



F&B NEWSLETTER

Autumn Term: Monday 13th November 2023

This week is week 1 of the dinner menu



On Friday 24th November there will be an Usborne book sale in the Learning Garden from 3pm. A great chance to grab some Christmas presents. These books have been kindly donated by the late Fenella Bateman (a year 2 mum). All money raised is being donated to both F&B and Reedings to purchase new books for the school libraries. There will also be collection jars for any donations for Isabel Hospice, where Fenella was so well cared for.

Sawbo Books



A massive congratulation to everyone at F&B, particularly Miss King who led and drove the hard work which has led F&B to be the Hertfordshire School of the year but also Regional School of the year! Next step the National Awards in March!

Fawbert and Barnard's participation in Modeshift aims to secure increased levels of safe, active and sustainable travel our education and a community settings. We do this by building the important messages in our curriculum, hosting and leading events that provide opportunities for pupils to have an active participation in helping their local community and ensuring they understand that can have an impact! We striving towards a world in which communities are free to make healthy and sustainable travel choices where active travel is seen as the norm!

BRINGING THE BEST IN CHILDREN AND FOR CHILDREN

Christmas KIDZFAIR

3rd December, 2023
Bishop's Stortford,
Jackson Square

www.kidzfair.co.uk

Aged 7-17? Apply now!

Earn money,
learn how to turn your ideas
into business,
get prizes and recognition
from our judging panel +

We introduced you to 'kidzfair' last year and it is a really successful charity for children. In the December event quite a few children from our community will join with their business ideas. It's wonderful to see children so happy. This year we also might have a celebrity attending.

Lest We Forget!



LEST WE FORGET





Dear parents,

You might be aware that next week is Anti Bullying Week. Anti Bullying Week takes place in England, Wales and Northern Ireland and this year's theme is 'Make a noise about bullying'. Bullying is Several Times On Purpose (S.T.O.P)

At F&B we prefer the more positive title of 'Friendship Week' and the teachers and teaching assistants have a range of activities planned for the children. Each class will talk about making and keeping friends, about what makes someone a good friend, about what bullying is and who to go to when you are worried, hurt or upset. Please spend some time at home to talk about friendship week and bullying at home.

The Anti-Bullying Alliance (ABA) and its members have a shared definition of bullying based on research from across the world over the last 30 years.

ABA defines bullying as: "The repetitive, intentional hurting of one person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an imbalance of power. It can happen face to face or online."

There are four key elements to this definition: hurtful, repetition, power imbalance and intentional.

Bullying behaviour can be:

- Physical – pushing, poking, kicking, hitting, biting, pinching etc.
- Verbal – name calling, sarcasm, spreading rumours, threats, teasing, belittling.
- Emotional – isolating others, tormenting, hiding books, threatening gestures, ridicule, humiliation, intimidating, excluding, manipulation and coercion.
- Sexual – unwanted physical contact, inappropriate touching, abusive comments, homophobic abuse, exposure to inappropriate films etc.
- Online/cyber – posting on social media, sharing photos, sending nasty text messages, social exclusion.
- Indirect – can include the exploitation of individuals.

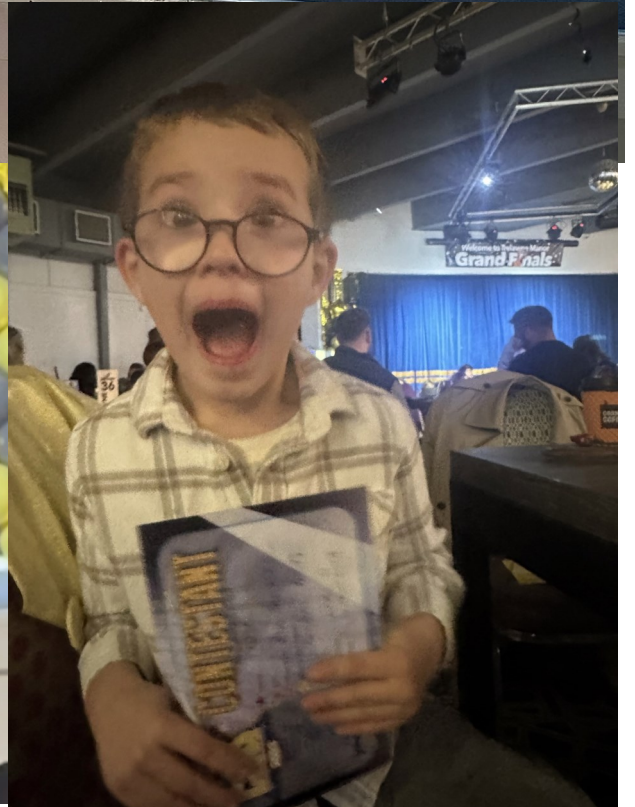
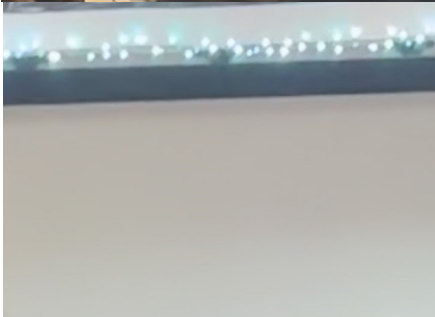
Bullying is not: a one off fight between equals, a falling out between friends, hurting someone accidentally or borrowing something and forgetting to return it.

Thank you for your continued support.

Grand Finals

Here is a few snaps of Alfie in Cornwall at the weekend. He won a talent contest in holiday back in April, then got through the heats and the finals this weekend telling facts about animals. Although he didn't win, he loved taking part.

A nice 12 hour around trip for the family!



**JOIN US
FOR
FESTIVE
FUN**



**Sustainable Sawbridgeworth
and The Friends of Reedings &**

F&B are hosting a

Sustainable Christmas Decoration Workshop

**25th Nov at Church House 2pm - 5pm
before the Christmas light switch on**



£3 entry per child; make 3 sustainable Christmas decorations, plus a tasty treat. Plus, Christmas jumpers, traybakes, cookies & drinks on sale



Dexter the Bear

Dexter had a very busy weekend this week, he supported Sam by helping him practice his numbers and then we went out for a lovely afternoon tea. On Sunday, Dexter helped us prepare for Sammy's pre birthday celebrations and was even caught tucking into a bowl full of crisps!

The weekend ended with a lovely bedtime story, which both Sammy and Dexter enjoyed very much.... A lovely weekend was had by all, thank you Dexter!

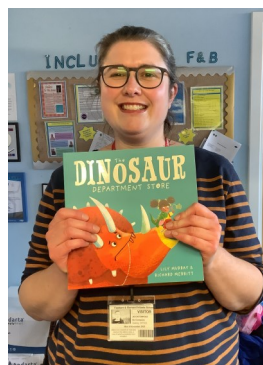


Secret Reader



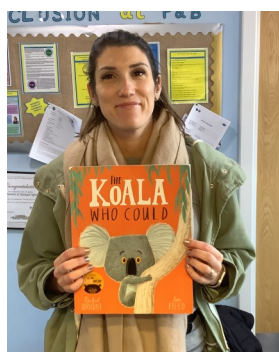
"I really enjoyed being Secret Reader to Panda class today. 'Alan's Big Scary Teeth' seemed to be well received and it was lovely to see Roo's little face smiling when I walked in. This is such a nice thing to be part of—thank you for having me"

Chris M



"Thank you Squirrel class for making it so much fun to come in and share one of my favourite books with you and for telling me your favourite dinosaurs."

Jo C



"It was so wonderful to read to Koala class today. They sat and listened beautifully. I don't think Max could quite believe it was me! Thank you for having me"

Kate B



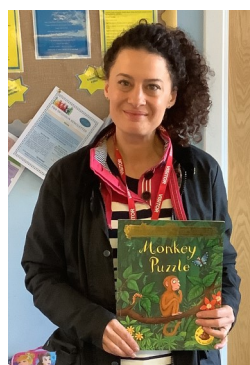
"Today I had the opportunity to read to a combined Panda and Kangaroo class in year 2. It was a very energetic story with lots of the children joining in. A really lovely experience".

Kerrie R



"It was lovely to read to Otter class—they all listened really well. Tallulah was very happy for me to read one of her favourite stories to all her friends"

Lottie G



"It was wonderful reading to the Hedgehogs today, and lovely to see my little one's face when he saw me. All the children sat and listened really well, it was such a lovely experience."

Victoria S



"I really enjoyed reading to Lake and his classmates, the children listened well and joined in at various points. They were incredibly polite. A lovely experience and would really recommend doing it."

Samantha P

English Focus on Oracy: Poetry and rhymes

'The Swing' by Marchette Chute

*The wind blows strong and the swing rides free,
And up in the swing is me, is me,
And the world goes rushing by,
And one of these days I'll swing so far
I'll go way up where the sea birds are
And plant my feet on the sky*

We would like to encourage you to share this at home too. If your child is particularly keen, they may want to practise and recite it to me in school! Any pupil who chooses to do this will receive a special sticker.
Mrs Brooker (English Subject Lead)

October Half Term – 23th – 27th October	
30th October	Year 1 Special Event: Planetarium
1st November	New Reception and Year 3 parent County Council applications open
2nd November	School Council: Houses of Parliament Trip.
2nd November	Reception Screening for pupils born September to March
3rd November	PTA: Break the Rules Day
8th November	Inclusion Workshop: Q&A with a Speech and Language Therapist @ 10:45
10th November	Joint Readings and F&B Memorial Event for Year 2- Year 1 and R to be held at F&B
13th November	Lantern Material Request to parents for Church
13th November	Joint Event: Readings and F&B Friendship week
14th November	Reception Special Visitors: Owl Visit
15th November	Optional Flu Jabs –PM
15th November	Set 1 Sounds: Read Write Inc. Phonic Parents Workshop Online book on ARBOR @19:30
16th November	Year 2 Allsorts Trip
17th November	Children In Need and Cake sale: Email to follow
20th November	Geography week
24th November	Lanterns to be displayed at St Mary's church or taken home
27th November	Parent Workshop 2: Speech, Language & Communication bookable on ARBOR
30th November	Special Magical Visitors for all pupils! Shhh!
1st December	Non-Pupil Day—school closed
4th December	External Panto coming to F&B
7th December	Christmas Performance – EYFS Tots allowed at 09:30
7th December	Year 2: to visit Readings to see Christmas Show
7th December	Inclusion Drop Ins & Parent / Governor Social 14:00 to 15:00– Hall in use.
8th December	Christmas Performance – Year 1 and 2 Tots allowed at 09:30
11th December	Christmas Performance – EYFS no tots at 09:30
11th December	Year 2 Allsorts Trip
12th December	Christmas Performance – EYFS no tots at 14:00
13th December	Christmas Dinner and Festive Jumper Day
13th December	Set 2 and 3 Sounds: Read Write Inc. Phonic Parents Workshop Online book on ARBOR @19:30
14th December	Christmas Performance – Year 1 and 2 no tots at 14:00
15th December	Christmas Performance – Year 1 and 2 no tots at 14:00
18th December	RockSteady and School Choir Concert – Year 1 and 2
20th December	Christmas Donkey Visit for all pupils
20th December	Special Festive Visitor
20th December	School ends at 14:00
Christmas Holidays 21nd to 3rd January	



CHRISTMAS
HOLIDAYS

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Term Dates 2023/2024

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Fawbert and Barnard Infants School Academic Year 2023-2024

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