

Newsletter 28 Friday 28th April 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have had a good week.

Yellow Lines

Today I wrote to all parents regarding the changes to drop off and pick up due to the yellow lines being installed on St Johns Road. These changes will take effect next week from Tuesday 2nd May. Please ensure that you have read the letter as it outlines where your children will need to be collected from. Please do bear with us in the first week as we all get used to a change in routine!

Walking to school remains the preferred option as it is better for the environment, healthier and creates less traffic. Thank you for your ongoing support.

School Council



The children's School Council play an active role in the school. This week the School Council met with Tricia Carrington, one of our chairs of governors. Kayla Anderson, the Chair, talked Tricia through the School Council's school development plan and how this made a positive impact on school life. This has included working WWT on the pond area, Y6 Play Champions, new class names and our recent art competition.

FOSS Meeting

Next FOSS meeting will be on Wednesday 3rd May at 8pm at The Tudor Arms. FOSS are still accepting donations of books, particularly titles for older children, thank you.

Attendance

The Government defines the threshold for Persistent Absence as 90% attendance. This may sound good attendance but a persistent absentee child misses 10% or more of their lessons in a year - that's 19 days of school a year! As a school, we are expected to follow up any student who falls below this attendance rate and support the student and their parents to improve upon this.

Clearly this may include students who have had a serious medical condition and, in these cases, there will already have been clear communication between home and school on a regular basis with supporting medical evidence. However, some students have sporadic absences that build up over the year

The following table shows the number of school days per year missed at different percentages of attendance.

190 SCHOOL DAYS IN EACH YEAR (0 days absence) 190 days for your education	180 DAYS OF EDUCATION 10 days absence Over 50 hours of lost learning	171 DAYS OF EDUCATION 19 days absence 95 hours of lost learning	(Half a term missed) 161 DAYS OF EDUCATION 29 days absence (half a term) 142.5 hours of lost learning	152 DAYS OF EDUCATION 38 days absence 190 hours of lost learning	143 DAYS OF EDUCATION 47 days absence 235 hours of lost learning
100%	95% Attendance	90%	85% Attendance	80%	75% Attendance

Art Installation and Competition

Imogen Harvey-Lewis joined us in school this week judging the entries for the art competition. Imogen was so impressed by the high-quality of art in the school and said what a challenge it was to choose! Well done to everyone who entered. Imogen announced the winners in Star Assembly this week. Alfie Y1, Henry Y2, and Poppy Hu Y4 will all have their individual designs recreated by Imogen. Then, Stanley Y1, Benji YR, Willis Y2, Charlotte Y3 will have their designs combined by Imogen. Whilst Oscar Y5, Rory Y3, Dexter Y3, Cooper Y3, Ellen Y3, Sophie Y5, Cerys Y5, and Lauren Y3 will also have their bird based designed combined to create an outfit. Some are included over the page.

Have a lovely bank holiday weekend,

James Taylor

Term 5 Monday 17th April - Friday 26th May					
Date	Class	Event			
Monday 1st May	Whole School	BANK HOLIDAY			
Tuesday 2nd May	Whole School	Coronation Hula Hoop Workshop			
Thursday 4th May	Y2	Robinswood Hill Trip			
Friday 5th May	Whole School	Coronation Tea Party			
Monday 8th May	Whole School	BANK HOLIDAY			
w/c 8th May	Y6	KS2 SATs Week			
Wednesday 10th May	Y1/Y2	Trip to WWT Slimbridge			
w/c 22nd May	All Children	Mental Health and Wellbeing Week			
Wednesday 24th May	All Children	Leavers' and Class Photos			
Wednesday 24th May	Class 4	Trip to Puddleditch Farm			

Letters and information for events will be sent out in due course.



Cerys Year 5

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Join us at:

Slimbridge CC, GL2 7DB

Sessions will run: Sunday 7th May - 25th June

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Session timings: 10am - 11am

For any questions please email: slimb

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