



This week the children in Year 3 travelled to the Cheltenham Literature Festival with children from many other local schools as part of our year of reading. The children throughout the school came together to talk about mental health as part of our activities for world mental health day. A group of children from class 3 travelled to Kingshill for a sports leader course and have already been teaching many other children the games they have learnt.

Parent governor

The deadline for nominations was midday today and we will inform you if there is an election next week.

Parents evenings

Parents evenings appointments are now open for booking. Class 1 bookings can be made for Tuesday 24th and Thursday 26th October 3:30-5:30pm, Class 2 on Monday 23rd October from 3:30pm – 5:30pm, Class 3 and Wednesday 25th from 3:30pm. To book your appointments please email admin@downampney.gloucs.sch.uk and state which date and time would suit you best and we will try to book as close as possible. If you have siblings on separate dates or cannot make these dates please let us know when you can do and we will try and accommodate.

Residential Information evening

We will be holding an information evening about the class 3 residential evening at 4pm on October 18th. Please email Mrs Woodruffe if you can attend this meeting.

Corinium Musuem

The choir have been recorded singing Dem Bones for a skeleton trail at The Corinium Museum. On Monday they will each bring home a free ticket for the trail. The tickets are valid from 28th October - 5th November.

Blue Peter Book Badge and Year of Reading competition

Please can all entries be handed in on Monday 16th October so that they can be sent off..

School Disco

The first school disco of the year is Friday 20th October. Class 1 is from 5-6pm and class 2 and 3 is from 6-7pm. This is a PTA run event with a cost of £1. Parents are asked to drop off and collect children from the side gate, near the carpark.

Non- uniform day

Friday 17th November children are allowed to come to school in non-uniform. We are asking for donations to the Christmas in the community event and there will also be a collection for children in need. Children are asked to come in clothes suitable for the weather and to do PE in.

Young voices

You can access the music room at home too <https://yvmusicroom.com/parentRegisterRefer-ral?code=MzUxNy8xNjk1OTg3Nzgw> We still have adult spaces on the coach at the cost of £20 – please let Mrs Woodruffe know if you would like to book a seat.

Preloved Uniform

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We have had more donations to our pre-loved uniform including some summer dresses, if you have any clothes to donate then please add them to the boxes in the porch. If you are in need of uniform then do look here first – any donations to the PTA would be appreciated.

Year 6 parents

Please ensure that you have registered your selections for secondary school by the end of October.

Careers Week

We are looking to run a careers week starting Monday June 17th, thank you to those that have already offered to come in. We still have lots of spaces if you feel you could come in and share your career with the children.

Key Dates	
17 th October	Netball tournament after school
20 th October	School Disco – 5-6pm class 1, 6-7pm for class 2 and 3
23 rd October	Quick sticks tournament after school
Week of 23 rd October	Parents Evening
27 th October	End of term 1
6 th – 10 th November	Class 3 bikeability
9 th November	Book festival visit
10 th November	Book festival visit
15 th November	Open morning 9:30-11:30am
17 th November	Non-uniform day for Children in Need / Nasal Flu vaccines
20 th November	Penathlon
21 st November	Schoolbeat officer visiting class 3
21 st November	Sportshall athletics
22 nd November	Netball friendly against Ampney Crucis
23 rd November	Open morning 9:30-11:30am
28 th November	Open evening 4-6pm
19 th December	Panto
21 st December	Nativity at 1:30pm
22 nd December	INSET day
8 th January	Term 3 starts
9 th February	End of Term 3
19 th February	Term 4 starts
22 nd March	End of Term 4
8 th April	Term 5 starts
12 th April	Swimming starts

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13th – 16th May	Y6 SATs
24th May	End of Term 5
3rd June	Term 6 starts
3rd – 14th June	Multiplication Tables Check Y4
10th – 14th June	Phonics Screening Assessments Y1
12th June	Leavers service at Gloucester Cathedral
17th – 21st June	Careers week
22nd June	Small school fundraising event
24th- 26th June	Residential for class 3 (more details to follow)
6th July	School Fete
10th July	Schoolbeat visit for class 3
11th – 12th July	Deer Park School Induction days
19th July	Last day of term for pupils
22nd July	INSET day