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Dear Parents,

11<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Attendance for this week: 95.3%

Welcome to this week's newsletter which is packed full of forthcoming events. Your child will have come home with a letter regarding a vacancy for a Parent Governor here at School. The letter includes information about the skill set and commitment required for this role. Parent Governors bring a very important and valued perspective to the work of the Governing Body of our School. If you are interested in this role, please complete the form attached to the letter and return it to the School office by noon on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2024.

A reminder to please ensure your child/children have a named waterproof coat at school every day, even if the weather looks fine in the morning. We do our utmost to get the children outside for fresh air at breaktime and lunchtime.

We are sorry to once again have to report that we have had complaints about parking on the yellow lines and across driveways. We usually enjoy good relationships with our neighbours and whilst we fully appreciate that parking outside school at pickup/drop off times is very limited, we would rather that you parked safely and had to walk slightly further than to park in a dangerous place outside school. We have asked the local police to step up their patrols in this regard.

### **Breakfast & After School Club next term**

Forms for next term are now available from Reception or After School Club. Please note that we are unable to accept bookings for next term until full payment has been received for the current term. Additionally, when making new bookings, the form must be accompanied by either cash, cheque or proof of payment through childcare voucher schemes. Any questions please contact the School Business Mrs Sarah Ball. These facilities are extremely popular at the moment and therefore spaces are limited and will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis.

### **Gloucester Food Bank collection - NEXT WEEK!**

Please don't forget that from Monday next week we will be accepting food donations until 9am on the morning of the collection date which is Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October. Items should be brought into school and placed in the green crates at the front of the hall. Additionally, this year we are a 'Snacks & Biscuits Champion School' which means we would additionally like to collect packets of snacks and biscuits. These items should be brought in at the same time as food donations. As ever, we are grateful for each and every item donated and so are the families who receive these food boxes.

### **Y5 trips to SkillZone**

If your child is in Y5, please make sure that you have paid for, and ticked the consent box, for their forthcoming trip to SkillZone and that they have a packed lunch with them on the day of their trip.

### **Y3 Open afternoon – Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October**

We would like to extend an invitation to all Y3 parents to join us from 2.15pm- 3pm on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October to spend some time in your child's classroom and see how well they are settling into life at the Juniors. You can join in some fun art activities with your child, experience the live learning environment and look through your child's books. You can drop in at any point between 2.15pm-3pm and stay for as long as you wish and you may take your child home with you at the end of the session if you would like to.

### **FoDJS Autumn Disco**

The Friends of Dinglewell Junior School will be holding their ever-popular Autumn disco which will be on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October, Y3&4 will be at 6-7pm and Y5&6 from 7.15-8.15pm. Forms have been sent home with your child should you wish them to attend the event. Please remember to return the form and payment in a named envelope clearly marked DISCO with your child's name and class details.

### **Year 6 Residential Trip 2025**

On Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October, Mr Sullivan (trip leader) held an informative evening for parents and children interested in joining this event. Parents in Y6 have been emailed a copy of the presentation and it is also available to view on the school website.

### **Football news**

On Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October, the boys football team travelled to Longlevens Junior School to play their first fixture of the Group A League. This was always going to be a difficult fixture and so it proved: Longlevens were simply excellent from the start until the finish. They constantly pressed high up the field and prevented Dinglewell from finding any rhythm to their play. Longlevens won 8-0 but there are lots of positives to be taken from the game. Zach was our man of the match who made many, many good saves. The defensive pairing of Lucas and Riley showed a lot of promise, clearing many goal-bound efforts. Olly did come close to scoring but unfortunately put his effort just wide. And the midfield trio of Alfie, Max and Vincent will only get better with more game time together. It was a difficult afternoon for the boys but the only way is up from here! Well done team!

### **Christmas Concert dates for your diary**

Whilst we appreciate the concert is some way off, we thought you might appreciate the dates so that you can get them in your diary now. The afternoon performance is scheduled for 2pm on Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> December and the evening performance will be on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm. Both performances should last approximately 1 hour. Details of ticket sales will be announced later in the term.

### **Y4 – Reports of headlice**

If you are a parent with a child in Y4, please take a peek and treat any sign of headlice as we have had several reports this week in your year group – thank you.

And finally, the next MESSY CHURCH at St Philip & St James Church, Larkhay Road will be on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October (4 - 5.30pm). We are continuing a series of the "I am" sayings of Jesus with "I am the light for the world". Feel free to come as sparkly as you like! There will be plenty of crafts, games, story and a picnic tea. Everyone is welcome.

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



### Forthcoming Diary Dates

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October - Harvest goods can be dropped at school  
Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October - 4F Forest School  
Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October - GSP Science event  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October - Y5 Swimming lessons  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October - 5H visit to SkillZone (AM)  
Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October - Panathlon event at Ten Pin Bowling  
Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October - Football v Barnwood (home) Girls  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October - Harvest Assembly  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October - 5R visit to SkillZone (PM)  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October - Harvest goods collection at 9am  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October - 3C Forest School

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October - 5SL visit to SkillZone (AM)  
Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October - Y5 Swimming lessons  
Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October - Y3 Open afternoon 2.15-3pm  
Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October - FoDJS Discos  
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October - Football (boys) V Carlton (Home)  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October - Y6 ALL Classes Forest School Day  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October - School closes at 3.15pm for half-term

**Don't forget that school will close at 3.15pm on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October for half-term and will re-open at 8.30am on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November**

### Term Dates 2024-25

Copies of term dates for 2024-25 are available from Reception  
All relevant school policies are available to view on our Website.

**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:

Disco letters  
Parent Governor election letters

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