Year 6 Gymnastics Tournament (Year 5/6) Family Church service 2:45 - 3:15pm <b>Pick children up from church</b>
Thu 9th	
Wed 15th & Thur 16th Fri 17th	Bikeability for Group 5  Celebration Assembly (Classes 3 and 4 to show)
Mon 20th	Class 4 to Dance Umbrella, Bath PM
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

**Next Week's Clubs**

[No Mad Science Club](#)

**Friends of Farrington Gurney**



**Mother's  
and Other's  
Day Sale**



**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March**

An opportunity  
to buy a little gift for  
someone special.

There will be a range of gifts  
available for the children to  
choose from.

**All Gifts**

**£2**

Please send money to  
school with the  
children



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### Thought of the Week

**'Be joyful always, pray at all times, be thankful in all circumstances. This is what God wants from you in your life in union with Christ Jesus.' (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)**



St David painted in stained glass, Ceredigion, UK

Wednesday was St David's Day, but who was he?

St David was born in Pembrokeshire about 500AD and became a preacher who founded monasteries and churches in Wales, Brittany and England. It is believed that he may have built the abbey in Glastonbury.

It is believed that he made a pilgrimage to Jerusalem and became an archbishop. It is also believed that he only ate leeks and water, which is the reason for a leek being one of Wales' national emblems.

It is believed that St David performed miracles, the most famous one being when the ground rose from beneath his feet when preaching at Llandewi Brefi, so everyone could see him. It is said that a white dove landed on his shoulder which is how he is often depicted.

St David died on March 1st in 589AD. He was buried at St David's Cathedral but after his tomb was raided by Vikings, he was given a new shrine in 1275. He was canonised by Pope Callixtus in the 12th century and St David's Day has been celebrated ever since, his shrine a

notable place of pilgrimage. He is the only native-born patron saint of the countries of Britain and Ireland.

Lots of things are remembered about St David, but what sticks out more than most is the last words he was thought to have given his followers before his death.

"Be joyful, keep the faith and do the little things that you have heard and seen me do." The phrase 'gwenwch y pethau bychain mewn bywyd', which means 'Do the little things in life' is still a well-known phrase in Wales.

Not bad for final words - be joyful, make time for the little things, be faithful and maybe even a person of faith. No wonder he is still remembered today, 1,434 years after his death. Wise words for all of us.

