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ArtSpace Wye River Festival Workshops

ArtSpace visited the school to lead a number of workshops with the children. Our KS2 children worked with the artists to create an exhibit based on a giant pizza which will be displayed at the Wye River Festival. KS1 and EYFS went into a dome to share food and festival stories. To find out more about the free, family friendly, Wye River Festival go to: <https://wyevalleyriverfest.com>.



Y3/4 Visit Greece!

As part of the children's hook into their new Summer Term topic, the school hall was turned into an airplane. Children had to 'check in' and go through security checks before boarding the plane for their flight. The children then strapped in and watched their flight take off before being served in-flight snacks and drinks from the cabin crew (school staff). They then landed in Greece and disembarked in glorious sunshine!



Football

Well done to our y5/6 football team who recently took part in the ProStars Five Acres competition. The children once again played exceptionally well, losing just one game in the group stage of the competition. It is great to see the team continuing to progress and play better with each competition that they enter.



We had a lovely day at Goodrich Castle 😊
The children really enjoyed themselves ⭐

EYFS Goodrich Castle

EYFS had a wonderful time visiting Goodrich Castle. The children got to explore the ruins and found out about castle life.

St. George's Day

The school celebrated St. George's day by holding a 'red and white' day. The children learnt about St. George and why he became the patron saint of England.



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Visiting Athlete

We had the pleasure of having Hannah Longden, Team GB 100m and 200m sprinter in school. She led an assembly for the children and took the children through some training drills which included starting and sprinting techniques.



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Year 3/4 Football

A huge well done to our y3/4 girls football team who played so well at a recent tournament. This was the first time that the girls have played together as team. Overall they won one game, drew another and lost two. They were a credit to us all, showing a great sporting attitude and congratulating other teams.



April Attendance

School attendance for April was: 94.11% (since September 94.34%)

Classes with the highest attendance were: Kites (97.5%), Dragonflies (96.39%), Kestrels (96.13%)

Classes with the lowest attendance were: Ospreys (90.51%), Hedgehogs (91.53%), Otters (92.64%)

It all adds up!

Attending school everyday gives your child the best chance of success. **100%**

Attending 4.5 days every week = 4 weeks missed learning per year **90%**

Attending 4 days a week = 8 weeks missed learning per year. **80%**

Attending 3.5 days a week = 12 weeks missed learning per year. **70%**

80% attendance adds up to missing 2 full years of education over their school life!

Can they afford to keep missing out?

Every Day Counts



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Forest Schools

We continue to develop our Forest Schools area. Miss Rickards recently had new bird feeders and hedgehog hotels built which have now been installed into the area.



School Planters and Willow Hedges

Thank you to Miss Rickards and Mrs Younger who organised a tidy-up of our school planters and willow hedges. Thanks also goes to all of those that turned up to help. There is still work to do so look out for the next request for help!

2023/24 Key Dates

8/5/24 - 9/5/24 - Y6 and EYFS height and weight checks

9/5/24 - Y3 Residential Begins

10/5/24- Y3 Residential Ends

16/5/24 - Glos Wildlife Trust—Y1/2 Workshops

23/5/24 - Glos Wildlife Trust—Y1/2 Workshops

24/5/24 - Pied Piper Appeal, Pyjama Day

24/5/24 - Reports Out

24/5/24 - End of Term 5

3/6/24 - Start of Term 6

3/6/24 - 14/6/24 - Parents Consultations (to discuss reports)

6/6/24 - KS2 Skateboard Workshops

13/6/24 - Football Freestyle Workshops

28/6/24 - Well-being workshops and assembly

5/7/24 - K-Nex Challenge Final

17/7/24 - Y6 Leavers Afternoon

12/7/24 - Summer Showcase

19/7/24 - End of Term 6 (1.30pm)

2024/25 Academic Year

4/9/24 - Start of Term 1

17/10/24 - End of Term 1

4/11/24 - Start of Term 2

19/12/24 - End of Term 2 (1.30pm)

7/1/25 - Start of Term 3

14/2/25 - End of Term 3

24/2/25 - Start of Term 4

4/3/25 - End of Term 4 (1.30pm)

22/4/25 - Start of Term 5

23/5/25 - End of Term 5

2/6/25 - Start of Term 6

18/7/23 - End of Term 6 (1.30pm)



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