



Welcome back to the last term of the year. As always there is a lot going on over the next few weeks, including the Colour Run, Sports Day, the end of year production, transition sessions and much more. Please keep an eye out on the diary dates in the newsletter for any new dates and information.

We would like to welcome Thorin, who has joined Turtle Class this week in our Reception cohort after moving to the area. I know our children and staff will all make him feel part of the Farrington family.

In staffing news, our RE specialist Mr Marvin has been offered an exciting opportunity that will see him seconded to the Bath and Wells Diocese next year to support Church schools across Somerset. For Farrington, this sadly means that he will not be teaching in our school from September and therefore we are now looking at replacing him for the year. We will update you as soon as we have any news on this.

Seven of our Year 5 pupils, along with Mr Dix, have had an amazing experience in Greece this week. Alongside two of our other local primary schools, they have visited some of the famous sites and met school children from Athens. They have posted many photos from the week, but here are a couple of them. They will tell us all about their adventures when they return to school on Monday.



Mr Dix and Mr Turull

### Turtle Class fun at the Aquarium

Turtle Class had a fantastic day in Bristol on Thursday. The children enjoyed driving through the Centre of Bristol, taking in some of the famous sights of the city. They started the day with a river walk where we enjoyed the sights and sounds and watched the 'Matthew' sail along the river, along with many other boats. At the Aquarium they were mesmerised by the many wonderful creatures that can be found under the sea and what better way to dive into our learning this term. A highlight for many of the children was seeing the turtles of course! Turtle Class were brilliantly behaved and a joy to share the day with, their excitement and enthusiasm was infectious!





## Diary Dates

New / Changed dates in Blue

### June 2024

Mon 10th	Class Photos (and Year 6 leavers)
Tue 11th	Girls' Cricket at The Sulis Club, Bath
Fri 14th	Celebration Assembly (9:00am) <b>Colour Run</b> 2.30pm
Tue 18th	Year 6 Moving Up Celebration at Wells Cathedral (letter to follow)
Wed 19th	Year 5/6 Quadkids Athletics at St. Benedict's School (3:45pm)
Thu 20th	Cafe Service with Rev Pitt Village Hall
Mon 24th	Seal Trip to Roman Baths
Wed 26th	Sports Day (races from 1:30pm)
Fri 28th	Celebration Assembly (9:00am)

### July 2024

Thu 4th	Year 6 Transition Day
Wed 10th	Reserve Sports Day
Thu 11th	Dolphin Class Performance (afternoon)
Fri 12th	Dolphin Class Performance (evening) Reports out to parents
Tue 16th	Whole school trip to Longleat
Wed 17th	Year 6 Pilgrimage to Paulton
Thu 18th	Leavers' Service at St. John's Church (9:15am)
Fri 19th	Last day of term

## Notices

- **Clubs** - All clubs are running as usual next week.
- **Dinners** - please make your options for meals next term now via ParentPay.
- **Library events** - see [here](#) the link for exciting events happening in our libraries.
- **Music for Schools** - lessons start next week.
- **Whole school trip to Longleat** - please remember to consent/payment via ParentPay.
- **Year 6 Residential Trip 2025** - (current year 5's) please consent and pay the deposit via ParentPay by 28th June.

## Friends of Farrington Gurney

We continue to look forward to the colour run next Friday (14th June). Please collect any final sponsor's that you can!! We've started selling raffle tickets after school this week for one very lucky child to gunge Mr Dix after the colour run. Tickets are £1, please look out for us in the playground at pickup all next week!!!!

If any families have made a last minute decision to join the School Family Camping weekend (21-23 June) please see the last newsletter for details.

Save the date of the final day of term (19th July). We will again be organising an end of year party. Details will follow soon.



## Creative Employment Opportunity

Wednesday 12 June

18:30-19:30

Please see the event page [here](#)

# 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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## KEYNSHAM C.C. MULTI SPORTS HOLIDAY CLUB



Frank Taylor Memorial Ground, Keynsham, BS31 1HU

**Summer Holiday Dates 2024**  
9.00-3.30 every day

- 29th July - 1st Aug
- 5th - 8th Aug
- 12th - 15th Aug
- 19th - 21st Aug
- 27th - 29th Aug

**£20**  
a day



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**10 June**

### Keynsham Library

**Nature Trail for Kids**  
Mon - Sat During opening hours 10 - 15 June

**Baby Bounce and Rhyme**  
Tuesday 9.30 - 10.00am 21 May  
10.30 - 11.00am

**Centenary Storytime: The Very Hungry Caterpillar & Where the Wild Things Are**  
Thursday 11.00 - 11.30am 23 May

**Sensory Space, for families with children and young adults with sensory needs**  
Mon - Sat, Book a Session via Eventbrite

**Board Game Saturdays**  
Saturday 12.30 - 4.00pm 25 May

### Midsomer Norton Library


**Nature Trail for Kids**  
Mon - Sat During opening hours 10 - 15 June

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Monday 11.00 - 11.30am 20 May

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# FAHRENHEIT

*presents...*



**SUNDAY 23RD JUNE 2024.**

**FARRINGTON GURNEY MEMORIAL HALL AND PLAYING FIELDS.**

**Come join the fun!**

- FAHRENHEIT DISPLAY TEAM!
- RAFFLE • BBQ • FACE PAINTING •
- GAMES • SWEET STALL • BOUNCY CASTLE •
- BAR OPEN •

**AND MUCH MORE!**

Cam Valley Rotary 

## SUMMER SUNDAYS IN BATH

### WHAT'S ON

**JULY 2024**

- FREE CHARITY POP-UPS •
- FREE ARTS AND CRAFTS • MR DOODLE •
- MUSEUM LATE OPENINGS • LIVE MUSIC •
- GARDEN THEATRE FESTIVAL •
- BATH INDEPENDENT MARKET •
- BATH ON THE BEACH • BATH OLYMPICS •
- BATH VINTAGE & ANTIQUES MARKET •
- BIODIVERSITY BENCHES •

AND LOTS MORE...

**AUGUST 2024**

- FREE CHARITY POP-UPS •
- FREE ARTS AND CRAFTS • LIVE MUSIC •
- MUSEUM LATE OPENINGS •
- BATH ON THE BEACH • TREE WALK •
- BATH VINTAGE & ANTIQUES MARKET •
- MASS DOG WALK • MR DOODLE •
- BATH CITY ZIPLINE •
- BIODIVERSITY BENCHES •

AND LOTS MORE...

**EVERY SUNDAY SOMETHING DIFFERENT!**

### SUPPORTING LOCAL CHARITIES

• BATH IN BLOOM • JULIAN HOUSE • SHARE AND REPAIR • TRANSITION BATH •  
BATH ASTRONOMERS • BATH CATS AND DOGS HOME •



### Thought of the Week

***“What do you think about this? A man has one hundred sheep and one of them is lost. Will he not leave the ninety-nine and go to the mountains to look for that one lost sheep? If he finds it, for sure, I tell you, he will have more joy over that one, than over the ninety-nine that were not lost.”*** (Matthew 18: 12-13)



The Bible records a lot of what Jesus said, stuff that people still remember and quote 2000 years later. A lot of what Jesus had to say he told through parables

In Matthew 18, we are introduced to a shepherd. The Bible refers to sheep and shepherds quite a lot and it's interesting that 2000+ years later, there are still people who look after sheep.

In the parable, the shepherd has noticed that one of the sheep has wandered off. Now, we're not told what he does to make sure that the other ninety-nine sheep also don't disappear, but I imagine that he would have made sure they were secure.

The parable doesn't say what the shepherd had to do to retrieve the missing sheep, but it does say he went into the mountains. This would not have been an easy or safe journey. It is unlikely that the shepherd would have

been properly equipped either. When he found the sheep, it would have made his journey back down the mountains even more precarious.

So what does this parable mean? Who is the shepherd? Who is the lost sheep?

Most Christians would be familiar with the idea that Jesus is a good shepherd who cares for us, like a shepherd cares for his sheep. The parable is referring to those who might wander off by themselves, moving away from God and his love and protection.

What I think is so striking about this parable, is the lengths that the shepherd goes to, to rescue the sheep. Let's remember that this sheep chose to walk (or trot) off by itself, but regardless of this, the shepherd still does all that he can to rescue it.

Are there people you know who are lost? Friends or family who need to be guided in some way? Maybe someone you know needs to be "picked up" and taken care of, much like the shepherd cares for his sheep.

Or maybe you're someone who is feeling lost and needs some guidance? Don't hesitate to ask for help.

And if you are in a position where you don't need any help, then maybe you can just rejoice like the shepherd did.

