



October 18th

Autumn Term 2018

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Important Dates

Friday 19th October

Inset Day

Monday 22nd October to Friday

26th October

Half Term

Thursday 1st November

School Photographs – Individual & Sibling

Tuesday 6th November

Flu Vaccinations - Rec to Y5

Tuesday 13th November, 3.30pm

Roman Road Tag Rugby
Tournament at Birdlip School

Friday 16th November

Children in Need

Friday 30th November 5pm to

7pm

Christmas Fayre

Friday 7th December, 10am

Whole School Trip to Pantomime

Saturday 8th December, 7.30pm

Disco at The Green Dragon

Tuesday 11th December, 1.30pm

Class 1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal

Wednesday 12th December,

1.30pm and 5.30pm

Class 1 Nativity Performances

Tuesday 18th December

Whole School Christmas Lunch

Weekly Winners

Patch: Amy

Hamish: Evelyn

Zara: Charlotte, Rosie, Harriet,
Isaac & Amelie

Percy: Sebby

Dear Parents, Staff and Governors

Welcome to the end of the first term. It has been a hugely successful term welcoming 14 new children and their families; staging fantastic community events such as the Welcome BBQ, Harvest festival and the DIY day; a range of school trips including Berkeley Castle and All Things Wild and musical highlights from Class 3's percussion and Year 6's body percussion day at Rendcomb College.

The pupils' happiness and the academic buzz in school is phenomenal; paramount to all we aim to achieve.

The children have had an excellent term. Please remember that term's are long and tiredness is a huge factor in the days before a break. A week to renew the batteries is needed by the staff and the children!

We have recently reviewed our reading progress throughout the school. A year ago we identified a weakness in boys' reading and with certain aspects of reading, such as inference. A year later with a series of targeted interventions, new reading schemes and a greater emphasis on reading records and asking key questions the results have been fantastic. Thank you for all the help with reading at home, it makes such a difference!





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Fundraising Total **£579.50**

Coberley Village Fete
£50.00

Welcome BBQ
£315.00

Harvest Festival –
Cheltenham Open Door
£104.00

Non-Uniform Day in aid of
Gloucestershire Deaf
Association
£61.00

Cookie Sale
£49.50

It has been lovely to see the new reception and their Year 6 buddies. Year 6 have already written initial biographies, conducted paired reading and spent time as role-models for the newcomers; it has worked really well.

Another newcomer to participate in paired reading is Peanut Croft, our new reading dog!



Christmas Fayre – Friday 30th November, 5pm to 7pm

Planning for the Christmas Fayre is now well underway. We are now looking for volunteers for the following:

- Baking cakes and mince pies
- Manning a stall (30 minute slots)
- Helpers to set up and tidy away
- Wreath and craft makers
- Carol singers

Please sign up on the sheets inside the school office.



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We are also looking for Christmas decorations to put up around the school. Please let us know if you can help with any of the following items:

- White fairy lights (named)
- Extension leads (named)
- Santa Outfit
- Elf Outfits x 2
- Gazebos x 2
- White sheets (for Santa's grotto)
- Sheep skin rugs (for Santa's grotto)
- Old spare decorations (silver and white)

Again, if you can help with any of the above, please add your name to the sheet in the school office. Many thanks in advance for your support.

Dates for the Diary

Class 1 will be performing their annual nativity on the following dates:

- Dress Rehearsal - Tuesday 11th December at 1.45pm
- Performance 1 – Wednesday 12th December at 1.45pm
- Performance 2 – Wednesday 12th December at 5.30pm

More details to follow shortly.

Finally, we hope everyone has an enjoyable and relaxing half term holiday.


Headteacher