



## Newsletter 51 Friday 13th September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the new school year. We have thoroughly enjoyed spending time with your children over the last week and getting to know all about the fun they had over the summer holidays. The children have settled well into their new classes and have arrived looking so smart in their new uniforms and school shoes. It is also great to see some of the new logo sweatshirts—they look fantastic. All designs of sweatshirts and cardigans are still welcome. We also have a selection of second hand jumpers if anyone would like additional items.

Kind wishes, Mrs Lisa Hillman

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### Welcome to the reception children

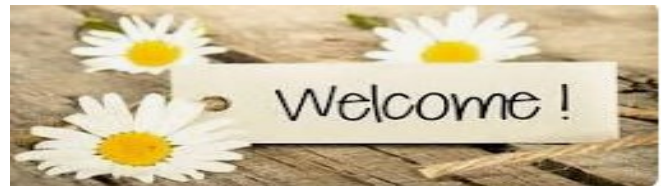


Well done to all the reception children who have joined us this year. All of the children are settling well into school life and have been super brave leaving their parents. They have had fun playing in the outside areas with the trucks and diggers and making games with the dinosaurs. I am really impressed that so many of the children know dinosaur names. Thank you to all the parents for helping this transition run so smoothly by changing work patterns to accommodate the phased start. This helps us to assess all of the children and ensure they are settled and happy.

### Staffing 2024/25:

We welcome back Miss Wilkins, who has returned from a sabbatical and is now working in Y5/6 alongside Miss Glover.

Mrs Jones is our new lunchtime supervisor, working every day of the week, for the full lunch hour.



Mrs Jones is also kindly volunteering in the library to help organise and sort our books.

### Parental Enquiries

We are always happy to answer parental queries. Please direct these in the first instance to your child's teacher, who will do their best to answer your question. Queries are best made either through tapestry, or our new class email system. We have noticed that office enquiries are becoming overwhelming and this is meaning that Mrs Rymer has an ever increasing workload. To help us, please could you email or message your child's teacher for any educational related queries, rather than telephoning or visiting the office in the first instance. You are also welcome to talk to your child's teacher at the end of the school day. It would also help immensely, if children could arrive at school on time and not be taken out of school before 3:15 p.m. Early collections and in the middle of the day collections really disturb the children's learning. When your child leaves during a session, it disturbs the whole class. Thank you for your understanding.

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**avocetclass@slimbridge.gloucs.sch.uk (Mr Ford)**

**heronclass@slimbridge.gloucs.sch.uk (Miss Beale)**

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**(Miss Glover)**

**Term 1 2024-2025**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Event</b>
23.9.24	Whole School	INSET DAY
25.9.24	Y1/2	Mrs Toms Class Information Session
27.9.24	Whole School	Hedgehog talk from the hedgehog hospital and cake sale
9.10.24	Y5/6	Police Visiting School to start mini-police project
14.10.24	Whole School	Parents' Evening
17.10.24	Whole School	School Photographs
21.10.24	Whole School	Parents' Evening
24.10.24		Flu Vaccine
25.10.24	Whole School	Last day of school before half-term. School finishes at 3:15 p.m.
28.10.24-1.11.24	Whole School	Half-term Holiday
4.11.24	Whole School returns to school	