

Children in Need

Thank you to everyone that supported our Children in Need fundraising week. By selling Children in Need items and by holding a non-school uniform day we raised £696.56 for Children in Need. Simply amazing!





Teams4U

As usual we have been astounded by your generosity this month. So thank you for donating so many items and shoeboxes for our Teams4U appeal. The shoeboxes will now be distributed in countries where children and families are less fortunate than ourselves and who may not receive any gifts this Christmas.

School Beat Officer

Our local police school beat officer, PC Steer, recently attended the school to deliver assemblies to the children about the role of the police and run some in class workshops for our junior children on internet safety.



Harvest Collection

A huge thank you to everyone that donated to the schools harvest collection back in October. We donated an impressive 202.85kg of food to our local foodbank.





Forest View Remembers



Remembrance Day

Thank you to everyone that supported this year's British Legion poppy appeal by purchasing poppies and other items. The school marked this important occasion by holding silences in assemblies and special lessons in class.



Vigil at Cinderford War Memorial

On Friday 17th November some of our y5/6 children marked the 100th anniversary of Cinderford's War Memorial by standing vigil at the memorial. This was part of the towns 24 hour vigil of the memorial to mark this special occasion.







Christmas Performances

18/12/23 - Christmas Performances

9:15am: EYFS 10.30am: Y1/2 1pm: Y3/4 2.15pm: Y5/6

19/12/23 - Christmas Performances

9:15am: Y3/4 10.30am: Y5/6 1.00pm: EYFS 2.15pm: Y1/2

Due to demand on the school for performances, on these days there will be no hot meals served from the school kitchen. Instead there will be a cold choice only which the children will be able to eat in their classrooms.

Performances are limited to two adults per child. Please only attend one performance.

The school will also be running a raffle during the performance to win a Christmas chocolate bouquet.



Christmas Lunch

13/12/23 - Christmas Lunch for EYFS and years 3 and 4

14/12/23 - Christmas Lunch for years 1,2, 5 and 6

Please note: We will not be offering any other menu choices on these days. If your child doesn't want a Christmas lunch they will need to bring a packed lunch from home. If your child is entitled to free school meals then we can provide a packed lunch for them if it is ordered at the school office in advance before Friday 24th November.

On the day that's is not your child's Christmas lunch day, all children will need to bring a packed lunch from home. Again we can provide this if they get free school meals and it's ordered at the school office before 24th November.







Y5/6 Football

Our year 5/6 team recently played in the district finals of the ESFA national competition. Although the children lost both of their games they demonstrated the schools values in such a positive way and we are really proud of how well they supported each other and conducted themselves.





SportsHall Athletics

Our SportsHall athletics team achieved success at the recent Forest of Dean competition. Our girls were the highest performing team out of all of the girls and once their score was combined with the boys we finished 3rd overall.

What a fabulous team effort!





End of Term

A reminder that school finishes at 1.30pm on Wednesday 20th December for the Christmas period. School will reopen on Monday 8th January.

Showcase

A reminder that our Autumn Showcase will be held on Friday 1st December. Doors open at 2pm and parents are welcome to come and see all of the fantastic work that the children have completed this term!



November Attendance

School attendance for November was: 95.37% (since September 94.98%)

Classes with the highest attendance were: Eagles (99.2%), Squirrels (97.17%), Rabbits (97.05%)

Classes with the lowest attendance were: Otters (92.01%), Dragonflies (92.73%); Merlins (92.99%)

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?









Pupil Premium and School Funding

Did you know that if your child is registered for benefits led Free School Meals they are eligible for the following:

- A free school meal everyday in school until they leave primary school.
- Free entry to breakfast club (bookable through ParentMail)
- A £15 supermarket voucher for every eligible child for each week of the school holidays (provided by Gloucestershire County Council through the holiday voucher scheme).
- Free holiday activities (provided through Gloucestershire's HAF/HAP scheme).
- Subsidised after school clubs.

The school also receives extra funding for every child who is eligible for benefits led Free School Meals (also known as the pupil premium) which allows us to provide extra support to our pupils.

If you think you children are eligible, or are unsure then go to:

https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-transport-and-free-school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals/

2023/24 Key Dates

28/11/23 - Visiting Pantomime	29/2/23 - Hedgehogs class trip to Robinswood	
1/12/23 - Singing Club @ St. Stephen's Church	1/3/23 - Otters class trip to Robinswood	
1/12/23 - Autumn Showcase	14/3/24 - Spring Showcase	
5/12/23 - Otters and Rabbits Library Visit	15/3/24 - Y5 Residential Begins	
6/12/23 - Singing Club @ Forest Sensory Services	18/3/23 - Y5 Residential Ends	
6/12/23 - Romanian Celebration Day	18/3/24 - Parents Consultation Meetings	
7/12/23 - Hedgehogs and Squirrels Library Visit	19/3/24 - Parents Consultation Meetings	
8/12/23 - EYFS Christingle Service	20/3/24 - Parents Consultation Meetings	
12/12/23 - Books for Bugs Book Fayre	21/3/24 - Parents Consultation Meetings	
13/12/23 - EYFS and Y3/4 Christmas Lunch	22/3/24 - End of Term 4 (1.30pm)	
14/12/23 - Years 1,2,5 and 6 Christmas Lunch	8/4/24 - Start of Term 5	
15/12/23 - Christmas Jumper Day	9/5/24 - Y3 Residential Begins	
18/12/23 - Christmas Performances	10/5/234- Y3 Residential Ends	
19/12/23 - Christmas Performances	24/5/24 - Reports Out	
20/12/23 - End of Term 2 (1.30pm)	24/5/24 - End of Term 5	
8/1/24 - Start of Term 3	3/6/24 - Start of Term 6	
5/2/24 - Y5/6 Police talks—Online Relationships	3/6/24 - 14/6/24 - Parents Consultations (to discuss	
9/2/24 - End of Term 3	reports)	
19/2/24 - Start of Term 4	17/7/24 - Y6 Leavers Afternoon	
27/2/23 - Rabbits class trip to Robinswood	12/7/24 - Summer Showcase	
20/2/22 Control of the Debter and	19/7/24 - End of Term 6	



28/2/23 - Squirrels class trip to Robinswood



