



F&B NEWSLETTER

Spring Term: Monday 23rd January 2023

Front Page News

NURSERY APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN NOW!

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please note that the date for the Jazzy Jar Dress down was incorrect of previous publication— see below for the correct date.

09/03/2023

PTA: Dress Down for Jazzy Jars

I hope this weeks newsletter finds you well. Please can I ask that if you are emailing in about your child being off sick can this be sent to admin@fandb.herts.sch.uk and not to the class teachers. This just ensures all records are kept accurate. Thank you for your cooperation.

Holiday Clubs:

- This February Half term we are able to announce we are hosting two clubs. A Multi-Activity Holiday Camp by our fabulous sports company. Please see the flyer later on in this newsletter for more information. **Simply click the link [here](#) to view the camp. If searching by the QR code below and enter your postcode, it will pop up with Fawbert and Barnard, then click view camps and scroll to the bottom to book the Multi-Activity Holiday camp. £24 per day: 9am to 3:30pm**
- The second club is an exciting Art and Crafts Club! This is being run on Monday and Friday of half term only. Please see the poster further down on how to book. £25 per day 9am to 3pm

Parent Inclusion Workshop 3: on Monday 6th Feb:

Sensory Strategies to support everyday routines: 'An overview of how children's senses can affect (positively and negatively) their everyday life and routines, and the strategies that can be put in place to support them with feeling comfortable in situations they may find challenging'.

Strike Action: we sent out a letter outlining the strike action that was announced nationally last week. **Please note that F&B and Readings will be open as usual on all days.** For more information see the letter sent on Wednesday 18th January 2023.



Census Day Winners:

Last week I shared that two children at random will be chosen as our Census Day Lunch time Winners. These pupils have been invited to a Hot chocolate and game session with Mr Wells this week. The winners are: **Aoife D, George KP, Emmeline H,**



Millie S, Kian G, Jia P, Bella E, Dolcie P, Hunter H, Alfie R, Gabriella H, Sophia P, Frank D and Mason K.

Secret Reader: If you wish to take part this term, be that your first go or returning for another read, please email secretreader@fandb.hert.sch.uk as soon as possible as dates are filling up fast!

Spring PSHE Newsletter: Please [click here](#) the link to read our termly PSHE newsletter by Mrs Potma

Parent Workshops: Please respond to the one question form to help up choose more effective start times for our in person workshops. [Click Here](#)

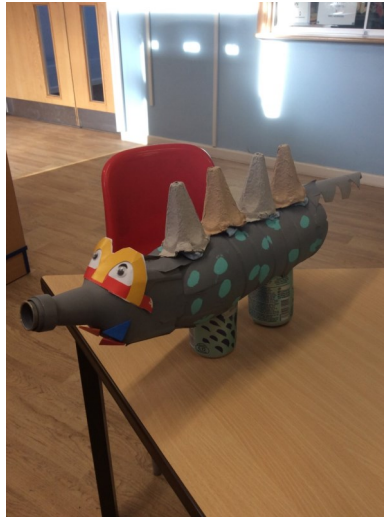
Thank you for your continued support of the school. Best wishes, keep safe and take care,
Mr L Wells, Headteacher

Eco Warriors New Mascot as voted by the school!

The three runners up were...



Design By Ben G — Oak



Design By Oliver C —
Oak



Design By Sophia L -
Magnolia

The new school Mascot is the design by...

A huge thank you to everyone who entered a 'Recyclosaurus Rex' model. They were all amazing which made the decision extremely difficult. After whittling it down to four finalists, the entire school made their final vote. A HUGE congratulations to Ellen in Maple class!

Please meet our new Eco Mascot...

From

The ECO-warriors x



Pilot Comes to Visit F&B

Reception's memorable experience this week involved having a special visit from Mr Brooker. Mr Brooker is a pilot for Tui and came to speak to us about his job role. We looked at the different types of planes he has flown, as well as learn about some of the button functions inside the flight deck. We had the opportunity to ask Mr Brooker questions to find out more. It was a great afternoon! Mr Brooker said: " the children asked such good questions and knew some amazing facts. One child asked "can planes fly through thunder storms?" Another said "the fuel goes to the engines to make them work"



Tables



We are excited to announce that we will be extending our TTRS across both Year 1 and Year 2 classes. This will allow the children the opportunity to not only practise their times tables but to also compete in Year group tournaments.

Mrs Brennan will be holding a lunchtime TTRS club on a Tuesday and this will begin on the 31st of January. Children from Year 1 and Year 2 will be given a rock star pass by their class teacher to, ensure all children have the opportunity to attend a session across the coming weeks.

Year 1 will receive an email regarding login details.





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MORE INFORMATION

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YOUR NEAREST MULTI-ACTIVITY CAMP

Venue: Fawbert and Barnard Infants' School - CM21 9AT

Dates: 13th - 17th February 2023

Times: 9.00am - 3.30pm

Price: £24.00 per day (10% sibling discount offered)

Ages: 5 - 12 (4 year olds can attend 9am-1pm)

Additional info: For any further information please contact us on 07803 725992

PLEASE BRING

- A packed lunch
- Plenty of water
- Suitable clothing
- Loads of energy!

Mix it up this half-term with our multi-activity holiday camps!

These camps are a perfect blend of activities for all ages, combining different sports with a variety of team games.

Every day is different, with a mix of fun activities that children may not have tried before – from roller skating to fencing, lacrosse to cheer.

Book now for a half-term full of fun!



TREAT YOUR FRIENDS
TO 20% OFF... AND GET
20% OFF TOO!

*Ts&Cs apply. Refer a friend discount on new bookings only.



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Art Club

A jam packed day
of fun and crafts

Monday 13th February

Friday 17th February

9am-3pm



Krafts ★ Kidz

At Fawbert and Barnard School

£25.00 a day

To book please contact

fayemorganwren@virginmedia.com

Strike Action Letter



Wednesday 18th January 2023,

Dear Parents and Carers,

We wanted to write to you to explain the outcomes of the strike action that was announced earlier this week. The news headlines are written to push a motive and rhetoric but they are generalisations and are not specifically about our school. This letter has been written in conjunction with F&B and Reedings. Both schools shall endeavour to follow the same action but this may not be possible. If this is the case we will share the differences as soon as we know ourselves. Irrespective of your or our personal views on striking, we wanted to share with you the national picture and how this may impact our two schools.

Do teachers need to inform schools if they plan on striking?

No, staff members aren't required to tell their employers whether or not they intend to strike.

What does the following information mean for Fawbert and Barnard and Reedings?

We will be remaining open as usual on each day, irrespective. How? Even if every teacher went on strike; due to the number of additional teaching staff we are fortunate to have, we have enough staff to remain open. All pupils will be expected to therefore attend.

The National Situation: The NEU members have voted to hold strikes. No other teaching union, including the Headteachers' union, has voted for strike action. NEU is the largest teaching union and as such may impact all schools.

National Reasons: Beyond the most widely published reason for inflation linked pay, the core reason many teachers may choose to strike is the historical shrinking of the education budget in real terms over the last decade. This coupled with higher than informed pay rises by the Department for Education (DfE) and increase in wider costs means that desperately needed funds once used to support the education of pupils are having to be diverted to cover these increasing costs etc.

When the strikes are: These strikes are regional, so our school(s) may be affected by up to 4 of them. The ones in bold are in our geographical area.

- **Wednesday 1 February 2023: all eligible members in England and Wales.**
- Tuesday 14 February 2023: all eligible members in Wales.
- Tuesday 28 February 2023: all eligible members in the following English regions: Northern, North West, Yorkshire & The Humber.
- Wednesday 1 March 2023: all eligible members in the following English regions: East Midlands, West Midlands, Eastern.
- **Thursday 2 March 2023: all eligible members in the following English regions: London, South East, South West.**
- **Wednesday 15 March 2023: all eligible members in England and Wales.**
- **Thursday 16 March 2023: all eligible members in England and Wales.**

Both Mr Wells and Mrs Newton will continue to keep in contact with you, if and when any further information comes to light. If you have any questions please contact your respective school office.

Many Thanks

Mr L Wells and Mrs R Newton

Dates for Next Term

January 2023	
Spring Term 1	
INSET Day - 05/01/23	
09/01/2023	PTA - Tickets for Film Night Go on Sale. Film Night is 27/01/2023
09/01/2023	Fawbert and Barnard Nursery Tour (1) @ 09:30
10/01/2023	Local History Walk Year 2
10/01/2023	Year 1 Tea Party - Mayor Visiting
12/01/2023	Fawbert and Barnard Nursery Tour (2) @ 09:30
13/01/2023	PTA - Dress Down Tombola
15/01/2023	Application Deadline for Reception 2023 and Year 3 (including Readings)
16/01/2023	Nursery Application Window Opens - Via Link on our website
17/01/2023	Fawbert and Barnard Nursery Tour (3) @ 09:30
18/01/2023	Fawbert and Barnard Nursery Tour (4) @ 09:30
19/01/2023	School Census Day! Dinner time Raffle two per year group - includes those who have pack lunch!
23/01/2023	Special PE event Launch Assembly - sponsorship letter going home
26/01/2023	Fawbert and Barnard Nursery Tour (5) @ 09:30
26/01/2023	Trip: School Councillors Fawbert and Barnard with Readings to The Houses of Parliament
27/01/2023	PTA: Film Night! (Please note Football that evening has been cancelled)
06/02/2023	PE Special Event and Guest
06/02/2023	Parent Workshop: Inclusion - details to follow.
06/02/2023	PTA - Start of the Silver Coin Challenge - Ending: 28/02/2023
06/02/2023	Year R End of Topic - please look out for more information in your year group newsletters
07/02/2023	Year 1 End of Topic - please look out for more information in your year group newsletters
08/02/2023	Year N End of Topic - please look out for more information in your year group newsletters
09/02/2023	Year 2 End of Topic - please look out for more information in your year group newsletters
Half term 13th to 17th February 2023	
23/02/2022	PTA: Bags2School - drop off.
28/02/2023	PTA: Silver Bottle Challenge Ends
09/03/2023	PTA: Dress Down for Jazzy Jars
10/03/2023	Nursery Application Closes
13/03/2023	Rock Steady Concert
20/03/2023	Nursery Allocation Day
20/03/2023	Parent workshop: Inclusion
21/03/2023	Parents Evening - more details to follow - book via Arbor
23/03/2023	Parents Evening - more details to follow - book via Arbor
27/03/2023	PTA: Break the Rules Day



PRESENTS

F&B

Film Night

Friday 27th January 2023

Reception, Yr.1 & Yr.2 only

Straight from school until 17:30

(Children booked into JAM will be taken to JAM at 17.30)

£5 per child. Ticket includes a drink and a substantial snack

SAVE THE DATE! Option to sign up opens after Christmas!

Parentkind
Member Association



FILM NIGHT

SAWBRIDGEWORTH EVANGELICAL
CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH CM21 9EH

Make Lunch

Come and join us for fun, games, crafts and a
hot lunch!

We are here to support families needing a helping hand throughout the school holidays.



SCAN ME

Wednesday 15th February 2023
11:30 - 13:00

To book your place, scan the QR code or:

email: makelunch@secchurch.org.uk or phone: 07549006777

Term Dates 2022/2023

[Please click the link here: to find this years academic dates](#)

Additional Bank Holiday 8th May 2023—Coronation of King Charles III



Fawbert and Barnard Infants School Academic Year 2022-2023

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School days	School holidays	INSET Day/Occasional day	Bank Holiday	Weekend
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In addition, schools allocate five non-pupil days out of the school days indicated, or the equivalent in disaggregated twilight sessions.

Autumn Term:	Monday 5 th September 2022 – Wednesday 21 st December 2022 Monday 19th September- Bank Holiday for the State Funeral of HM Queen Elizabeth II Half Term 24 th October – 28 th October
Spring Term:	Friday 6 th January 2023 – Friday 31 st March 2023 Half Term 13 th February – 17 th February
Summer Term:	Tuesday 18 th April 2023 – Friday 21 st July 2023 Half Term 29 th – 2 nd June



MOVIE & Prosecco NIGHT

FRIDAY 3RD FEBRUARY

TICKETS
£11 PP



**AFTER
PARTY**

WITH DJ TO THE
CELEBS

DJ ROB!!

PROSECCO BAR

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FOR ANYTHING ELSE BYO £15 CORKAGE WILL BE CHARGED

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