



## Newsletter 13

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*"A Church School Community aspiring for all to live life to the full"*

Dear Parents, Carers & Governors,

As we continue to focus on developing a life-long love of reading, staff have been discussing what their favourite book was as a child! Mine was *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*, written by Eric Carle! I particularly remember liking the holes in the pages, the long lists of foods and the bright illustrations! I wonder if you have a favourite storybook and whether your child agrees with you or has their own particular choice!

With books in mind, School have received special books for all children to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Children will be given their copy next week to bring home and keep. We hope that you enjoy sharing it together.

Thank you for your continued support as a school community.

**Mrs Lynda Britton Deputy Head**

**Website Update:** After some maintenance, our school website is now back up and running!

**Class Photographs, Rec, Y2 & Y4:** On Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June, the Reception, Year 2 and Year 4 classes will be having their class photographs re-taken. Please ensure that your child has their school sweatshirt or Cardigan with them for their class photograph.

**Dinner Money Debts:** As previously mentioned, if you pay for your child's school lunches please keep your Parent Pay account topped up so that it is in credit before your child orders a meal. **Due to some unpaid debts still outstanding we will be setting a debt limit of £12.00 - anything over this and we will not be able to provide a school lunch until the debt is cleared. We will call you on the day to ask you to bring a packed lunch in for your child.** Also, if your child will be late to school, please place your order for your child's lunch by phone before 9.30am to ensure that a lunch is ordered. Thank you your help with this.

**School Start and Finish Times:** Thank you for your efforts to ensure that children arrive and are collected on time. The gates are opened at **8.50am** and children should be in school by **8.55am**. The gates are locked at **9.00am** and late arrivals need to access the school through the Reception office entrance. Registration and learning activities start promptly in class. In the afternoon, the gates are unlocked at **3.05pm**. School finishes at **3.10pm** for Reception/Key Stage 1, **3.15pm** for Key Stage 2.

**Sun Hats:** Please could we ask that every child has a named sun hat to wear outside for break and lunchtimes as the weather is very warm and we have limited shade on the playground. Please could we ask that parents apply sun cream in the mornings before sending their child into school.

**Collection on Playground:** In order for teachers to be able to dismiss classes smoothly and safely it would help staff if parents could stand in their child's collection area at the end of the day. Many thanks.

**Cheltenham Town After School Football Club \*DATE CHANGE\*:** Due to the INSET day on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June, the KS2 children who signed up for Cheltenham Town Football sessions did not have a session on this day. A session will be provided on **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July** in place of the session missed on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June.

**Astro Turf Update** – The Astro turf is due to be completed in the Summer Holidays. Despite the obvious disappointments of the delay in completion, we look forward to being able to use it in the Autumn Term. Thank you for your patience and support during this time.

**Reminder: Safeguarding Concerns:** If you have any safeguarding concerns please speak to the Designated Safeguarding Lead - **Mrs Britton** (Deputy Head) or the Deputy Safeguarding Leads - **Mrs Hall** (SENCO and Inclusion) or **Mrs Nelson** (Pastoral Support Worker). Thank you.

### **Values Certificates**

Well done to the following children who received a Values Certificate in our weekly Celebration Worship.

**26.5.22**

EYFS	Teddie and Albie
Y1	Willow and Dotty
Y2	Gracie and Jacob
Y3	Noah and Zeno
Y4	Delilah and Dante
Y5	Ryan and Amit
Y6	Ben and Daniel

**09.06.22**

EYFS	Patrick and Alice
Y1	Dotty and Tyler
Y2	Flynn and Jacob
Y3	Henry and Bella
Y4	Certificates to follow
Y5	Theo and Anthony
Y6	Desi and Arisha

**Leave of Absence Form Change:** Please only complete a leave of absence form if your child will be absent from school for a whole day or if they will not be present at school when the registers are taken in the morning or afternoon. **Please ensure you let us know if your child will be leaving during the school day to attend an appointment, so their class teacher can be made aware.** Please note, we **will not**, authorise any holiday taken during term time. Children only attend school for 39 weeks a year. Please see the attached attendance leaflet providing further information.

**Brigade School Uniform:** This year's deadline date for ordering uniform for free delivery into school is **Friday 22nd July**. Uniform can also be purchased through Universal Uniform on the Kingsditch Trading Estate.

**Annual School Reports:** Annual School Reports will be sent home to parents on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July in Book Bags. If you require an extra copy of your child's school report, please let Miss Saunders in the office know, by Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July. Thank you.

**Y6 End of Year Production:** The Y6 End of Year Production, 'Pirates of the Curry Bean' will take place on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July. There will be two performances on this day. The afternoon performance will be at 1.45pm and the evening performance at 6.30pm. Please see the letter sent home today in relation to obtaining tickets for the performances.

**Household Support Fund:** On 30 September 2021, the Government announced that a new Household Support Fund (HSF) would be available to Local Authorities to support those most in need during the winter, which has now been extended until 30 September 2022. The Government has provided funding to Gloucestershire County Council to support people who are struggling to:

- **buy food**
- **pay energy and water bills**
- **cover other essential costs linked to energy and water and wider essentials (including sanitary products, warm clothing, soap, blankets, boiler service or repair, purchase of equipment including fridges, freezers, and ovens)**

The application form for the Housing Support Fund can be found on the Gloucestershire County Council website here: <https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/gloucestershire-welfare-support-scheme/local-support-grant-find-out-more-and-apply/>. The Household Support Fund is available until 30 September 2022.

**Cheltenham FoodBank:** If you require extra help and support, the Cheltenham Food Bank Help for Hardship contact number is **0808 2082 138**. You will be able to speak confidentially to a trained Citizens Advice advisor (9am-5pm, Monday to Friday), who can issue a foodbank voucher and provide other information.

- **SAVE THE DATE!** The PFTA Summer Fayre will be on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July** after school. More details to follow!

**Forthcoming Dates**

- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June Y5 Visit to Cotswold Wildlife Park
- Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June Y4 Drumming Workshop
- Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June Y3 & Y4 Swimming
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June Cheltenham District Athletics Championship
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June Reception Stay & Play Sessions (Rec 2022 Intake)
- Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June Holy Trinity Orchestra Celebration, 3.15pm – 4pm Details to follow
- Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June Y3 & Y4 Swimming
- Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July Y1 Gloucester Waterways Museum Trip
- Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July Y3 Dean Heritage Centre Trip
- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July Y6 Residential Trip, Whitemoor Lakes
- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July Reception Stay & Play Sessions (Rec 2022 Intake)
- Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July Y3 & Y4 Swimming, **last session**
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July Y1 Attending Multi Skills Festival
- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July Reception Stay & Play Sessions (Rec 2022 Intake)
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July Y2 Visiting Gloucester Waterways Museum
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July Y6 End of Year Production 'Pirates of the Curry Bean'
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July Annual School Reports Sent Home
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July PTFA Summer Fayre Details to follow
- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July PTFA Non Uniform Day £1.00 Donation
- **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July** **End of Summer Term 2**
- **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September** **INSET Day – Teachers only in School**
- **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September** **Start of Autumn Term 1**

Yours sincerely

**Mrs Lynda Britton – Deputy Headteacher**