

Steam Mills Primary

25.03.22

Dear Parents/Carers,

Ukraine Cake Sale

Thank you very much for supporting the cake sale over the last 2 weeks – we raised an amazing total of £275! All money has been donated to the British Red Cross.

Rights Respecting

World Water Day - 22nd March was World Water Day. There are 2 billion people in the world who do not have access to safe water to drink. As a KS2 assembly, we discussed why water is so important to our lives and the impact of not having water. Children recognised that drinking dirty water can make them ill, cause infections when washing, they would not be able to have swimming pools in the summer and crops would not be able to grow so they would not have access to food.

At home, it would be great to think of ways to save water.

WWF Earth Hour

This week, classes 3 and 4 have taken part in a webinar for Earth Hour. They learnt about how important the earth is and what can be done to protect it. Children created posters, which have been entered into the Earth Day competition with a chance to win an animal adoption.

Earth Hour will take place Saturday 26th March at 8:30pm and WWF encourage families to switch off lights and energy devices for an hour. There is extra information about this attached.



Diary Dates

March

29th Parents Evenings

April

8th Last day of Term 4
– FoSM Non-school
Uniform Day

25th Start of Term 5

26th Class 4 start
swimming

May

9th-12th KS2 SATS

13th Tempest Class
Photos & Leavers
Photos

17th Rags2Riches
collection
Reception and
Year 6 NHS
Screening

26th FoSM Non-school
Uniform Day

27th Inset Training Day
Bowling Club open
sessions – children
welcome from
3pm

June

6th Start of Term 6

7th Class 3 start
Gymnastics

July

4th&6th Y5/6 Residential –
South Cerney

Class 2 Trip

Class 2 went on a trip to Slimbridge Wetland Centre this week. They had a great time and we learnt about the different things that live in a wetland and why wetlands are important. They watched an otter being fed and explored Slimbridge to see what Wildlife we could see and hear. We were very surprised to hear that some of the flamingos that live there are 75 years old! The children had a lovely time and they were beautifully behaved all day. Thank you to the parents who came with us, without you this wouldn't have been possible.



★**Head Teacher Certificates**★

Pre-school
Joules – Fantastic adventurous outdoor play.

Class 1
Carla – Brilliant reading and amazing spelling.
Annabelle – Great work explaining doubles.

Class 2
The whole of **C2** for being amazing at Slimbridge.

Class 3
Elwood- A great news report about the Battle of Hastings in 1066
A keen interest in DT

Class 4
Denisa – Telling the difference between past and present tense.
Tiffany – Amazing artwork.

Cinderford Swimming Club

Please find attached details of Cinderford Swimming Club.

Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) Programme

The Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) programme, funded by the Department for Education, will be returning this Spring break between 11-14th April; this is for children in reception to year 11 who are eligible for **benefits-related free school meals**.

Please find attached an e-poster letting families know of the key dates of Spring HAF as well as signposting to the channels to follow to stay up to date.

Holidays Activity Programme

GCC have also recently secured some additional funding so that they can once again extend their offer to all families as part of the HAP programme (Holidays activity programme- NOT funded by the DfE).

We encourage all HAP and HAF families to get in contact with their local offer to see what is available to them. To find out where to get more information about your local offer, you can click here. <<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/holiday-activities-and-food-programme/follow-your-district-on-social-media/>>

If you have any queries, please contact : hafparentenquiries@gloucestershire.gov.uk



We raised an amazing £170 from the sale of red noses and £110.45 for the non-uniform day. Thank you so much for your kind donations once again.

Stop Press – Girls Football

Well done to the girls football team who played an inter-school competition this morning and finished 2nd! Mr Yearly said they were fantastic and he was very proud of their conduct and their playing.



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If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact school. It is advisable to contact your child's teacher in the first instance.

Best Wishes
Mrs Davis