

## HEADS UPDATE from Amanda Seager

This is the last update of this academic year, and what a year it has been! There is always so much packed into a school year that it is no wonder the children (and staff!) are feeling weary as we approach the summer break.

In some ways it feels like no time at all since we waved the Year 4 children off on their residential and welcomed our new reception children into Sunshine and Rainbow at the beginning of last September. In week two of the year we experienced an extremely successful Ofsted inspection, which validated the excellent standards of education and care across the school. We have continued to build upon this, ensuring that our standards remain high at all times. Alongside our high expectations, we are fully committed to ensuring that life at Trinity is fun, and that the children all have plenty of opportunities to try a wide variety of different things. We want to make sure that every child has the chance to shine, whether that is in the classroom, on the sports field, on the stage or on the playground.

The progress all of the children have made this year has been fantastic. Whatever they are doing, and wherever they are, the children always do their best. We love to take them out and about in the community and to welcome visitors into our school because we know that the children will always do us proud. Our Leavers' Concert on Monday evening was a brilliant example of this. The children were outstanding throughout, their singing was absolutely stunning and they spoke with such confidence. These are children who had a tricky start to school life with regular interruptions in their first few years due to the pandemic. The cohort also includes lots of children who do not naturally find school the easiest place to be. However, I could not have felt prouder of them than I did on Monday night. It is testament to their hard work, and to the dedication of our staff team that they have been able to achieve as they have done.

I have the fortune to lead an incredibly gifted and committed staff team. Trinity staff care so deeply about the children and always make every effort to ensure that everything is the best that it can be for the children. Everyone on the Trinity team – the cleaners and caretaker, the office staff, our volunteers, the lunchtime supervisors, the IG team, the support staff and the teaching staff (including Mrs Crawley, our amazing SENDCo) works tirelessly to provide the very best we can. These staff are very deserving of their summer break, and I am sure you will join me in wishing them the rest and relaxation they need over the next few weeks.

Trinity First School isn't just the children and the staff. We are so lucky to have an amazing community of parents (and grandparents!) around us, and without your support our job would be so much harder than it is. I am truly grateful for everything you do. I know that the summer break brings its challenges to families in different ways and I hope you are able to enjoy the next few weeks without the rigour or the school run at least.

For the families returning to us in September, I look forward to reconnecting with you all then. For those families moving on, thank you for being part of our school. You will be missed!

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## DIARY DATES

Term Dates 2023/2024

### July

Tue 23<sup>rd</sup> Break up for Summer

### August

Fri 16<sup>th</sup> FOTFS Uniform Sale 4-6pm,  
School Playground

### September

Tue 3<sup>rd</sup> First Day Back to School

### October

Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> Last day of Term 1

## School News

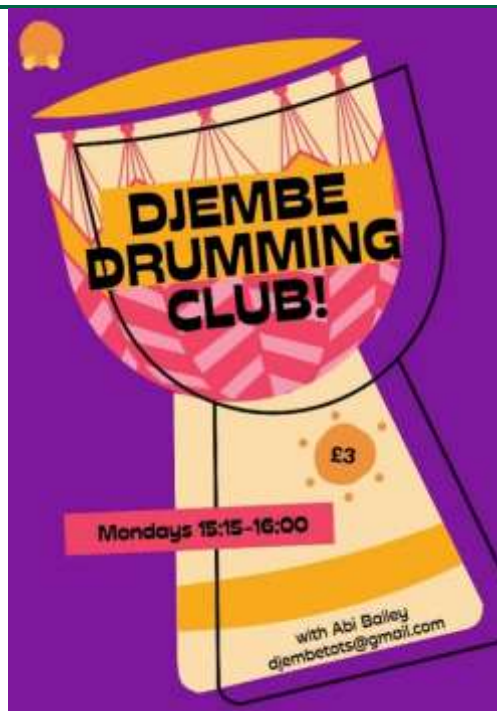


### Timetable change for September

Thank you to the parents who have spoken to us with concerns regarding the slight change to our school day from September. We absolutely recognise that reducing the amount of time the gate is open in the morning presents a challenge. The change in times represents a change to the working hours of staff and although five minutes may seem insignificant, we are not being given increased funding to meet the requirement to provide a longer school day, and as I am sure you are aware, school budgets are already very stretched. However, we are keen to do what we can to reduce the challenge of shorter window in the morning.

To that end, in September, we will trial a **one-way system for access to school**. This means everyone will **enter the premises using the double gates to the main playground when they open at 8.40am**. For parents coming onto site with their children, we ask that you walk around the building and **exit our site through the gate by the school office**. Mrs Seager will **close the double gates at 8:45am** and make her way to the other gate, which will remain open until at least **8:50am**, enabling parents to have time to pass on important messages to school staff when needed.

We will monitor the situation and adapt it as we feel necessary, and where and when it is possible.



### After School Club

Starting Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September - to Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October. Please email Abi to book your child's place. [djembetots@gmail.com](mailto:djembetots@gmail.com)

### Goodbye Year 4s



As the Year 4 children in Gorse and Pine get ready to move on to their next school, we want to say a big farewell and we wish you all lots of luck. It's been a pleasure having you at Trinity.

### End of Term



The last day of term is next **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July**. We hope all our families have a great Summer and we look forward to seeing everyone back on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September**.

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## End of Year Message

from Friends of Trinity First School

Another incredible year of fundraising here at Friends of Trinity First School.

We'd like to say a massive thank you firstly to Mrs Seager and the whole school team for supporting our endeavours and always being open minded.

To local businesses who have sponsored our events this is invaluable to us as a charity and makes a huge difference.

To those that have volunteered at events from throwing powder at runners, to cake baking and tea making, we would not be able to hold events without you!

To our small but incredibly dedicated team, I've heard a few times this year people having the impression we are a massive organisation, there are only seven of us! Thank you for the continued time commitments and sacrifices you make to put on some truly wonderful events!

And finally to you, if you have supported any of our events. We continue to be blown away by the generosity of our community, you make it all worth it!

We have lots of ideas of how to put this wonderful money to good use next year as well as ways to shakeup our event calendar. Our AGM will be held towards the beginning of next term - we'd love to see you there!

**Abz Crossley - Chair.**

## This year we have raised



## And we have bought...



**Friends of Trinity First School**

**PRELOVED UNIFORM SALE**

**Friday 16th August**  
**4 - 6pm**

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## Reminders

### Staff for September 2024

#### Class Teachers

#### Sunshine - Reception

- Mrs Sandquest (Mon-Tue)
- Mrs Griffin (Wed-Fri)

#### Rainbow - Reception

- Mrs Wheeler (Mon-Wed)
- Mrs O'Connor - (Thur-Fri)

#### Beech - Year 1

- Miss Morris

#### Chestnut - Year 1

- Mrs Williams

#### Oak - Year 2

- Miss Rutt

#### Maple - Year 2

- Miss Flower (Mon-Tue, Alt Wed)
- Mrs Godsave (Alt Wed, Thur-Fri)

#### Pine - Year 3

- Mrs Solway

#### Sycamore - Year 3

- Mrs Platt (Mon-Wed)
- Mr Reid (Thur-Fri)

#### Willow - Year 4

- Mr Davies

#### Hazel - Year 4

- Mrs Mondahl (Mon-Wed)
- Mrs Thompson (Thur/Fri)

#### Wraparound Staff

#### Kites Staff

Miss Singer, Miss Armiger, Mrs Sawyer-Power, Mrs Kirtley, Mrs Butler (Fri only).

#### Trinity Plus Staff

Miss Singer, Mrs Fry, Miss Hopkins (Mon & Fri), Miss Armiger (Tue-Thu), Mrs Partridge (Mon-Thu), Miss Davies (Fri).

## Summer Reading Challenge

To find out more about this year's challenge, please visit <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>



## MN Midsummer Norton SP Schools Partnership

## Lunches from September

The new menus will go live on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July. Lunches will still be ordered through ParentPay with a new deadline of midnight Thursday of the week prior to taking them. You can order as far in advance as is available on the system. If the deadline is missed, a packed lunch from home will have to be provided as to reduce waste **no spare meals will be available.**

All children in reception, years 1 and 2 will still receive a Universal Infant Free School Meal (UIFSM). If your child is moving up to year 3, meals will now have to be paid for in advance. The cost of a KS2 meal is £2.80 per day.

If your year 4 child is going to Hooke Court from the 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> September please do not order a meal during that time.

If you have any queries regarding ordering during the school holidays please take a look at the following link: [ParentPay Parent Support](#)

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## Reading Awards



From September we will be introducing a new system to recognise the reading the children do at home. The aim will be to become a Rainbow Reader during the five years each child is at Trinity. Every time they have completed 100 reads at home, they will be awarded a badge in line with the colours of the rainbow - red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet. There will still be certificates at intervals between the badges, and a golden reader award after the rainbow is completed. We hope our new system will enable all children to have something to keep working towards year on year, and something which all children can achieve during their time here. As you know, reading at home and at school are equally important for developing early reading skills and a love of books and we look forward to enjoying your continued support with our new system.

## Class Names from September

Just a reminder of the new class names from September:

- Poppy will become **Beech** class
- Jasmine will become **Chestnut** class
- Gorse will become **Sycamore** class
- Holly will become **Willow** class
- Bramble will become **Hazel** class

The other classes will remain as they are. This will give us Sunshine and Rainbow for our Reception classes and then all other classes will be named after trees, in line with our school logo.

## Celebrating Birthdays



We love to celebrate the children's birthdays with them in school, but from September we will no longer be able to share sweets or cake with the class at the end of the day. Instead, we invite the children to come into school on their birthday in mufti (with their birthday badge if they have one and wish to wear it) as a treat. If a child's birthday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, during a school holiday, or on a whole school mufti day, they can wear their own choice of clothes on either the school day before or the next school day after. Thank you for your support.

## Regular Notices



### Wraparound

**Bookings for Term 1  
(2024-2025 Sept-Oct)  
are open to all for new bookings**

**Please make all bookings and amendments through your ParentPay account by clicking on your child's name and selecting the Clubs menu.**

**Kites** - Bookings are open until 10pm the day before to enable one-off bookings/cancellations.

**Trinity Plus** - Bookings are open until 8am on the day to enable one-off bookings/cancellations.

**Please can we kindly remind parents to collect on time and to pre-book your child's place, as there are limited numbers to ensure a safe pupil to staff ratio.**

If you have any questions, please email [Sarah.Hockley@trinityfirstfrome.co.uk](mailto:Sarah.Hockley@trinityfirstfrome.co.uk)  
(working Wed 12.30-3.30pm and Fri 9am-3.30pm)



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## Swimming - Year 3



Just a reminder for Year 4 (Holly and Bramble) parents that payment for Term 5 (April/May) and Term 6 (June/July) is now available to pay through ParentPay. If you are a Trust Fund pupil, you can use your funds to pay for swimming. Just email the office so we can check your balance and arrange this for you. Thank you.

## Celebrating Achievements

Has your child received an award through a club or group (sports/cubs/brownies/dancing) out of school?



Please tell your child's Class Teacher by Thursday afternoon at the latest so we can celebrate their achievement in our weekly stars assemblies on Friday morning.

## Local Events

**CARNIVAL SUMMER CLUB**  
scrap carnival - reusing junk to play zamba funk!

make & play instruments!  
design & create costumes!  
ages 7+

**BOOK NOW!**  
July 30th & 31st, 10am-3pm  
Avanti Park School, Frome  
£70 per child (2 day course)  
email: [Abi.Bailey@trinityfirstfrome.co.uk](mailto:Abi.Bailey@trinityfirstfrome.co.uk)

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# The Trumpet

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**Frome Children's Festival**  
SUN 21 JULY  
11am - 5pm  
at The Cheese and Grain through to Welshmill Park

**FREE FAMILY FUN**  
and accessible activities

BOOK NOW!  
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Frome YPF CHEESE & GRAIN



**FAMILY HOLIDAY**  
SUMMER 2024  
13 days of fun activities in Frome  
for families in need of support.

Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> July	10am to 1pm	Arts and Crafts with Nature	New Road Park, Hillside Drive, Frome, BA11 5AS
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> July	10am to 2pm	Fun outdoors including zip wiring and campfire cooking—Transport available	The Old Quarry, Witham Friary, Frome, BA11 5HD
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> August	10am to 1pm	Family Cookery	Trinity Church Hall, Trinity Street, Frome, BA11 3DE

Free Fair Frome lunch served at each session.

**BOOKING ESSENTIAL** - contact [RebeccaHarrison@purpleelephant.org.uk](mailto:RebeccaHarrison@purpleelephant.org.uk) to book a place or ask your school or support worker to refer you

Adults to accompany and remain responsible for their children at all times.

Family support workers available at all sessions.

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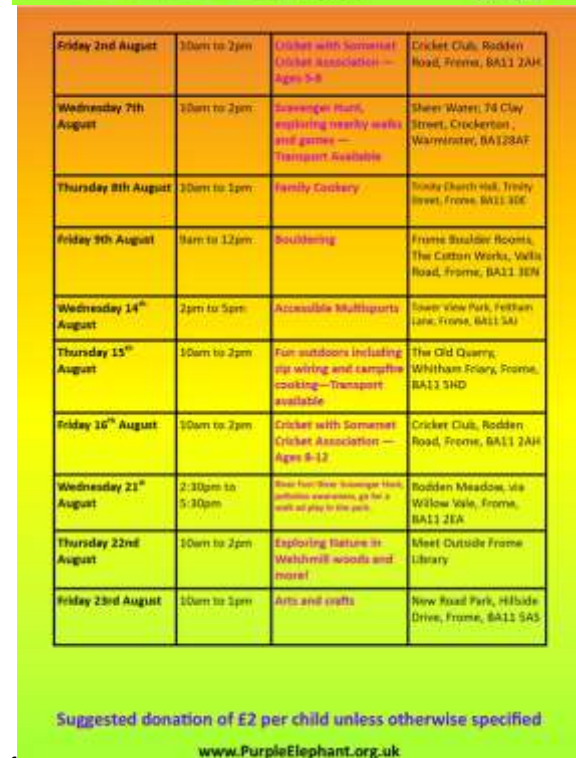
**FROME MUSICAL THEATRE COMPANY**  
**SPELLBOUND 2024**  
PRODUCTION OF  
**ROALD DAHL**  
**CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY**

BOOK BY DAVID CRIC  
MUSIC BY MARC SHAIMAN  
LYRICS BY SCOTT WITTMAN  
MARC SHAIMAN

BASED ON THE BOOK BY ROALD DAHL  
SONGS FROM THE MOTION PICTURE BY LESLIE BRICUSSE AND ANTHONY NEWLEY

**8TH TO 10TH AUGUST 2024**  
Performances at 7pm each evening and matinee Saturday at 2pm  
01373 462795 [www.fromememorialtheatre.org.uk](http://www.fromememorialtheatre.org.uk)  
Box Office Monday to Saturday 9.30am - 1pm  
Tickets £12 Concessions £11 Under 16's £10

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Friday 2nd August	10am to 2pm	Cricket with Somerset Cricket Association — Ages 5-8	Cricket Club, Rodden Road, Frome, BA11 2AH
Wednesday 7th August	10am to 2pm	Scavenger Hunt, exploring nearby walks and games — Transport Available	Sheep Water, 26 Clay Street, Crockettan, Warrminster, BA128AF
Thursday 8th August	10am to 1pm	Family Cookery	Trinity Church Hall, Trinity Street, Frome, BA11 3DE
Friday 9th August	9am to 12pm	Bouldering	Frome Boulder Rooms, The Cotton Works, Wells Road, Frome, BA11 3EN
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> August	2pm to 5pm	Accessible Multi-sports	Lower View Park, Feltham Lane, Frome, BA11 5AJ
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> August	10am to 2pm	Fun outdoors including zip wiring and campfire cooking—Transport available	The Old Quarry, Witham Friary, Frome, BA11 5HD
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> August	10am to 2pm	Cricket with Somerset Cricket Association — Ages 9-12	Cricket Club, Rodden Road, Frome, BA11 2AH
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> August	2.30pm to 5.30pm	Free Fun Fair (except on school holidays) for a well-earned play in the park	Rodden Meadow, via Willow Vale, Frome, BA11 2EA
Thursday 22nd August	10am to 2pm	Exploring Nature in Welshmill woods and more!	Meet Outside Frome Library
Friday 23rd August	10am to 1pm	Arts and crafts	New Road Park, Hillside Drive, Frome, BA11 5AS

Suggested donation of £2 per child unless otherwise specified

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## Summer Forest Club



**Full day sessions  
fuelled by nature  
at our beautiful  
woodland camp**

**MAVERICK**



Your children can take part in games, shelter building, fire making, cooking delicious food over the fire, wood crafting, storytelling and more, while being curious about what the woodlands have to offer.



**Dates:** 31st July, 1st, 7th, 8th, 14th & 15th August  
**Venue:** Ammerdown Woods, Nr Frome  
**Time:** 9:30am - 4pm  
**Ages:** 7+  
**Max group size:** 14  
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