



Steam Mills Primary

12.07.2024



Dear Parents and Carers

School Lunches

If your child requires school lunches next week, please check now that you have ordered them on Parentpay. We have a 48 hr cut-off for all orders. Thank you

After School Club – Friday 19th July

Please could you let Miss Agg know if you need After School Club on Friday 19th July. If there is little demand the club may be cancelled on this day.

Sponsored Walk

Thank you so much to those that have handed in Sponsored Walk money that children have collected. We have an amazing total of **£1114** so far which will go towards the next Pantomime Trip.

Leavers Performances – Tuesday 16th July

All tickets have now been issued, including extra requests, where possible. Please check bookbags and remember to bring tickets when you attend. Thank you



Leavers Service – Friday 19th July – 1:30pm

Our Leavers Service will take place on **Friday 19th July at 1:30pm**, all parents/carers are welcome to attend.

The service should last approx. 40 minutes then parents are welcome to collect children from class after to leave school early if they wish. Children are welcome to stay until 3:15pm if you are unable to collect earlier. Prostars Club has been cancelled on this last day and refunds made to ParentPay accounts.

Prostars KS1 Club – September 2024

We have now made the decision to cancel the KS1 Prostars Club from September 24. Prostars have said that they will offer taster sessions later in the year to gauge interest with a view to hopefully starting the club again in the future.

More Residential Photos



Skills for Learning, Learning for Life

Term Dates 2023-24

Summer Term 2024

8th April—22nd July

Autumn Term 2024

2nd September-20th December

Half Term

28th October-1st November

INSET days:

22nd July

2nd September

25th October

Diary Dates

(including Federation activities)

July

15th Reports week

16th Leavers Performances –
9:30am and 5:00pm

19th Last Day for children
Leavers Service – 1:30pm –
approx. 2:10pm

22nd Inset Training Day

September

2nd Inset Training Day

3rd Start of Term 1

Swimming for Class 3
18th Class 3 Trip to Cheddar
Caves

25th Maths Fest!

30th Rags2Riches Collection

Class Snippets - (Article 28- children have the right to an education. Article 29- Education should develop a child's talents, personalities and beliefs)

Pre-school – this week at Pre-School we have enjoyed having some new children in for their tasters. The Pre-School children have been really kind showing the new children, who are starting next term, around, playing with them and being really helpful, we are both really proud of them. Our number this week has been 8 so we have been developing our fine motor skills by threading hoops onto pipe cleaners to make the octopus' some socks and shoes. We have been water painting, drawing and colouring, enjoy the sun (when it was out!) in the garden and on the school field - the children also made a Woodlouse hotel for the insects they found in the garden using bricks and added sand and toys for the Woodlouse to play with!

Class 1 - very busy week. We have been continuing our learning of coasts and have been writing fact files. We have also been looking at the seven continents of the world. On Wednesday we went to Soudley Primary School as a federation activity day. The children had lots of fun engaging with the activities and the children from the other schools. Lots of play and lots of fun this week.

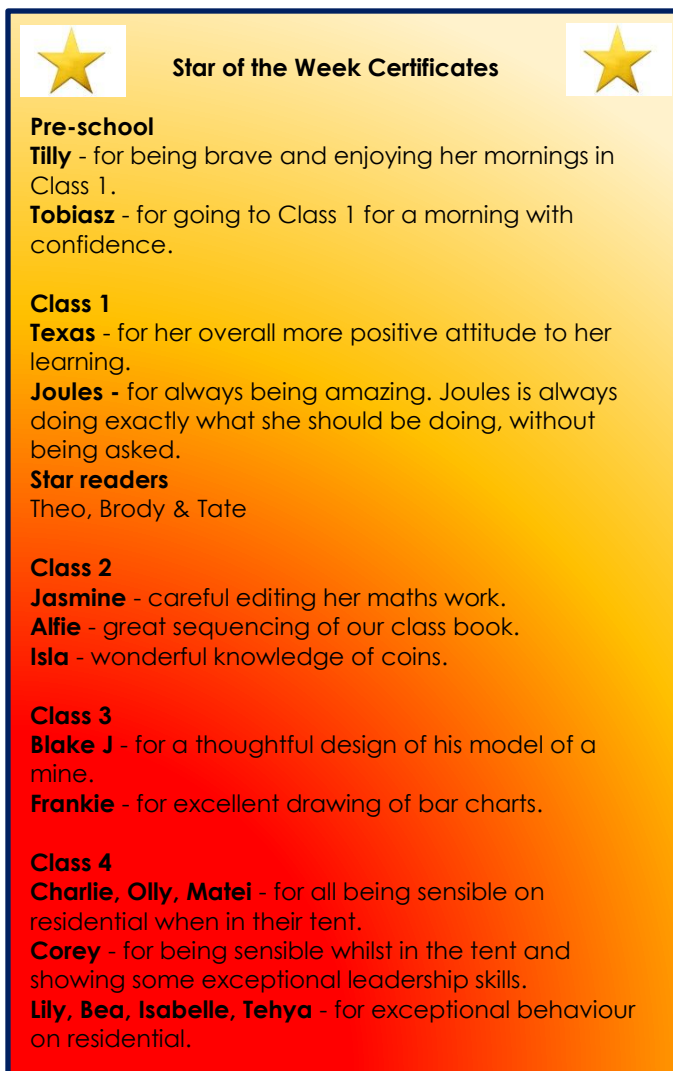
Class 2 – we have had a lovely week in Class 2. We have been continuing our class book Last Stop on Market Street. We sequenced the story and created a poster for Cinderford food bank. We have then been creating some inspired artwork too! The class also had a lovely time at Soudley on Wednesday for our federation event. It was great to see the children playing with their peers from the other two schools.

Class 3 had an excellent week, finishing off their learning for the summer term! They completed non-chronological reports all about tea and showcased all of the features that they can use in writing. In maths, Y3s explored statistics to interpret and draw pictograms and bar charts and Y4s worked on fractions of amounts. In DT, the children made their models of coal mines and used a range of materials to do this. They all looked fantastic!

Class 4 have been busy this week! They have been learning about how different plants reproduce and they did some beautiful drawings of a fuchsia in their science books to label the different parts. In DT, they finished their Maya masks - they looked amazing. They have also had some lovely visitors this week; an author visit on Wednesday; they engaged with some creative tasks and then Y6 had a visit from Young Minds Matters to discuss mental health in young people. They are gearing up ready for their performances next week, which we hope you will come along to enjoy.

Author visit

This week, we had a special visit from the author B.Ware. She came to share her book Warning: Magic can be dangerous, which the children were hooked into when she read the first 2 chapters.



Star of the Week Certificates

Pre-school
Tilly - for being brave and enjoying her mornings in Class 1.
Tobiasz - for going to Class 1 for a morning with confidence.

Class 1
Texas - for her overall more positive attitude to her learning.
Joules - for always being amazing. Joules is always doing exactly what she should be doing, without being asked.
Star readers
Theo, Brody & Tate

Class 2
Jasmine - careful editing her maths work.
Alfie - great sequencing of our class book.
Isla - wonderful knowledge of coins.

Class 3
Blake J - for a thoughtful design of his model of a mine.
Frankie - for excellent drawing of bar charts.

Class 4
Charlie, Olly, Matei - for all being sensible on residential when in their tent.
Corey - for being sensible whilst in the tent and showing some exceptional leadership skills.
Lily, Bea, Isabelle, Tehya - for exceptional behaviour on residential.

KS2 children took part in a workshop to explore character and create their own. They shared some brilliant ideas and all of the children were thoroughly engaged.



Here are details of an event running tomorrow:



Beat the Street!

Hi, its Matt here. Well done on your efforts!!! Over 1000 people playing and well over 3000 miles covered. Great to see so many of your pupils taking part in beat the street and also coming along to the extra events that run alongside the game. Here is a little video message:



Beatthetstreet 1.mp4

STEM Works Offer

STEMworks are pleased to again be part of the Gloucestershire Holiday Activities & Food (HAF) programme. We will be offering 2 workshops during the summer holidays for families and children to come along and join. The **FREE places** are available to families of children who qualify for benefit related Free School Meals and booking is now open.

The STEMworks workshops will be held at St Johns C of E Academy in Coleford, and will be:

- Monday 12th August – Catapult Challenge
- Tuesday 13th August – Build your own Buzz Wire Game

Qualifying participants will be offered a FREE Hot Meal during the day as well as drinks and snacks. Full details of the events as well as booking instructions, can be found at:

<https://gloucestershirehaf.com/forest-of-dean-haf/family-activities-forest-haf/>



The Library Challenge

Coming Soon!
13 July - 14 September 2024

Suitable for children aged 3+



Gloucestershire COUNTY COUNCIL
ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND
SPORT ENGLAND

THIS YEAR'S THEME: SPORT

Join in on all The Library has to offer this summer for **free!**

Sign Up at any Gloucestershire library or online at gloslibraries.uk.

Explore Tasks in the challenge – there's something for everyone!

Collect Stamps! Show completed tasks to our friendly library team.

Level Up! Special rewards await at each level!

SPORTS FESTIVALS

This summer, we're hosting two multi-sport festivals alongside The Library Challenge.

Meet and play with local organisations like **Gloucester Rugby Charitable Community Foundation** and **Cheltenham Town Community Trust**.

Book your free ticket now at gloslibraries.uk

Friday 9 August
11:00 - 16:00
Kings School Sports Field,
Gloucester, GL1 2TF

Friday 30 August
11:00 - 16:00
Oakwood Primary School,
Cheltenham, GL52 5HD

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Summer Holidays in Drybrook 2024



'Milkshake Mondays':
every Monday 2-4pm @ Candi Youthspace

Lego Cafe: every Tuesday, 10-11.30am @ the Methodist Church

Free book/dvd/game for under 16s: every Thursday, 9-1pm @ Shop on the Cross

Pop Up Sports: Thurs 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th / August, 2-3.30pm @ Drybrook School Field

All activities 100% FREE – supported with a donation from Drybrook Parish Council.

** Tuesdays and Thursdays, children must be accompanied by an adult...



SUMMER DRAMA WEEKS

DI BURNETT 7 - 12yrs
IMAGINE CREATE PERFORM

July 22nd - 26th
July 29th - Aug 2nd
Aug 12th - 13th

MORE SKILLS
MORE CONFIDENCE
MORE FUN
MORE FRIENDS

10.00am - 4.30pm Daily
£25.00 day
£100.00 for full week
£5.00 reduction daily for siblings
Wk 1 & 4: Daily workshops
Wk 2 Full week + performance

07977 147273

USE THIS FORM AND SEND VIA EMAIL OR POST ALTERNATIVELY BOOK OVER THE PHONE

NAME OF CHILD:				
DOB:				
PARENT/S OR CARER'S NAME/S:				
TEL. NO.:				
EMAIL:				
PREFERRED DATES (PLEASE X):	Weeks 1 & 4 day workshops / Week 2 Full week with Friday Performance			
7-12yrs	Jul 22	Jul 24	Jul 29 th - Aug 2 nd	Aug 12 th - Aug 13 th
	Jul 23	Jul 25		

Please email or send to:
Di Burnett, 'The Ferns', Townsend, Mitcheldean GL17 0BG

Signed: (Parent/Carer)

CONTACT DETAILS:
07977 147273
teenactors@msn.com

As always, please do let us know if you have any questions or queries. We do also encourage parents/carers to let us know if they have any suggestions of events or activities that you would like to see in school.

Our Safeguarding, Behaviour, Complaints and other policies are available on our school website.