

# F&B NEWSLETTER

Autumn Term: Tuesday 12th March

This week is week 3 of the lunch menu

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful time we had last Thursday for World Book Day! The costumes from both the children and staff were amazing, we hope the children enjoyed the day as much as we did!

This Friday (15th March) we will be supporting **Comic Relief** - the children are invited to come in non-uniform and wear something that makes them feel happy. Children can also learn a funny joke, poem, story that they may wish to share with their class on the day. We will also be having a special assembly and there will be activities taking place in class during the day too!

If you would like to support us with our fundraising - you can either make a donation on our Just Giving page or we will be taking cash donations on the day. As always, thank you for your support!

[Please click here for our Just Giving page](#)

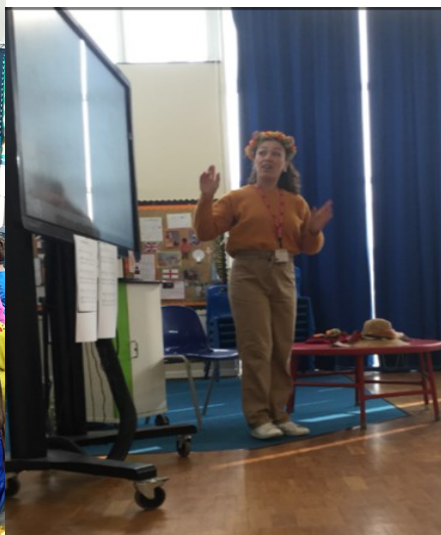
## One way Montessori is used at F&B

This week's skill is from Maths. The 'Short Bead Stair' helps the child understand the concept of quantity in a very 'concrete' way, as they can feel it, count it, and organise it. Using two short bead stairs the children can combine the beads to add small amounts up to 20 together. This exercise shows the child a concrete way of doing addition using the tactile sense.



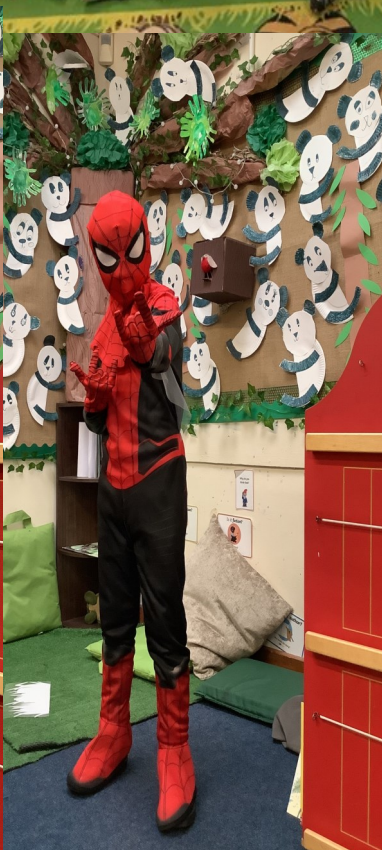
## World Book Day

A big thank you to Samia - one of our Reception parents who is a children's Author and came in to share her book in assembly with the children!





# World Book Day





## Dexter



Ralphie loved having Dexter for the weekend. He met the family and our two cats Celo and Star and came out for pizza.

Saturday Dexter watched Ralphie play football cheering him on and saw some other friends from F&B.

In the afternoon while Ralphie bounced at urban limits and soft play Dexter relaxed in the car. Straight after he felt hungry and went out for a Chinese.

Sunday Dexter celebrated Mother's Day with us. We all went out for brunch. Dexter got to come and visit Ralphie's Nanny.

Dexter loved playing basketball ball with us. In the evening he really enjoyed movie night with popcorn.

Before bed he joined in our bedtime story then snuggled up to sleep with Ralphie.

Thank you for coming to stay Dexter, we have all loved having you.

## Secret Reader / Poetry recital

	<p>"Lovely experience reading to Hedgehog class, they enjoyed listening to "The Gruffalo's Child", and wanted me to read it again!"</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Natalie N</b></p>		<p>"It was a pleasure reading to Panda class today. They listened so nicely and it was lovely to see Oliver's face."</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Nicola C</b></p>
	<p>"This will be talked about in our house for weeks. Ezra's face was so happy! Brilliant idea!"</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Tyson D</b></p>		<p>"Such a great opportunity to read to the kids, who listened so well and asked many questions. They also enjoyed seeing Wyatt's baby Brother."</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Macaila V</b></p>

### Focus on Oracy: Poetry and rhymes

Learning poetry is something we are focussing on this year at F&B. Through enjoying rhymes, poems and songs, and reciting poems or parts of longer poems together as a class, we can build children's strong emotional connection to language. The predictability of rhymes in poems and songs also helps children to memorise and re-use newly acquired words and phrases.

***Top tip: When your child is saying the last line of the poem, it can help to signify that it's the end by a slight pause before the last word and then lowering the tone of their voice for the last word. This way, everyone knows when to clap!***

This fortnight's poem has been chosen by Mrs Jones and is one that uses British Sign Language. Here is a link to an online video on Cbeebies: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N1w9eq0IRIM>  
Please encourage your child to add expression and actions!

<p><b>I wish I was a pirate (by Tony Bradman)</b></p> <p>I wish I was a pirate With a long beard hanging down A cutlass dangling from my belt My teeth all black and brown</p>	<p>A parrot on my shoulder A patch upon one eye A pirate ship to sail on A pirate flag to fly</p>
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# 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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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.

<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>

THE FRIENDS OF REEDINGS AND F&B PRESENTS

# BREAK the RULES DAY



## Rules to be broken include:

1. Bring one small treat snack
2. Bring in a named soft toy
3. Wear non-uniform
4. Wear nail varnish
5. Have wacky hair e.g. dyed hair/gelled up hair

All profits will go towards the PTA

Here's how it works:

## When?

Fri 22nd March  
2024

Parentkind  
Member Association

Rules cost £1  
each,  
payable via  
Arbor.