

## Farrington Forum Election

Next week we will be electing a new group of children to represent their peers as part of Farrington Forum.

The forum is important within the school as forming the group shows democracy in action, and also the children feel their voices are heard within school when it comes to planning and delivering events or presenting new ideas.

All children (apart from anyone who has been on the forum within the last 2 years) are encouraged to prepare a short presentation to their classmates on why they would be a good representative and any ideas they have to move the school forward.

We look forward to hearing the children's presentations and revealing the new members of Farrington Forum at next week's Celebration Assembly.

## Twitter

Just a reminder that we try to update our twitter feed regularly to include photographs showing some of the many varied things going on in school.

We are aiming to have more staff uploading content so the feed has more photos for you to look at. Follow us at @fgprimary

## Thank You!

Big thank you to Kelly, Evie and Rich Sheppard for putting our new shed up on the allotment - your 'extra mile' is much appreciated.

Thanks also to Sperring Trust for the £500 donation to purchase it.



Mr Dix & Mr Turull

## Diary Dates

[New or amended dates in blue](#)

### **September 2022**

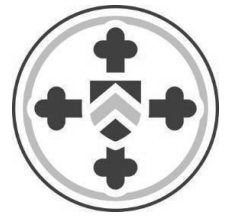
Thu 22nd	Norton Hill Open Evening 4:45pm
Thu 29th	Somervale Open Evening 6:00pm Class 4 Trip to Downside
Fri 30th	Celebration Assembly 2:30pm

### **October 2022**

<a href="#">Wed 5th</a>	<a href="#">Parent Forum 2:45pm in the Lodge</a>
Thu 6th	Harvest Festival @ Church 2:00pm
Wed 19th	Parents Evening 1:30 - 6:30pm

## Notices

- **BANES Keyboard Lessons** - will be on next Friday instead of Thursday due to a class trip.
- **Breakfast Club** - those who booked the Monday
- **Baths Children's Literature Festival** - click [here](#) for details about Fairies ✨ Goddesses 🧙 Wizards 🌟 and Monsters 🧛 coming to Bath this Autumn!
- **Clubs** - Young Voices Club starts on Monday 26th September. Premier Sport will refund those who would have normally attended Football Club on Monday due to the Bank Holiday.
- **Data Collection Forms (Pink)** - 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 2 only) if not done so already these need to be returned completed to your class teacher.
- **Music for Schools** - return on 29th September.
- **St. John's Church** - Please see [here](#) the link to the weekly church events.
- **School Photos** - Nigel Coles completed the children's individual & sibling school photos today and proofs will be sent home in the book bags later next week for you to order.



## Thought of the Week

***'The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.'* (John 1:5)**

*Today's verse was quoted by her late majesty Queen Elizabeth II during her Christmas message in 2015.*

*"It is true that the world has had to confront moments of darkness this year, but the Gospel of John contains a verse of great hope, often read at Christmas carol services: 'The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it'... Despite being displaced and persecuted throughout his short life, Christ's unchanging message was not one of revenge or violence but simply that we should love one another."*

*Some of us might say that this message is true, possibly even more true today than it was 7 years ago. We have lived through a pandemic, a war in Ukraine and more recently a fuel crisis and ever increasing food costs. Some days, the world can seem a very dark place.*

*During times like these, it is even more important that we do pull together and as Elizabeth's message says, we should simply love one another.*

*This has always been the message of the gospel. In the Bible, Jesus is clearly shown to be someone who served others and had time for people, even children and the people that were shunned by the rest of society.*

*Whatever we have to face in the next few weeks, or months, let's remember that we can make a difference in the lives of those around us by showing love and compassion. Who's day can you brighten up? What can you do to make another person's day even better? How can you make a positive difference?*



*Let's remember the lives of both Elizabeth and Jesus and how both lived lives of service to others. Maybe theirs is an example for us.*

## Friends of Farrington Gurney School

Thank you to those who have been in touch since last week. We are extremely low on numbers in our PTA and without regular input 'behind the scenes' to plan and organise activities and events (such as panto, carols by candlelight and discos) we won't be able to run them, which will be a real shame for the children.

We have had a few people step forward, but still need more. If you can come along to the AGM to find out more, we'd love to see you! 8pm, Wednesday 19th October at the school-wine and nibbles on offer!

In the meantime, here are some easy ways you can continue to raise funds for our school:

**Feed the blue clothes bin in the bottoms gravel car park-it's always hungry!**

**My Nametags ( <https://www.mynametags.com> )  
-use school code 59675 when placing an order.**

**Amazon Smile-purchase through Amazon Smile instead of mainstream Amazon. Once you have set up your account (go to Amazon Smile app or website, then settings, search for charity 'Friends of Farrington Gurney School' to set up the link), the school will receive a percentage of money from your spend.**



## Libraries for the Children of B&NES – Survey



Calling all parents and carers of 0–11-year-olds!

Do you bring children to our libraries?

If not, why?

What would encourage you to use our services?



Take part in our online survey:

Visit

<http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/parentscarerslibraries>  
to complete the survey online by **10th October 2022**  
or, scan the QR code



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# Bath Youth Samba

Sundays 10am – 11:30am  
Riverside Youth & Community Centre,  
London Road, Bath

October

2<sup>nd</sup>

9<sup>th</sup>

16<sup>th</sup>

Single session - £6 // Full Term - £15

Enquiries and Bookings:  
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# Harvest Service

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CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

**THURSDAY 6TH  
OCTOBER 2 PM**

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AND GIVE THANKS TOGETHER

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