



# F&B NEWSLETTER

Autumn Term: Monday 2nd October 2023

This week is 2 of the dinner menu

Dear Parents/Carers,

**PTA: Please attend the PTA AGM, taking place at F&B School Hall - 3rd Oct with a start time of 8pm.**

**Parent workshop: Please find the recorded version of the F&B way parent session on the school website along with all previous parent sessions delivered by the school.**

Please ensure that you have seen the Secret Reader email, where you can book a slot to come into your child's class and share your passion for reading with them and their peers. Dates start from the 8th October. A brief review: It is an opportunity to come into the class and read a story to them, sharing and modelling a passion for reading and stories. This can be in English or any language you choose! Remember that it can be any significant person in the child's life. Parents, Grandparents, Uncles, neighbours: anyone who means something special. If you do not get a slot this term, please continue to look out for the following terms release dates.

**Reminder:** Please know that following a bout of sickness or Diarrhoea: pupils must be off for **48hours** following their last episode.

## Well done Mrs Stephenson



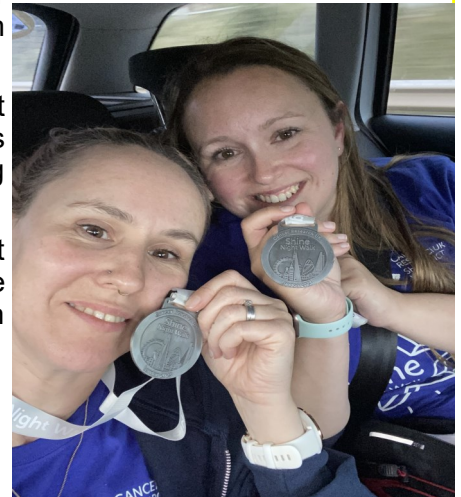
Please can you join the school in congratulating Mrs Stephenson on raising £325 in donations, with more still coming in. Thank you to everyone who has supported and donated: every penny counts! It was greatly appreciated.

She said: "It took me 9 hours to walk the 26.2 miles with my sister, raising money for Cancer research UK, in memory of our Auntie who passed away earlier this year from bowel cancer."

Completing a task is taxing and a significant effort: They said that "the atmosphere was amazing, with music coming from bags, singing and chatting."

Doing this marathon over night is a great achievement. Mrs Stephenson shared that "the night, with lack of sleep, was long but it was an amazing experience and so worth while."

Well done!!



## Messages From The Office

- **Friday 6th October** : Individual School Photo's - please ensure your child is in correct full uniform.
- **Parents Evening** : Please book your appointment via Arbor (if you have not already done so)
- If your child will be absent from school for **sickness - you must inform the office** by either leaving an answerphone message or emailing [admin@fandb.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@fandb.herts.sch.uk) before 9am on the day of sickness leaving a reason for your child's absence. **Please do not just say "unwell", as a specific reason needs to be included on the attendance register.**
- If your child will be absent for anything other than illness or a medical appointment - you must **complete a leave of absence form for them and hand into the office.** Please complete this form, even if it is just 1 day your child will not be in school.
- **Look out for information coming soon re:** Ordering your F&B pupil self portrait Tea-Towel, Break The Rules Day, Children In Need, Christmas lunch order, Christmas performance ticket ordering.

Thank you, Helen & Rebecca

# NUMBOTS

## NumBots in Year 1

The children in Year 1 have now all been given login details for NumBots.

NumBots is an online game and playing little and often will significantly improve your child's recall and understanding of number bonds and addition and subtraction facts. These are critical foundations in maths.

Mrs Brennan and Mrs Smith will be launching it on Monday and we are sure the children are going to be very excited to meet the NumBot Crew!

An email will be sent out with further details on this.

<https://numbots.com/schools/>



Year 1, have really enjoyed using Numbots and have worked hard to pass each level and upgrade Rusty!

I collected new characters when I passed the levels. Arthur in Otter

I really liked it and I got the legs for Rusty! Charlie in Otter Class

I was excited to upgrade my outfit and learn new things. Carter in Gecko Class



I really enjoyed using my numbers. Alfie in Gecko Class

I used my computer and I logged on straight after school. Joshua in Otter Class

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## Dexter the Bear



Lydia has really enjoyed having Dexter come and stay with us this weekend.

On Saturday he joined Lydia at Youth Create where he did lots of singing and dancing. After that he had a trip to the park and a go on the swings. He also completed the Town Walk and collected all his stickers and took part in lots of the games.

On Sunday he went to visit Lydia's great-nan (and snuck a ride on the stairlift) and did some drawing with Lydia and her sister.



# Trips and Extra-Curricular Activities 2023—2024

## Trips and Enrichment Opportunities:

We have a number of wonderful trips, visitors, special events planned across the year. Some will be familiar to you because they continue to provide excellent learning opportunities but other will be new. This is to allow our curriculum to evolve and develop along with our pupils. We will always be mindful of cost to ensure all pupils have the opportunity to attend. We will be using Arbor for payments of trips. As always, we ask all families to pay for the trips but if there are ever any challenges around this, to contact the school.

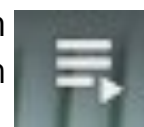
Club	Year Group (s)	Dates/Times	To book please contact
French	R, Year 1 & 2	Tuesdays, 15:15 to 16:00	<a href="mailto:rachelpovey560@btinternet.com">rachelpovey560@btinternet.com</a>
French	R, Year 1 & 2	Wednesday 08:00 to 08:45	<a href="mailto:rachelpovey560@btinternet.com">rachelpovey560@btinternet.com</a>
Spanish	R and Year 1	Monday 15:15 to 16:00	<a href="mailto:sylviadiazmar@gmail.com">sylviadiazmar@gmail.com</a>
Spanish	Year 2	Monday 08:00 to 08:45	<a href="mailto:sylviadiazmar@gmail.com">sylviadiazmar@gmail.com</a>
Choir	Year 2 (Currently)	Thursday 08:15 to 08:45	Bookable via ARBOR
Gardening	All years	Monday Lunch Times	Self selected: Free choice during Lunch time
Happy Hearts	Year 1 and 2	Lunch Times	Self selected: Free choice during Lunch time
Numbots Times Tables Rock Stars	R, Year 1 and 2	Lunch Times	Self selected: Free choice during Lunch time
Football	R and Year 1	Monday 15:15 to 16:15	By clicking the link: <a href="http://www.premier-education.com">www.premier-education.com</a>
Tennis	R, Year 1 and 2	Tuesday 15:15 to 16:15	By clicking the link: <a href="http://www.premier-education.com">www.premier-education.com</a>
Multi-Sports	R, Year 1 and 2	Wednesday 15:15 to 16:15	By clicking the link: <a href="http://www.premier-education.com">www.premier-education.com</a>
Gymnastics	R, Year 1 and 2	Thursday 15:15 to 16:15	By clicking the link: <a href="http://www.premier-education.com">www.premier-education.com</a>
Football	Year 1 and 2	Friday 15:15 to 16: 15	By clicking the link: <a href="http://www.premier-education.com">www.premier-education.com</a>

## F&B Curriculum

To find out more about what you child will be learning next year: [please click here and scroll down to the bottom to see the topic web for each term. It will share the key learning, skills and vocabulary.](#)

To enhance any learning and discussions at home about your child's learning you can have access to all key vocabulary flash cards that directly link to the learning by clicking on any [subject page](#) on the website and selecting the Vocabulary Cards page (found at the side on a website or at the bottom on the page from a mobile phone)

Over the last year we have organised a number of [parent workshops](#) all of which can be found [here](#). To choose a video you just need to click on the symbol with three lines and a triangle. Please see image bottom right hand side as an example.



# Term Dates 2023/2024

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



## Fawbert and Barnard Infants School Academic Year 2023-2024

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<b>School days</b>	<b>School holidays</b>	<b>5 INSET Days/ 1 Occasional day</b>	<b>Bank Holiday</b>	<b>Weekend</b>
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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 4 September 2023 – Wednesday 20 December 2023 <i>Half Term 23 October – 27 October</i> <i>School Occasional Day 01/12/2023</i>
<b>Spring Term:</b>	Thursday 4 January 2024 – Thursday 28 March 2024 <i>Half Term 19 February - 23 February</i>
<b>Summer Term:</b>	Monday 15 April 2024 – Tuesday 23 July 2024 <i>Half Term 27 May – 31 May</i> <i>May Bank Holiday - 6 May</i>



Join us for an evening of menopause awareness on **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 6.30-8pm.**

Menopause affects everyone: we will all know someone close to us who will go through it, even if it's not something we're going to go through ourselves. Whilst the majority of women start to experience symptoms from around the age of 45, this can happen sooner, so knowing what to expect now can really help prepare for menopause and reduce any concerns you may have about it.

Sarah Evans, former parent and governor, has set up Fuerte Consulting with the aim of increasing menopause awareness for women and encouraging employers to offer more training and support to menopausal women in the workplace. Having already offered training to staff on menopause awareness, Sarah has offered to run a session to raise funds for the PTA and share the training with parents/ carers and friends of the school.

The session will run for around 1.5 hours and will cover:

- What is the menopause/ peri-menopause
- What are the symptoms
- Treatments
- How to have discussions with your GP

There will be the opportunity to ask questions and share experiences, but no pressure to do so!

Tickets cost £3 per person and funds raised will go towards the PTA.



**[FOR TICKETS CLICK HERE](#)**



You can purchase your tickets for this event on

Arbor

(under school shop tab)

**COFFEE  
BOX**

# **BABY MEET UP**

**0 - 12 MONTHS**



**EVERY WEDNESDAY 9 - 10.30 am**

**BOOK NOW TO GET 20% OFF ANY HOT DRINK AND SLICE OF CAKE**

**EXPECTANT MUMMIES WELCOME**



# Jam Childcare October Holiday Camp at F&B

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Tuesday 24th -  
Thursday 26th October

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Full Day 8am-6pm - £45  
School Day 9am-3pm - £30  
20% Sibling Discount

★ Please email us at  
[admin@jamchildcare.co.uk](mailto:admin@jamchildcare.co.uk)  
to book your sessions

\*For Children in Reception to Year 6\*

PRE-LOVED ITEMS AWAIT YOU  
AT THE FRIENDS OF REEDINGS  
AND F&B



# SECONDHAND UNIFORM SALE

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**5 October**

**3:15-3:45**

**In the school playground**

**£2 for fleeces and school shoes  
£1 for dresses, trousers and jumpers**

**Payment can be made by cash or card**