



Friday 11th May 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well we couldn't have wished for better weather last weekend - I hope you managed to take advantage of the sunshine!

Casual Employment Opportunity

Would you be willing and able to supervise lunchtimes and Night Owls when existing members of staff are absent? If so we'd be very keen to hear from you. Please contact me if you would like more information - many thanks.

House Points

During Celebrations Assembly on a Friday morning, we find out which House has won the most dojo points over the previous week. The winning House is awarded a disc to add to the "discometer" which is kept in the hall. This week I can tell you that **Langley** were awarded the most points, so congratulations to everyone in **Langley**. Overall, this term **Langley** and **Stanley** are in joint first place with four discs each. The School Council are going to help decide on a suitable reward for the winning House at the end of the year.

Recent Arrivals

A big welcome to Ollie Cooke and Isabelle Riley and their families, as they have both recently joined us in Year Two. I'm pleased to inform you that we're almost at full capacity now with just one place available in both Year One and Year Four.

Happy News!

Big congratulations to Mrs Jackson as she's expecting her second child in November. Further information regarding her maternity cover arrangements will be sent out in due course.

Dogs on the Playground

Many thanks to all the dog owners who have been so understanding and supportive of the arrangements I put forward in last week's newsletter.

Before School and Lining Up

We are going to continue with the new arrangements as they seem to be working well - thank you.

SATs

Our Y2 and Y6 children have been working hard in preparation for their Statutory Assessment Tests, which will be taking place over the next couple of weeks. We obviously wish them all the very best of luck and we hope that they achieve the results they deserve.

We found out recently that a small number of randomly selected Year 6 children will also be taking the Science sample test on 6th June. Once we have it, further information will be given to the parents of the lucky children involved!

St Edward's Taster Days

If you're thinking about sending your child to St Edward's Senior School, then the following taster days may be of interest to you.

SUMMER TERM 2018



Tuesday 22 May 2018	Year 5 Experience Day	8.45am - 3.00pm
Wednesday 6 June 2018	Year 5 Art Day	8.45am - 3.00pm
Thursday 14 June 2018	Year 5 Drama Day	8.45am - 3.00pm
Friday 22 June 2018	Year 4 Olympiad	8.45am - 3.00pm
Wednesday 27 June 2018	Year 4 Classics Day	8.45am - 3.00pm

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Cheltenham Science Festival (Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th June)

This fantastic event is coming up soon with numerous events for families and young children, some of which are free but for others you will require a ticket. For further information go to www.cheltenhamfestivals.com/science

Gretton Science Day (Saturday 7th July)

I'm pleased to inform you that this popular annual event will be going ahead again this year but with a different team behind the scenes organising the day. As in previous years, thanks to the generosity of certain members of staff, we will be supporting the event by providing a stand at the show.

Diary Dates

Mon 14 th May	Start of SATs week
Thu 17 th May	Big Friends, Little Friends Teddy Bears' Picnic
Mon 21 st May	Continuation of KS1 SATs
Fri 25 th May	Friendship Friday
Fri 25 th May	End of Term 5
Mon 28 th May	Start of half term week
Mon 4 th June	INSET Day (school closed to children)
Tue 5 th June	Start of Term 6
Mon 11 th June	Start of Phonics Screening Check week
Tues 12 th June	Final swimming session for Y2,3 & 4
Wed 13 th June	Life Education Bus in Gretton
Wed 20 th June	Sports Day with Mini Summer Fete afterwards
Thu 28 th June	Owls and Eagles to Bell Boating Regatta
Thu 28 th June	Robins to Sandfield Farm
Fri 29 th June	Annual Pupil Reports out to parents
Thu 5 th July (pm)	SEN Reviews and Open Classrooms
Sat 7 th July	Gretton Science day
Thu 12 th July	NSPCC Assemblies and workshop for Eagles
Fri 13 th July	Owls to Royal International Air Tattoo
Fri 13 th July	Eagles to Tewkesbury Medieval Festival
Wed 18 th July (early evening)	Eagles end of year production
Thu 19 th July	Whole school trip to Nature in Art
Thu 19 th July (early evening)	Eagles end of year production
Fri 20 th July	Thank You Tea for volunteer helpers (by invitation)
Mon 23 rd July	Whole- school Winchcombe Walk
Tue 24 th July	Last day of the academic year
Mon 3 rd September	INSET Day (school closed to children)
Tue 4 th September	Start of Term 1 (2018 to 2019)

As you can see it promises to be a very busy but enjoyable few months and I'm sure further activities will be added to this list as the term progresses. If necessary details about all forthcoming events will be sent out nearer the time.

Class Assemblies

Class assemblies will start at about 8:55 am - please come along if you can.

Wednesday 9 th May	Well done Robins!
Wednesday 23 rd May	Owls
Wednesday 20 th June	Eagles
Wednesday 27 th June	Kingfishers

Night Owls and Early Birds

We have vacancies for all sessions. The children will continue to be given a choice of activities and may spend more time outside weather permitting.

News from around the classes

Robins

Robins looked brilliant in their costumes for our Ugly Bug Ball-they were far from ugly! Thank you to all the parents for helping make the children look so amazing. We had a great day, beginning with our class assembly in which the children performed poems in English and French with great confidence. During the day we baked snail biscuits (no real mini-beasts were harmed in this activity) and grass seed caterpillars which should become very hairy over the next few weeks. Thank you to all the parents who have given us new resources for the classroom, the new pens have inspired a huge amount of drawing, colouring and writing this week.

Kingfishers

The sun shone on Kingfishers during their trip to Slimbridge this week. The children were thrilled to see all sorts of birds including swans, geese, ducks, moorhens and their chicks, but were also lucky enough to spot a water vole and of course the resident otters Flo, Minnie & Haha. They finished their day with lots of fun in Wellyboot land. The children have also been perfecting their technology skills and been busy creating their British Wildlife e-books.

Owls

Owls looked this week at the construction of Tudor houses, commonly found in Tewkesbury. We noted how the top level was often larger than the lower level - this was a clever way to save on land costs! The children made nets on a trial and error basis and quickly learnt from their mistakes. In Maths, Mr Bridges was really impressed with the improvement of place value knowledge and we are now revisiting Addition and Subtraction.

Eagles

Some superb photographs were taken by the Eagles this week in the front garden. They took their inspiration from the work of Ansel Adams, an American who photographed landscapes and plants. It was lovely to see and hear the children finding the beauty in everyday sights such as daisies, and we all felt we had really looked at the garden with our eyes open for the first time. There is a fern which looks just like an octopus!



Birthdays coming up.....

Zak Bawdon, Oliver Baker Williams and Isabel Oliver

Congratulations!

School Meals

To help your child choose their meals, here's the menu for next week. **Please note change to Monday's choice to celebrate the forthcoming royal wedding.**

NEXT WEEK'S MENU (14.05.18)				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
PRINCELY PIZZA(Chicken, Cheese, Pineapple)	Chicken Enchilada with Jacket Wedges	Roast Pork with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Beef Burger with Baby Baked Potatoes	Battered Fish with Chips
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PRINCESS PASTA (Macaroni Cheese)	Macaroni Cheese	Vegetable Pasty with Roast Potatoes	Vegetable Chilli & Rice	Vegetable Enchilada with Chips
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NO FURTHER OPTION	Filled Baguette with Ham/Cheese/Tuna or Egg	Jacket Potato with Beans	Filled Baguette with Ham/Cheese/Tuna or Egg	Jacket Potato with Cheese
Roasted Peppers & Sweetcorn	Peas, Coleslaw	Seasonal Vegetables	Broccoli & Sweetcorn	Baked Beans & Garden Peas
Berry & Apple Strudel & Custard/ Yogurt/ Fruit Salad	Peach Upside Down Cake/ Yogurt/Fruit Platter	Oaty Cookie, Cheese & Biscuits/ Fruit Salad	Chocolate Orange Sponge with Choc Sauce/Yogurt/Fruit Platter	Flapjack Fruit Yogurt/Fruit Salad

This week's 'Golden Children' (11.05.18)

Robins

Delilah Shakespeare and Katherine Schumacher for their beautiful drawings with our new pens.

Kingfishers

Isabelle Riley in the Gold Book for settling in so well this week, taking swimming and our class trip in her stride!

Owls

Alys Evans for showing an excellent willingness to try new things. Joseph Pringle for some excellent descriptions in his story.

Eagles

Eliza Turner and Tia Row for being excellent "stand- ins" for the Year 6s in Assembly

Best wishes to all members of the school community.

Mr R Woolston Headteacher