



## Dolphin Class - Evacuee Trip

Despite the wet and windy weather, Dolphin Class had a memorable trip to East Somerset Railway in role as evacuees. The trip's intention was to both learn more about the role of children in World War 2, but to also sense what a hugely emotional experience this was for children during that time.



## Contacting Parents - Email

To update you on our need to keep your data safe, we are hoping a new system to deliver emails to you will be up and running next week. From your end you will see no difference and will be able to send us emails as you normally would.

## Governor Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy on our Governing Body. Please contact Mrs Hazard (Clerk to the Governing Body) or Mrs Tyrrell (Chair of Governors) for more details. Should we have more than one person interested, we will hold an election for parents to select their preferred candidate.

Mr Dix and Mr Turull

## Notices

- **Breakfast Club** - we offer wraparound care from 8am at our Breakfast Club every day which is £4/£3.50 (eldest child/sibling) per session and can be booked via ParentPay. There is plenty of availability this term so if you need to get off to work earlier please think of using the club. Any questions please contact the office.
- **Clubs** - all clubs are running as usual next week.
- **Dinners** - the office will be checking accounts next week for any over payments and correctly where necessary following the recent gremlin.
- **Data Collection Forms (Pink)** - these were sent out in the week to every child. Thank you to those who have returned these. For those who have not yet, please check, update if necessary and sign/date then return to your class teacher by Friday 30th September.
- **ICT Agreement Forms** - (Reception & Year 3 only) these were sent out last week. If you have not already, please return these completed to your class teacher by Friday 30th September.
- **Music for Schools** - there will be no Woodwind lessons next week due to Teacher Assessments, lessons return on 5th October.
- **School Photos** - Nigel Coles completed the children's individual & sibling school photos and proofs will be sent home in the book bags the week beginning 2nd October.
- **St. John's Church** - Please see [here](#) the link to the weekly church events.
- **Year 6** - The 2nd instalment for the Little Canada Residential Trip is due by 1st October.

# Farrington Gurney Church of England Primary School

*A place where all can flourish, find fulfilment and experience life in all its fullness*

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## Diary Dates

New dates and amendments in blue

### September 2023

- Wed 27th Friends of Farrington Gurney School meeting at the Farrington Inn (8:00pm)
- Fri 29th Celebration Assembly (2:30pm in the Memorial Hall)

### October 2023

- Fri 13th Harvest Festival 9:15-9:45am at St. Johns Church (parents welcome)
- Wed 18th Parents Evening 1:30-3pm (Hall) 3.30pm-7:00pm (School)
- Thu 19th BYO Year 6 parents Cheese, Wine and Arithmetic Evening 6:30pm in Dolphin Class.

## Friends of Farrington Gurney School

A final reminder that our first meeting will be held at 8pm next Wednesday at the Farrington Inn. All very welcome.

We will then be able to share ideas raised and plans for upcoming events.

**A VERY ENGLISH WINE TASTING**

SEP 30

£25 per person

TASTING INCLUDES:  
1 X SPARKLING  
2 X WHITE  
2 X ROSÉ  
2 X RED  
PAIRED WITH NIBBLES

**JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF ENGLISH WINES, DELICIOUS NIBBLES AND WINE THEMED GAMES**

Saturday 30th September | Doors Open 7:00PM  
Farrington Gurney Memorial Hall | First Sips 7:30PM

Tickets: Email - [treasurer@farringtongurneyvillagehall.org](mailto:treasurer@farringtongurneyvillagehall.org)

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Bath & North East Somerset



B&NES Parent Carer Forum

## SEND Local Offer Information Event

Hosted by

**Live Well B&NES & B&NES Parent Carer Forum**

Brunswick Room, Guildhall, High Street, Bath BA1 5AW  
Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September 10:00am - 12:00pm

**A drop-in session for parent carers and anyone supporting a child or young person with a Special Educational Need and/or Disability. Meet services, groups and organisations supporting young people with SEND.**

Tea & coffee provided and a separate quiet space.  
No one-to-one or private appointments available at this event (please speak to the provider to arrange this at a separate time).

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## Pump Track Opening Party

23<sup>rd</sup> September 2023, 12-5pm

Temple Cloud Playing Field, BS39 5BD



Official Track opening @ 12.30 by Adam Brazil, Crucial BMX

Bike coaching with Matt Eaton, Bath BMX (sign up required),

British Cycling coach led racing (sign up required £2 p/p),

Free bike mini health check with Sully's Cycles,

Avon and Somerset Police Neighbourhood Team

Bar, BBQ, Pizza, Ice Cream, Cakes, Coffee, Milkshakes

Bouncy Castle, Tombola, Raffle, Face painting, Games and more

DJ's from 12 and Band - Dub Catalyst @ 16.00

Bring a water bottle, we will provide free top ups from the village hall

Parking for guests on field off Tiledown

Follow us on FB: [TempleCloudWithCameleyPC](https://www.facebook.com/TempleCloudWithCameleyPC)



### Thought of the Week

**“Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?”**

**Jesus replied: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbour as yourself.’”**

**(Matthew 22: 36-39)**

**RESPONSIBLE**

This year, our school has a new vision. Farrington Gurney is ‘a place where all can flourish, find fulfilment and experience life in all its fullness.’

We want and believe this for all the children and adults in our school community and we believe that this is possible by embedding our four key learning values - **C**ompassion, **A**gility, **R**esponsibility and **E**ngagement - **CARE**.

We have linked these key learning values to our overarching Christian values of love, trust, forgiveness, perseverance, hope, justice, courage and koinonia. Responsibility we believe is linked very closely with justice and hope. If we are responsible citizens, we will desire and seek justice for our community and our world and we can then have hope that things will get better.

Today’s verse is all about being responsible. When Jesus was asked what the greatest commandment was, he replied by giving two commandments. The reason for this is because they are of equal importance and they are so interconnected that it was impossible for Jesus to separate them.

In the Old Testament, the Jewish law, there are a total of 613 commandments. That’s quite a few, so when Jesus was asked this question, maybe the ‘expert in the law’ was

hoping to whittle these 613 laws down to just one. What is wonderful about Jesus’ response is that if anyone follows and keeps just the two laws he mentions - love God and love others - then they would fulfil all the other 611 laws. If you fully love God and fully love other people, you won’t break any of the other commandments.

For many of us, the first commandment may be difficult. What if I don’t have my own faith and don’t believe in God? Well not fulfilling the first commandment doesn’t mean you can forget about the other one. If we are all called to be responsible citizens, this means we should be looking out for our fellow man. As our CARE poster states, ‘we have a responsibility to look after and care for our planet (and) each other’.

This might mean taking care of a loved one, or maybe giving to a charity that matters to us. Maybe there is something wrong that you feel needs to be put right, something you are seeking justice for. We all have a responsibility to do something to make a difference.

Often, taking action and doing what we can to help others can be very rewarding - not only will those you help flourish but you will too!

So this week, see what it is that you are passionate about. Somewhere that you know you could make a difference. It may only be small, but it could make a difference in someone’s life. And remember, be grateful that we’re only asked to follow two commandments and not 613!

Matthew 22:37 -39  
...“Love the Lord your God  
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all your mind.’...  
greatest commandment...  
And the second....  
‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’”