



This week a team entered the Bee Netball development tournament, we have another 'friendly' netball match in November where more children can take part. Next week we have a team entering a 'Quicksticks' hockey tournament.

Parent governor

I am delighted to announce that Olivia Ogbomo will be our new parent governor taking over when Chris Nott stands down at the end of November.

Parents evenings next week so NO TEACHER LED AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Parents evenings are running next week - you should have received an email with your child's appointment. If you have not received this please email Mrs Woodruffe

Residential Information evening

I held a parents information evening and the slides have been shared with everyone in Class 3, if you have any questions please email me as I am visiting Dewerstone over half term.

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.

Easy fundraising –

Please sign up to easyfundraising and every time you shop at one of the dedicated online retailers, you will raise a FREE donation for Down Ampney School PTA! It only takes a couple of minutes to sign up and is completely free to use -

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?invite=e5926d&char=36822&referral-campaign=s2s&utm_source=swupsharebox

Bags for Schools

Your child should have brought home a bag for school ready for the collection on Monday 6th November. If you are having a sort out before the holidays then feel free to drop them off next Friday 27th October, or if you are passing during half term then the school will be open on Wednesday 1st November for drop off or on the morning on November 6th. You do not need to use the official bags but please take note of what can be donated.

Parking

Please can I ask you to be considerate with your parking outside school at drop offs in the morning. Please ensure that you park considerately and not on the chevrons at the entrance to the car park. If there is not any available space to pull up outside school then please pull into the car park and walk your child around. I am

aware that the situation is being impacted by the building work next to school and I am working with them to try and ensure that skips are not delivered or collected at drop off times.

Planning ahead

I am keen to let you know that both myself and the governors are working with other agencies to ensure that the school continues to thrive well into the future. Part of these talks are around the building work that we need to do to replace the temporary Class 1 structure, others are involving us joining a trust of schools inline with government directive to do so and finally it is regarding increasing the number on roll so that we can accommodate the new families moving into the village. The governors and I will keep you informed as each of these areas develop.

Term 2 after school clubs

Monday – after school Forest Green Rovers will be running a football club open to all year groups until 4:15pm for the first 5 weeks of term

Tuesday – construction club open to class 1 and 2

Wednesday – choir open to all and a science book review club (applications to Mrs Russell)

Thursday – French club

Parent mail notifications for trips and sporting events

We would be very grateful if you could complete the parent mail forms for the trips and sporting events that we arrange. This allows us to easily manage the event and put on more. Please email if you have any further questions regarding any of the events.

Christmas Card Deadline – October 27th

If you are wanting to purchase any Christmas cards that your child has designed then please ensure they are handed into the school office by Friday October 27th at 12 noon. Any handed in after this time will not be able to be sent off.

Termly Curriculum Plans

The termly curriculum plans have been added to the school website along with a variety of other information including the weekly updates so that this becomes a useful place for you to find out key information.

Key Dates	
20 th October	School Disco – 5-6pm Class 1, 6-7pm for Class 2 and 3
23 rd October	Quicksticks 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	Year 2 Stroud book festival visit
10 th November	Small group of children in Years 4-6 Stroud 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

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22nd November	Netball friendly against Ampney Crucis
23rd November	Open morning 9:30-11:30am
28th November	Open evening 4-6pm
19th December	Panto
21st December	Nativity at 1:30pm
22nd December	INSET day
8th January	Term 3 starts
9th February	End of Term 3
19th February	Term 4 starts
22nd March	End of Term 4
8th April	Term 5 starts
12th April	Swimming starts
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