



Bugsy Malone

Two wonderful performances have been put on this week by Dolphin Class as they took to the stage for their end of year production, 'Bugsy Malone.' Everyone involved pushed themselves in new challenges, whether that was singing, dancing, being on stage, learning lines or mastering the lights and it really paid off. Thank you very much to Mrs Mathieson for coordinating and directing the show and all the help from the staff team: Mrs Harvey, Mrs Telling, Mrs Sheppard and Michelle Rochester.



Sports Day

Thank you to everyone who supported our sports day on Wednesday morning. All the houses had a chance to participate in a range of activities, followed by some races. It was certainly warm, but the children (and supporters!) kept going right up until the end. Well done to our winners this year... Ferentone! Thank you to Friends of Farrington for the ice lollies!



Be Green to be Seen - Thursday 16th July

Next Thursday, our Eco Warriors are organising a non-uniform day and they would like us all to find ways to stand out with a donation of 50p per stand out item, for example painted nails, bright clothing or colourful hair. Donations can be made on Arbor and will go to outdoor play equipment for the playground. More information can be found on the poster below.

Doodle and Reading Summer Challenges

Don't forget to sign up your child for the Doodle Summer Maths challenge. This will help your child to keep practising their maths skills and maintain their engagement in learning over the summer holidays. The challenge is to collect a minimum of 600 stars (750 for KS2) and to have logged on for at least 14 days from 1 July to 31st August. There will be a special pin badge and certificate for children who complete the challenge. All you need is to ensure you have linked your email to your child's account and sign them up for the competition. Happy Doodling! *Mrs Mathieson*

BANES Summer Reading Challenge has also just started and will run until 13th September. The theme is 'Read to the Beat' and you can find out more about it [here](#) or visit the Library stand at Midsomer Norton Town Fayre tomorrow. We look forward to seeing how many complete the challenge at our Celebration Assemblies in the autumn!

Mrs Geeson and Mr Turull



Join the Doodle Summer Challenge!

1st July – 31st August

Earn exclusive pin badges and certificates by Doodling 'little and often'!

Scan the QR code or visit doodlelearning.com/challenge to find out more

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ECO Warriors

Have fun
Be creative
Be Seen!

50p
Pay for each way you can be Seen!

Be Seen To Be Green!

How many ways can you be Seen?

THURSDAY 16TH JULY
All money raised will go towards new outdoor equipment.

- Non-school uniform
- Stand out hair!
- Face paint
- Nails painted
- Stand out accessories!



INSTRUMENTAL & VOCAL LESSONS

Instrumental and vocal lessons at school are provided by teachers from West of England Music & Arts (WEMA)

LESSON OPTIONS

30 minutes individual x 10 lessons	£250
20 minutes individual x 10 lessons	£167
30 minutes paired x 10 lessons	£124
Group x 10 lessons	£85

Inquire within school about possible remissions if your child is registered as receiving income-based Pupil Premium funding. Tick the box on the WEMA sign-up page if eligible. WEMA will then contact you to discuss final arrangements.



INSTRUMENT HIRE

Instruments are not provided by the school. However, there are a wide range of instruments that can be hired from WEMA music hub. These are free to hire for students receiving Pupil Premium. Contact WEMA directly by adding hire to your application or emailing: create@wema.org.uk

For more details go to:
wema.org.uk/learn-to-play



SUMMER PARTY

SCHOOLS OUT!

- BOUNCY CASTLE = £3
- WRAPS/ VEGGIE WRAP = £5
- HOTDOGS = £3
- FACE PAINTING = £2

COME AND JOIN US AT THE PARK AFTER SCHOOL

FRIDAY 17TH JULY!!

3:15 - 5PM

PLEASE PRE ORDER FOOD VIA YOUR YEAR REP



Notices

- **Children's Commissioner for England - Message to Parents to complete with their children the national survey, The Big Future.** The Children's Commissioner has shared the following survey <https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture> to receive from as many children in every community to hear their experiences, views and aspirations.
- **School Reports** will be sent out via email early next week.
- **BANES Music Lessons** - have now finished for the term.
- **CEO Letter to Parents** - please see your emails as sent today.
- **Clubs** - FizzPop Club & Ignite Sport Clubs are running next week all other clubs have now finished.
- **Clubs for Terms 1 & 2** are now available on Arbor to book.
 - Mondays: Martin Phillips Football Club Y3-6 T1&2
Gina Belford Art Workshop Y2-6 T1&2
(terms can be booked separately)
Gardening Lunchtime Club Y1-6 T1
 - Tuesdays: STEM Y3-6 T2
Singing Y1-6 T1 & Christmas Singing Club T2 (terms can be booked separately)
FizzPop Science Y1-6 T1
 - Thursdays: Netball Y3-6 T1
Children's Choice of Dance/Disco Moves Y1-4 T1
Children's Choice of Dance/Disco Moves Y3-6 T2
- **Dinners** - Meals for September can be booked **after** the 14th August when the new price increase will apply. *Booking before, will result in charging complications as the new year groups will not have been migrated over.*
- **Lost Property** - will be put out most days when it is dry between now and the end of term. Anything that is left at the end of term will be disposed of as appropriate.
- **Music for School** - Final sessions are 14th & 16th.
- **St. John's Church** - Please see [here](#) the link to the weekly church events.
- **Swimming** - next term it is the turn of Dolphin Class to swim. Please consent/pay via Arbor as soon as possible and no later than the 1st September - there is a small charge of £4/week purely for the transport which remains unchanged from this year.
- **WEMA Instrument & Vocal Lessons** - there is a flier below for children to have private lessons in school.
- **WEMA Guitar & Ukulele Lessons** - please see the email sent yesterday and respond by Monday.
- **Year 6 Residential 2027** - Thank you to those who have actioned the deposit - the deadline has now passed. For those who have not actioned this please do so this weekend.
- **Year 6 Pilgrimage to Holy Trinity Church** - this is on 15th July and ready to consent via Arbor (no costs).

Diary Dates

July

Tue 14th	Last swimming session for KS1 Fizz Pop Science Club, extra session (to replace cancelled hot weather session)
Wed 15th	Y6 Pilgrimage to Paulton am (details are on Arbor - please consent)
Thursday 16th	Be Seen to Be Green ECO Warriors Event - Non-school Uniform Day (see the poster) Ignite Sport after school club (last session)
Friday 17th	Leavers Service at the Church 9-10am Year 6 Final Farewell under the tree on the sports pitch 2:30-3:15pm End of Term 6

September

Mon 7th	All children return to school - new reception intake start at 9:00am and finish at 11:50am
Tue 8th	Dolphin Class to swim (please consent/pay via Arbor)
Mon 14th	New reception intake start at 8:35am and finish at 12:45am Clubs start this week (other than Martin Phillips football which started on the 7th)
Mon 21st	New reception intake attend all day finishing at 15:15pm

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EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

w/c 6 July 2026

For any ticketed events, visit our Virtual Library or Eventbrite for details.
baneslibraries.co.uk/groups-events/

Bath Central Library

Storytime

Tuesday 10.30 - 11.00 am

Baby Bounce and Rhyme

Wednesday 10.00 - 10.30 am & 11.00 - 11.30 am

Keynsham Library

Storytime

Thursday 10.30 - 11.00 am

Baby Bounce and Rhyme

Tuesday 9.30 - 10.00 am & 10.30 - 11.00 am

Midsomer Norton Library

Storytime

Wednesday 10.30 - 11.00 am

Baby Bounce and Rhyme

Monday 11.00 - 11.30 am

Summer Reading Challenge 2026 - Read to the Beat

The Summer Reading Challenge starts on Saturday 11 July 2026. Pop in to any of our libraries to take part. All you need is your library card and if you're not a member, it's quick and easy to sign up!

The theme this year is Read to the Beat, so look out for our music themed crafting events. Can you complete the six challenges?



Catherine & Emma's Holiday clubs



July

Friday 24th - Mindfulness day

Tuesday 28th - Musical Theatre day

Wednesday 29th - Musical Theatre day

August

Monday 17th - Musical Theatre day

Wednesday 19th - Mindfulness day

Venue: St Vigor and St John Primary School, Chilcompton, BA3 4EX

Times: 8:45am - 3:15pm

Ages: Reception - year 6

Price: £25 per child per day (sibling discount available)

Bring: Packed lunch, snack, drink, warm/ wet weather clothing, sun cream & hat if appropriate.

Bookings: To book please follow this link:

<https://www.sparkleandpopparties.co.uk/general-8>

If you require any further information, please contact Catherine on: 07808 195 177.



The Big BaNES 100km summer challenge is BACK for 2026!

This summer, young people and families in BaNES are being challenged to get outside, get moving and cover 100km before the end of September in support of two brilliant local youth charities [Mentoring Plus](#) and [Off the Record BaNES](#). You can take on the challenge in your own way and at your pace - walking, running, cycling, scooting - it all counts! You can even share the distance as a team or family and there is no minimum fundraising target.

The aim of the challenge is to get active outdoors, enjoy the warmer, longer days and support lifeline services for young people in our community.

It's easy to take part:

1. Visit bath100kmchallenge.org and create a fundraising page
2. Get moving outside regularly over the summer and keep track of the kilometres - in a notebook, on your phone or with an app
3. Tell your friends and family what you're doing - you can ask them to join you too!

You can also find out about community walks taking place over the summer at

bath100kmchallenge.org



Thought of the Week

'When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he relented and did not bring on them the destruction he had threatened.' (Jonah 3:10)



Many of you will be familiar with the story of Jonah. If nothing else, you may remember the bit where he is swallowed up by a big fish - it's not clear whether this was a whale or not, but it would have been a pretty traumatic experience!

In the book of Jonah - he's got his own book - it says that after being 'spat out' (ew!) by the fish, he is told by God to go to the city of Nineveh and tell them that in forty more days, they would be "overthrown".

The main issue was that when Jonah was asked to do this the first time, he got on a boat going in the opposite direction. Jonah was concerned that if he went to Nineveh and gave them this message, they might repent and God would forgive them and not punish them.

Now, it might seem a bit mean of Jonah to behave like this. Surely he would want to warn the people so they would have a chance to change their ways and not get punished. But there was some history here.

We know that Nineveh was a scary place for Israelites because the people there did not like them, and they were often at war. Jonah may have been scared he would get hurt. However, when you read on in the story, it is clear that Jonah hated the Ninevites so much that he didn't want God to forgive them.

But Jonah does go the second time God asks him and when he tells them what would happen, the people of Nineveh do repent and even fast (stop eating) in the hope that God will relent and forgive...and he does and the people are saved.

Sometimes in life, we have to do things we don't want to. It may be an important decision you have to make, or you might have to have a difficult conversation with a colleague. Sometimes, like Jonah, our feelings might get in the way and this can make our "thing" even more difficult to do.

For Christians, this can mean telling others about how Jesus' death on the cross means that we can be forgiven and be in a good relationship with God. This message isn't always taken well and many can reject it, but that doesn't mean the conversation shouldn't be had.

Although it may be difficult and your feelings might get in the way, maybe that conversation needs to happen today...

