NEWSLETTER

Friday2nd November 2018

Dear Parents/ carers,

Welcome back. I hope you all had a good half term break**.**

Staff News
I am delighted to let you know that Mrs Scott has given birth to a baby boy. Walter Joseph Scott was born on Tuesday evening weighing 8lb 7oz. Both he and his mummy are doing well. I am sure you will join me on congratulating Rachael, her husband Tom and their oldest son, Henry on their new arrival.

Food bank
Thank you for your generous donations to the Stroud Foodbank at the end of last term. In total, our school donated 54.10 Kg. This is an excellent contribution and will support many local families in need.

Pupil Toilets Refurbishment
Thank you to the Friends who organised and funded the redecoration of both pupil toilets and the installation of a much needed heater in the girls' toilet.

School Photos
The school photographer will now be visiting us on Wednesday 7th November to photograph individual pupils and siblings. Please remember your hairbrushes!

Lifting Our Learning Autumn Term 2

No short cuts! If you really want to be good at something – Resilience

It's not something everyone wants to hear but it's true that learning takes **hard work!**
Think of someone who is really good at something – how do you think they became so good? It's all about practising.

Successful people don't try to avoid work and they don't make fun of working hard. Successful people know that hard work leads to success.

Have you got a good attitude to work? Do you except everything to be easy? Do you try to avoid working hard?
When we work hard and are successful we often find learning new things fun. We also feel good about ourselves.

Can you think of a time when you have worked hard and been proud of yourself?

Spooky Disco
At the Spooky Disco just before half term we raised a fantastic £209 for The Friends. The children really enjoyed it and it was a great way to end the first half of term. A very big thank you to all parents and staff who helped in any way - we really couldn't have done it without you!
We also raised a further £42 for the Halloween non-school uniform day.

Fireworks - TODAY at 3.15pm
The Friends have organised a fireworks display which will take place today (Friday 2nd November) from 3.15pm. The children will watch "Philly's Famous Fireworks" from the safety of the playground and you can stay warm with a cup of hot chocolate (£1) and munch on a delicious chocolate covered apple (£2) - made by the children yesterday with the help of Rachel Brennan (thank you Rachel) - so bring your pennies!

Open Mornings - 9.30-11.30 Wednesday 14th and Wednesday 21st November
Can you help out at one or both of our Open Mornings later this month?

This is when we open our doors to parents looking for a school place for September 2019. Prospective parents will be shown around the school by small groups of pupils and will then come to the Resource Room for a cup of tea/coffee and a chat with existing parents.

If you are able to spare an hour or two, on either date, to talk to these parents about how amazing our school is, please contact Bryher Grimes on 07785 542185 or bryhergb@hotmail.com.

Parent help needed - lantern making 26-30 November
During Craft Week (26-30 November) the children will be making willow lanterns, an activity they really enjoyed last year. We need a few willing parent volunteers who don't mind literally getting stuck in and helping the children create their lanterns - it's not hard, just a bit fiddly and sticky!

We'll be doing it in the Village Hall each day that week, between registration and lunch, and again from after lunch until the end of school. If you are able to help for a session, a day, or more, please contact Alex Bransby as soon as possible on 07981 793251 or alexbransby@hotmail.co.uk.

Parent help needed - Christmas Secrets Room Wednesday 12th December
This year The Friends are planning to run a Christmas Secrets Room where the children bring in a small donation and get to choose up to two presents for their mum/dad/carer/grandparents. The Friends will help them wrap the gifts which the children then take home to give to their loved ones at Christmas. This is a lovely activity as the children get so excited about the gifts they have carefully chosen and it also helps to teach them the importance of "giving" at Christmas.

The Secrets Room can only work if we have donations of small, unused, unwanted gifts for men and women. Examples of donations are hand cream, bubble bath, a pair of gloves, free perfume samples, a book, a desk tidy, a set of golf balls, a notebook, etc, you get the idea! If you have anything you can donate to the Secrets Room please pass it to Alex Bransby or put it in the box in the school office.

We also need some willing volunteers to come into school on Wednesday 12th December to help small groups of children select, wrap and tag their gifts. If you can help please contact Alex (details above).

Second hand school uniform

A list of the second hand school uniform that is currently available is being sent with this newsletter. Most items are £2 each with all money going to The Friends. If you would like to buy anything, or have any items of uniform that you would like to donate for sale in aid of The Friends, please contact Bryher Grimes (details above).

Menu W/C 5/11/18

	A	B	C
Monday	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Five bean chilli and rice	Jacket potato with tuna mayo
Tuesday	Chicken and broccoli pasta bake	Vegetable frittata	Tomato soup with cheese baguette
Wednesday	Roast pork roast potatoes and gravy	Vegetable Wellington roast potatoes and gravy	Jacket potato with beans
Thursday	Meatballs with rice	Shepherdess pie	Vegetable Soup with Ham filled baguette
Friday	Battered fish and chips	Bean burger with chips	Jacket potato with cheese

School Events Calendar 2018 – 2019

Autumn Term 2

Date	Event	Time	Venue
Wednesday 7th November	School Photographer Parents' Evening	1pm 3:30 – 6:00	At School At School
Monday 12th November	Bikeability Year 5	During the week	At School
Wednesday 14th November	School Open Morning	am	At School
Wednesday 21st November	School Open Morning	am	At School
26th – 30th November	Friends Christmas Craft Week including Lantern Making	Throughout the week	At School
Saturday 1st December	Church Christmas Bazaar Lighting of the Village Christmas Tree.	2:30 – 4:30	Village Hall
Monday 3rd December	Church Nativity Story – pupils only	am	St Peter's Church
Tuesday 11th December	Infant Nativity Dress Rehearsal YR/1/2	2pm	Village Hall
Wednesday 12th December	Infant Nativity YR/1/2	5pm	Village Hall
Friday 14th December	Scottish Reeling – Y3/4/5	pm	Village Hall
Monday 17th December	Celebration Morning – all welcome Celebration Assembly	9:00 – 10:00 10:00	At School Village Hall
	Christmas Crafts Afternoon	pm	At School
Tuesday 18th December	Flu Immunisations Year R – Year 5	School Day	At School
Wednesday 19th December	Aladdin Pantomime	Everyman Theatre	Cheltenham
Thursday 20th December	School Christmas Lunch	12:00 noon	At School
Friday 21st December	Candlelit Carol Service End of term 2	3:30pm	St Peter's Church

Spring Term 3

Date	Event	Time	Location
Monday 7th January	Term 3 Begins	9.00am	At School

Monday 21st January	Young Voices – Year 3/4/5	All day	Genting Arena
Thursday 14th February	Celebration Morning – all welcome Celebration Assembly End of Term 3	9.00 – 10.00 10:00 3.15pm	At School Village Hall School
Friday 15th February	Inset 4 - non pupil day		

Spring Term 4

Date	**Event**	**Time**	**Location**
Monday 25th February	Term 4 Begins	9.00am	At School
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day	All day	At School
Wednesday 27th March	Parents' Evening including SEND Pupil Meetings	3:30 – 6:00	At School
Monday 1st April	Celebration Morning – all welcome Celebration Assembly Friends Easter Egg Hunt	9:00 – 10:00 10:00 tbc	At School Village Hall
Wednesday 3rd April	Parents' Evening including SEND Pupil Meetings	3:30 – 6:00	At School
Friday 5th April	Easter Concert End of Term 4	3.30pm	St Peter's Church

Summer Term 5

Date	**Event**	**Time**	**Location**
Monday 22nd April	Term 5 Begins	9.00am	At School
Monday 6th May	Bank Holiday – No School		
13th – 16th May	KS2 SATS Week (Year 6 only)	During School Day	At School
Friday 24th May	Celebration Morning – all welcome Celebration Assembly End of Term 5	9:00 – 10:00 10:00 3.15pm	At School Village Hall School

Summer Term 6

Date	Event	Time	Location
Monday 3rd June	Inset 5 – non pupil day		
Tuesday 4th June	Term 6 Begins	9.00am	At School
5th June	School Photos	School day	At School
10th – 14th June	YR 1 Phonics Screener Week	School Day	At School
Tuesday 18th June	Sports Morning	am	At School
Tuesday 25th June	Reserve Sports Morning	am	At School
Friday 12th July	Pupil Reports issued		At School
Monday 22nd July	Celebration Morning – all welcome Celebration Assembly	9:00 – 10:00 10:00	At School Village Hall
Tuesday 23rd July	Summer Concert	3:30pm	St Peter's Church
Wednesday 24th July	End of Term 6	3.15pm	

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