

# F&B NEWSLETTER

Spring Term: Monday 27th March 2023

## Front Page News

This week is **3** of the dinner menu

Dear Parents and Carers,

This term has seemingly flown by! And what a term it has shaped up to be! Please make sure you have booked into the Sports Camps this Easter by clicking [here](#)—spaces are now going fast!

This week we have out end of topics for Year R, 1 and 2 to look forward to!

- Year R: Monday 27th at 14:30
- Year 1: Thursday 30th at:14:30
- Year 2: Tuesday 28th at:14:30



We have already held Nursery's of which there are photos further in this weeks newsletter.

**Reminder:** Please note that we finish at **2pm on Friday 31st March** for the Easter Break. We will open again for pupils on **Tuesday 18th April 2023.**

**Last week:**

- Thank you to all parents who attended Parents Evenings of Tuesday 21st and Thursday 23rd of March. It is always a joyous time to share in the progress of our learners and for them to share their work with you.
- The Year 1s were Zoologists and took to a coach on an adventure to Colchester Zoo! Pictures within!
- We have had a Tennis Taster Session for Year 2, 1 and Reception. An opportunity to explore the sport, the skills needed to play and hopefully inspired pupils to potentially take it up—especially girls. Following the Lioness winning the World Cup, it highlights the importance for everyone, boys and girls to have an equal push in all sports throughout their schooling.

**Music Mark:**

We would like to share the exciting news that Fawbert and Barnard has successfully been awarded the Music Mark. In recognition of a commitment to providing high-quality music education for all children and young people. A huge congratulations to all the staff and pupils who work hard to ensure the opportunities are rich and varied. And we must share an additional well done to Mrs Atukorala who is our Music Subject Lead: her hard work and dedication to the subject has supported the school to achieve this award again.



### Montessori: The 'Favourable Environment'

Following on from the aspect of 'Prepared Environment' we have covered over the last few weeks, we turn our focus to the the role of the adult. The adult's role within our classroom environments is to ensure our pupils have opportunities to grown and learn with the resources available. They should have freedom to explore within limits of the set classroom boundaries (e.g. our golden rules). Our classroom staff continuously monitor the indoor and outdoor environments to ask the question "Is it good enough?" We check resources have all the correct parts and we consider what the pupils are enjoying and learning from and then

### EYFS:

This week's skill is from Maths. The spindles teach children to associate loose quantities with fixed symbols. This activity reinforces the concept of zero and introduces them to the symbol for zero.



Mr L Wells, Headteacher

## Lunch Times: Play Ground Markings

Small World Road Map



Fred The Frog: Phonic Pads



Two new Hopscotch Games



At break, lunch times and lessons pupils have these fabulous playground markings for pupils to use. At lunch we have Zone 1: **Activity zone** which has skipping, balance boards, beams, ball/rackets and the Activity boards etc. Zone 2: **Quiet Zone** where we have art, reading, writing, construction, small world and role play. Zone 3: Space to run and hoopla hoops. Zone 4: **The Adventure Trail!** Zone 5: **The field and daily Mile.** All children can use any section they wise.



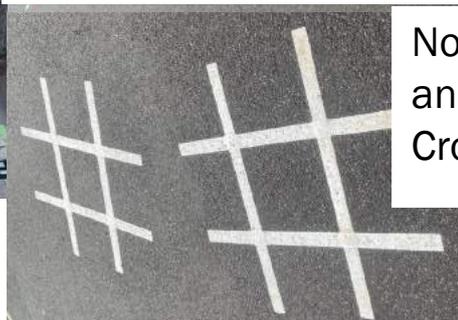
Activity Board



A train shaped 10's Frame: [Click here to see how we or you might use them.](#)



Two Number lines to 25



Noughts and Crosses

# An Art and Design and Technology (DT) Update by subject lead. Miss Ancient

Pupil voice: We are very creative here at F&B. The children are so enthusiastic about art and the creations they make.

We learnt about a graffiti artist called Banksy – no one knows if it's a man or a woman, but they like to paint on walls. I liked pretending to be one!

Year 1

We've been learning about Lowry. He uses primary colours, red, blue, and yellow in his paintings. Sometimes his buildings are

I love making piggies – cutting them out of pink paper squares and then sticking them on a plate.

Reception



Vincent Van Gogh – Starry Night  
Mark making, Year 2

The children have been enjoying learning about different artists through our artists of the half term.

After they learn about an artist, they create a piece of art work in their style learning a different skill each time. Here are some they have looked at and their creations inspired by them.



Banksy – Graffiti Year 1

They have been enjoying developing their drawing skills in their art books, sometimes through observations of real life. Drawing is important as it helps develop children's dexterity which also helps develop things like their handwriting abilities.

I like drawing as I like making pictures for all my family.

Reception



Observational Teddy Sketch - Reception



Animal Sketching – Year 1

In our staff workshops the teachers have been revisiting what the difference between Art, and DT is. They have been testing their knowledge to see if they know key vocabulary and the meanings

DT has a practical purpose/function. Art is only has to exist, Designs have to solve problems, while art should provoke thought and emotions.

## Art or DT?

Art



DT



Do you know the difference between Art and

## Secret Reader

### These were our Secret Readers from last week:

"Hazel class were a pleasure to read to. They couldn't decide which of my two books to read but we were lucky enough to have time for both. This is my second time as Secret Reader and I think it's a great thing to be able to do"

**Sarah D**



"Apple class were so lovely to read to and had loads of questions about the book and what was going to happen next. I loved it and Sam was happy to see me. Thanks for the opportunity"

**Yolanda U**



"It was so wonderful to see their surprised little faces. Thank you for having me."

**Rachel G**



I had a wonderful time reading to Oak class and my Granddaughter Lottie was super excited to see me. Thank you for the opportunity it was truly lovely.

**Jan J**



I had a great time reading 'Show and Tell' to Maple class. I hope I did well enough to be invited back!!

**Alex B**



## Staff book recommendations

Each week, to spread the love of reading, a different member of staff will share what their favourite picture book is and why. Mrs Stephenson is up this week, please see below. We have a copy of the book she mentions, if anyone would like to borrow it to read at home.

"I bought this book for my daughter when she was little – it was one of the first stories I read to her so it is very special to me. When I bought it I didn't even know that the main character is called Sophie and that's the name of my little girl"

**Mrs Stephenson**  
Teaching Assistant, Hazel class



# Nursery End of Topic Celebration

Thank you to all the grown ups (and siblings) who came along to our End of Topic last Thursday. The children enjoyed singing for you and reciting their poem (which they remembered so well) and showing you all the fantastic work they have done over our 'Are Eggs Alive?' topic. Well done Sapling class!



# Year 1: Oak Class at the Zoo



# Year 1: Maple Class at the Zoo



Maple Class had a wonderful day at Colchester Zoo and enjoyed seeing all the different animals!

Jaxon shares his birthday with Dara the White Rhino Calf.



# Dates for Next Term

January 2023	
Spring Term 1	
23/02/2022	PTA: Bags2School – drop-off.
28/02/2023	PTA: Silver Bottle Challenge Ends
28/02/2023	Ducklings Arrive in Nursery
07/03/2023	Science Workshop – Whole school!
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
23/03/2023	Year N End of Topic
24/03/2023	PTA: Uniform Sale
27/03/2023	PTA: Break the Rules Day
27/03/2023	Year R End of Topic
28/03/2023	Year 2 End of Topic
30/03/2023	Year 1 End of Topic
<b>EASTER BREAK from 03/04/2023 to 14/04/2023</b>	
<b>INSET DAY: 17/04/2023</b>	
18/04/2023	YEAR 2 SATs parent workshop being led by Mr Wells at the school at 09:00 and at 17:00. A recording will be uploaded and shared
02/05/2023	EYFS: Bug Visit
04/05/2023	Parent Workshop: Relationship and Sex Education for Parents being led by Mrs Potma
01/05/2023	BANK HOLIDAY SCHOOL CLOSED
08/05/2023	BANK HOLIDAY SCHOOL CLOSED—King's Coronation
09/05/2023	Parent Workshop: Being Historians being hosted by Miss King
15/05/2023	Inclusion Workshop 5
15/05/2023	Year 2 Super Star Breakfast arrival at TBC
16/05/2023	Year 2 Super Star Breakfast arrival at TBC
17/05/2023	Year 2 Super Star Breakfast arrival at TBC
18/05/2023	Year 2 Super Star Breakfast arrival at TBC
22/05/2023	Walk to School Week
22/05/2023	Year R End of Topic
24/05/2023	Year N End of Topic
25/05/2023	Year 1 End of Topic
25/05/2023	Year 2 End of Topic
26/05/2023	<b>INSET DAY: SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
<b>26/05 to 02/06 May Half Term: School Closed</b>	

There  
will be  
cake...



Mrs Jones and the Inclusion Governors  
invite you to...

## F&B Parent Voice Event

Thursday 4th May  
2- 3pm

As the year moves forward we would love to hear your views on the things you feel are going well for you & your child and anything we can improve on.

RSVP: [inco@fandb.herts.sch.uk](mailto:inco@fandb.herts.sch.uk)

THE FRIENDS OF REEDINGS AND F&B



**WEAR**  
your own  
**CLOTHES**  
day

21st April 2023

Wear your own clothes in exchange for a coloured raffle item in preparation for our Rainbow Raffle later in the year.

Nursery - Red	Year 3 - Blue
Reception - Orange	Year 4 - Purple
Year 1 - Yellow	Year 5 - Pink
Year 2 - Green	Year 6 - White



*\*Please ensure any perishables have long best before dates (30/06/2023).*

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Member Association

# 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.

<b>Autumn Term:</b>	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2022 – Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2022 <span style="background-color: yellow;">Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September - Bank Holiday for the State Funeral of HM Queen Elizabeth II</span> Half Term 24 <sup>th</sup> October – 28 <sup>th</sup> October
<b>Spring Term:</b>	Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2023 – Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023 Half Term 13 <sup>th</sup> February – 17 <sup>th</sup> February
<b>Summer Term:</b>	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2023 – Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2023 Half Term 29 <sup>th</sup> – 2 <sup>nd</sup> June

Easter Half Term: Click the Poster below



We are excited to announce that we will be running a Holiday Club at F&B this Easter Holiday!

OFSTED registered Out of School Provision for children aged 4-11 years old

Run by our highly qualified and experienced team  
Sessions from 8am-6pm Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday £45  
All Childcare Vouchers & Tax Free Childcare payments accepted

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discount

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