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Dear Parents,

28th February, 2025

Attendance for this week: 94.03%

Welcome back to the start of term 4. We hope that everyone had a wonderful half term break and our children are ready for another action-packed term! We've got lots of exciting things to look forward to starting next with World Book Day activities next week and then soon after it's Red Nose Day 2025 which is unbelievably now in its 40th year.

Gloucester City Cross Country

We are delighted to announce that that four of our children have been selected to represent the Gloucester City Cross Country Team. A very big well done to Eliza K and Isabelle B in Year 4, Bear in Year 5 and Alfie in Year 6.

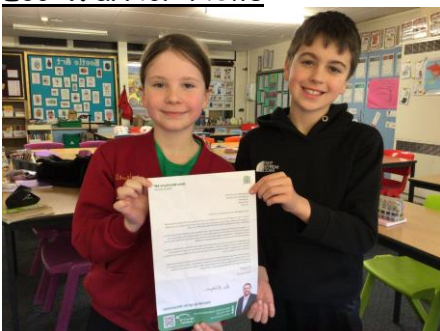
World Book Day, Cake competition/sale, Books for Bugs Book Fair

Week commencing Monday 3rd March sees a week of fun-filled activities, celebrating books and reading.

On Monday 3rd please bring your entries for the cake competition - this year's theme is books (anything to do with books). The cakes will be judged and then sold during breaktime/after school if there is anything left to sell. Cakes will be priced at 50p. Please bring the correct change if possible. **Important information for anyone making a cake, please do not bring into school any cake containing nuts or fresh cream.**

On Thursday 6th March, rather than expensive costumes we ask for children to come to school in PJs or comfortable clothing, ready to read for pleasure during the day. Books for Bugs will be hosting a book fair during school time on Thursday, books are priced at £3 each (please bring money in a named envelope if you wish your child to purchase a book). Various on-line and in-class activities relating to 'graphic novels' (comic-style books) will be taking place and we look forward to sharing these with you in a future newsletter and on social media.

Eco Warrior News



Our Eco Warriors were delighted this week to receive a reply letter from local Member of Parliament Alex McIntyre! They had written to him last term urging him to take action on the Climate and Nature Bill. He was very impressed with both their passion and their knowledge of biodiversity, nature and the planet. We are hoping to welcome Alex to our school soon so that we can share ideas on how to tackle the climate crisis and question him about what next steps the government are planning to take.

Year 6 Residential – next payment due

Just a reminder that the next instalment of £75 is due on Monday 3rd March 2025.

Red Nose Day 2025 – Friday 21st March

This year at Dinglewell we would like to celebrate raising money for Red Nose Day by the choice of wacky hair, Red Nose Day themed face paint or wearing something red. We request that children come into school on Friday 21st March 2025 wearing non-uniform, ideally something red. We would also like children to embrace the craziness of Red Nose Day's 40th Anniversary this year with a wacky hair/face paint competition. There will be a small prize per year group for the craziest wacky hair and a small prize per year group for the craziest face paint (Red Nose Day themed).

Donations: We kindly ask for donations of £1 to be brought into school, but if anyone would like to donate more than £1 this will be greatly appreciated as well. The money raised goes to helping a range of children and families in and around Gloucestershire, England and worldwide.

School Meal price increase from 1st April 2025

We have been advised by Caterlink that the price of a standard school meal will increase from 1st April 2025 to £2.85. We will automatically change our pricing structure to reflect this change for any meals ordered after this date. You need to take no further action; this is purely for your information only.

Football news

On Tuesday 25th February, the Dinglewell girls' football team played in the first round of Gloucester schools KO Cup game versus Brockworth Primary School. The girls had an amazing game and came away with a 3:0 victory. In the first half, even though our attack was on top form, we failed to score any goals because Brockworth defence was very robust. However, during the second half, we came back with a lot more determination and managed to score our first goal within the first few minutes of the game! After that, we went from strength to strength and managed to score another two goals before the final whistle. Well done Dinglewell Lionesses!

Cold Weather warnings



We hope we don't have to use the Emergency school closure procedures, but if we do, parents should listen-in to local radio broadcasts from 7am or go to <https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/closures> to check. Any notice of closure will also be put on the school website and the school's Facebook page.

Here are this week's Merit Certificate winners - well done everyone!



Forthcoming Diary Dates

Monday 3rd March - World Book Day Cake Competition & Cake Sale
Tuesday 4th March - Y4 Swimming, PC Kim Murphy in to see Y6
Tuesday 4th March - 5SL Forest School
Tuesday 4th March - Girls Football v Beech Green (home)
Wednesday 5th March - PC Kim Murphy in to see Y6
Thursday 6th March - World Book Day, Book Fair & Pyjamas Day
Friday 7th March - 3H, 3B & 3C Forest School

Monday 10th March -
Tuesday 11th March - Y4 Swimming
Tuesday 11th March - 5R Forest School
Wednesday 12th March - ECO Warriors visit to Gloucester
Incinerator
Thursday 13th March -
Friday 14th March -

Term Dates for 2025-26 are now available from Reception

PLEASE REMEMBER NOT TO PROVIDE NUTS OR ANY NUT DERIVATIVE FOOD
IN SCHOOL DUE TO SEVERE ALLERGIES WITHIN OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY



Correspondence sent out this week:

Girls football letter

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