

Don't forget, we break up on **Friday 9th February** and the children are due back in school on **Monday 19th February**

The girls and boys football team have both represented the schools brilliantly in the recent Gloucester 5 a sides. We took an A and B team to the girls competition with both teams performing admirably. The boys also did brilliantly, making it through to Fridays finals night where they eventually lost in the semi finals.



Ready, Steady, Read!

We are offering a course to year 2 and 3 to help you support your child's reading. This will run from Monday 19th February 1-3pm for 6 weeks. Your child will join you for the second hour. To book your place please contact Sue Amos.



Costumes and Props Art Group

Parents are invited to join in our fun art class on a Tuesday between 1-4pm, with your child joining you at 3pm. For more information, please contact Sue Amos.



School Gates are open in the morning between 8:35 and 8:55am. Anyone arriving after this time will need to sign in at the Office.

Our Athletics team has represented the school brilliantly in recent weeks. On the 10th of January, 22 children went to Bentham to compete in the Sportshall Indoor Athletics. They all competed brilliantly and represented the school with distinction, their efforts culminating in being crowned champions of Gloucester. This achievement took us through to the county finals which took place on the 5th of February where we finished third.



UNIFORM REMINDER: Please ensure that your child comes to school in the correct uniform. No jewellery, make-up or nail varnish is to be worn. Children should have appropriate haircuts, ie. no words, patterns or Mohican's are to be cut into it.

MOBILE PHONES: We don't encourage children to bring mobile phones into school, but we do understand that sometimes parents feel it necessary. If they are brought in, they need to be turned off and left in the school office and a disclaimer form needs to be completed as the school can not be held responsible for any loss or damage whilst on the premises. Forms can be collected from the school office.



Out and About in the Community—Visit to St Hildas Lunch Club Matson

Some of the Year 5 children spent time with the elderly, reading books, singing and talking about hobbies. The children found it interesting and fun to spend time with the older local people.

The new School Calendar for 2018/2019 is now available to view on our website. Please take these dates into consideration when booking your holidays. If you are Planning on taking a holiday during term time then you must pick up a request form from the Attendance Officer. All holidays taken during term will be unauthorised unless we feel that there are exceptional circumstances.



Have we got your correct email address?

Please remember to return the slips with your current email address on as soon as possible. From April we will be sending out most of our correspondents this way. If you still wish to receive paper copies, please tick the relevant box on the slip.

Attendance:

If your child is absent for more than one day, please remember to call and leave a message on the attendance line every two days (01452 530430, option 1). If we don't hear from you then the absence will be recorded as unauthorised until we do.



Medical Appointments:

Where possible, please make all routine appointments outside of school hours. If an appointment does occur during school time we ask that you bring your child back to school as quickly as possible to minimise lost learning time. If you have evidence of these appointments, such as letters, booking cards, please bring them in with you.

SCHOOL OFFICE

Please note that the School Office is open from 8:35am—4:00pm. Before school and after school are very busy times and we ask you to help us by sending your child's dinner/trip money in in an envelope and pass it to their class teacher. Our phone lines are also very busy during this period and we ask that you only call between 8:30 and 9am and 3:00 and 3:30pm if your call is urgent. Your co-operation is much appreciated.

After School Club

After School Club now runs Monday-Friday until 6pm. The cost is £9 per session to include a snack. Please note places need to be booked and paid for at the school office prior to your child attending.

Dates for your Diary:

Week Commencing 26th February—Book Week

Thursday 1st March—World Book Day

Tuesday 27th-28th February—Year 3 Residential to The Wilderness Centre

Friday 2nd March—Year 4 Robinswood Hill Trip

Monday 19th-23rd March—Year 6 Residential

Wednesday 21st March—Class Photos for Years 3 and 6 only

Wednesday 28th March—Last day of school before the Easter Holidays. Please note that Thursday 29th is an Inset Day. Children return to School on Monday 16th April.

