



### **Dance festival**

We are very proud of our dance troupe who performed at Cheltenham Town Hall this week alongside a number of other primary and secondary schools. We had the youngest children performing at the event and the smallest group but that did not stop us getting the loudest round of applause!

### **NUTS! And healthy snacks**

Just a little reminder that we are a nut free school due to severe allergies amongst pupils and staff. This includes when we are events and on trips. Also as part of our aim to promote healthy habits we ask that children bring water in their drinks bottles and fruit or veg for snack time.

### **Drop off and picking up**

Another reminder that adults should stay with children at drop off until the gates are open and that if your child is arriving to school early and enters the back gates then they need to be signed into breakfast club in the hall. At the end of the school day children are to be collected at the back gates including if they are in a teacher lead club. Children in after school club need to be signed out from the hall. If you need to collect your child early from school please inform myself or Mrs Woodruffe and collect them from the school office.

### **Reception places**

We are delighted to inform you that 8 families were offered spaces for their children to join us in September! If you know of anyone else who is looking then do let me know. This is very exciting news and will hopefully mean that the school reaches the magic 50 + on role for the first time in more than a decade.

### **Academisation update**

We are delighted to be able to inform you that our application to the Diocese for conditional consent to academise has been received. This week myself, Geoff Booth chair and Jemima Horton have a meeting with the Diocesan Board of Education to hopefully gain conditional consent. If this is granted then we can then formally apply to the Regional Schools Commissioner. I will keep you updated in future newsletters.

### **Term 5 clubs**

Monday – KS2 rounders and Y6 Sats club  
Tuesday – Y2,3,4 maths club and Sats club and Rec/Y1 craft club  
Wednesday – Choir/music club rec-Y4 and Year 5/6 maths club  
Thursday – Spanish club

### **Swimming Term 5 and 6**

We have had a great couple of sessions and most children will now be staying in the groups they were in this week with just a couple of changes to balance group sizes better. The children will continue to be taught in two groups, if your child swims first they will need to put their PE kit on after swimming as they will have PE second.

### **PTA updates!**

This week a clothes recycling bank has been delivered into the carpark near the back gate which will raise funds for the school. This will replace the termly clothes collections and enable us to recycle clothes and raise funds at a convenient time to each of us! Please can you let us know if this is full so that we can arrange for it to

be emptied. We are very grateful to the parish council for allowing us to place this recycling bank in the village car park.

## Parents newsletter

In partnership with Gloucestershire Parent Carer Forum (GPCF), Gloucestershire County Council and the Gloucestershire Clinical Commissioning Group, coproduce a newsletter for parents and carers every two months. There is lots of information which might be useful to you.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/families-in-partnership-newsletters/families-in-partnership-newsletter-april-2024/?pageNumber=1>

Key Dates	
April 30th	Class 3 team building day with Rodmarton School ahead of our joint residential
May 7th	Quad Kids
May 9th	Class 1 trip
13th – 16th May	Y6 SATs
May 17th	PTA children's DISCO at the FOOTBALL CLUB!
May 17th	Class 3 Team building day with Rodmarton School ahead of our joint residential
May 20th	Non-school uniform day – children to bring in chocolate or bottles for the tom-bolos at the school fete.
May 21st	Orienteering Y5/6
May 24th	Sports day and family picnic – Sports day starting at 11am (if dry)
May 24th	End of Term 5
June 3rd	Term 6 starts
3rd – 14th June	Multiplication Tables Check Y4
June 10th	Class 3 Team building day with Rodmarton School ahead of our joint residential
10th – 14th June	Phonics Screening Assessments Y1
June 11th	In the Net – internet safety play Year 4
June 12th	Leavers service at Gloucester Cathedral
June 15th	Small school fundraising event
17th – 21st June	Careers week
June 18th	Rounders Year 5/6
24th- 26th June	Residential for Class 3 (more details to follow)
26th-26th June	Commonweal open days
June 28th	PTA school quiz night
Week of July 1st	Crypt Open day
2nd and 3rd July	Farmors Induction Day
July 6th	School Fete

July 10th	Schoolbeat visit for class 3
July 10th	Year 2/3 multisports
July 11 <sup>th</sup> and 12th	Deer Park induction days
July 15th	Make the rules day
July 19th	Last day of term for pupils – 1:15 pm finish
July 22nd	INSET day