

# May Newsletter

May 2025

## Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy few weeks we have had in school! Many of the classes have already enjoyed trips to the Wetlands and Redwood Forest School. We are so proud of all of our children, whose behaviour has been exceptional during these visits. Thank you to parents for dropping off and collecting from the venues, as this really reduces the cost of transport meaning that the trip can be free for everyone.

**School Uniform:** We have lots of free school uniform, which is available on the front playground or at the reception entrance every home-time. Please help yourself and if you can donate any clothes hangers, we would be grateful, especially if you have hangers for trousers and skirts. Also, please could all parents make sure that their child's uniform is named.

## A-la-la-la-laddin

The drama club students, along with Mrs Carter, Mr Ford, Mrs Davies and Miss Messenger are already working hard to bring you a fantastic performance of A-la-la-la-laddin later this year.

Mr Ford will send out more information as the date grows nearer, but from what we can hear from the rehearsal room so far, you will be in for a treat!

## Parish Council Visit

Four members of Slimbridge Parish Council came to school to meet with the School Council and enjoyed a school dinner. They were incredibly impressed with our lunch routines and enjoyed the delicious food.

It brought back a lot of memories for some of the Parish Council, who were happy to share how the school has changed.

It also gave the chance for both sides to ask questions about school subjects and to discuss how we can continue to develop our involvement with the Parish Council through future events.

## Play Leaders

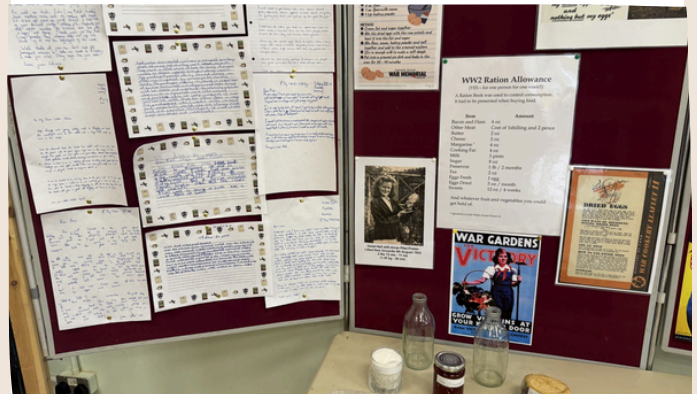
Play Leaders, led by Miss Beale's Class, is now in full swing in the playground. Thanks to the kind donation from Kerry Foods, we have bought a box of play equipment for every day of the week.

Play Leaders have been trained to organise the equipment and to make sure it all gets handed in at the end of lunch-time. A big thank you to Miss Beale and the Class 4 children!



## VE Day Celebration

We would like to take a moment to thank everyone for their support in making VE Day such a memorable and meaningful occasion. The church service at St. John's was truly moving, and I know many will agree that it captured the spirit of the day beautifully. A special thank you to Mrs Carter, whose hard work in putting together the narration and music brought everything together so powerfully. It was a perfect balance of reflection, remembrance, and celebration. A lot of work and effort went into making this happen – thank you! We are very grateful to the history society who supported this event and Vicar Graham for leading the service.



Thank you also to Miss Beale, who led the standard into the church and then with the Year 5 children, into the Village Hall – a symbolic and respectful gesture that set the tone so well and brought a tear to many an eye.

A big thank you to all the teachers, support staff, and parents, who helped both before and on VE Day. The bunting and written work used to decorate the Village Hall showed what incredible talent and creativity our children have. Thank you to the bunting team in school: Mrs Waterfield, Mrs Gough and Ann McDonald. VE Day was a team effort in every sense, and we are so proud to be part of a school community that works together with such care and enthusiasm.





## SATS

In the week of the 12<sup>th</sup> May, Year 6 students completed their SATS.

We are so proud of the resilience all the students have shown during this time. They have worked really hard and have still found time to laugh!

We would also like to thank everyone who provided the wonderful breakfast items for the students each morning. It was a great way to start the day and helped ease exam nerves. The children worked incredibly hard and we are extremely proud of them all.

## Readathon

Thank you to everyone for their support and donations. It has now officially been closed and as a school we raised an impressive **£456**.

We look forward to sharing with you how we will spend the Scholastic vouchers the school will receive for taking part.

## Redwood

This month, Class 2 visited Redwood. They took part in lots of fun activities, including, searching and learning about forest animals, pond dipping, den building, whittling wood sticks, and most excitingly, toasting marshmallows! They had an amazing time and were so excited to share their experiences with us. Thank you to the parent helpers too!





Term 2  
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## Dates

Date	Class	Event
After School Club Sports Focus: Tuesdays  3:15-5:00 p.m.	This is an After School Club facility for wraparound care which is part of enhancing our After School Club provision.	Sports Club running at school The following slots are available: 3:15 - 4:30 pm £7.00 3:15 - 5:30 pm £10.00
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Mr Ford's Class	Redwood Trip
26.5.25-30.05.25	Whole School	Half Term Holiday
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Whole School	Return to school for second half of summer term
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	New to reception	Parents' Meeting 7pm in the school hall
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Miss Beale/Mrs Malkin's Class	Redwood Trip
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Athletics Club	Field Event at Rednock 4pm-5pm
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Athletics Club	Track Event at Dursley Primary 5pm-6:30 pm
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Class 2 and 3	Three Counties Show Trip
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Y6	Meeting about the PGL Residential for parents 3:15-4pm
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Mrs Baird's Class	Redwood Trip
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Mrs Gough's Class	Redwood Trip

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Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Whole School	Film night in school hall - times to follow
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Whole School	Sports Day Parents invited in the afternoon - times to follow
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Drama Club A-la-la-la-laddin	1:15 p.m. Afternoon performance 6p.m Evening performance
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Whole School	Summer Fete - times to follow (after school)
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> -Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6	PGL Liddington Residential
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> -Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Y4 & Y5	OAA Activities Package (in school and at WWT)
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	KS1 Disco	Disco KS1 4:30-5:30pm
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2 Disco	Disco KS2 6:00-7:00pm
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Whole School	Whole school trip to Wetlands
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Whole School	Summer Term ends at 1:30 pm