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This term's school value is Courage

A hot one this week! We haven't had certificates as we were all outside busy running races in the sunshine. We will go back to our usual celebration assembly next week. We'd like to wish our Year 6 children all the very best as they start to attend taster days or weeks at their new secondary schools.

Current Reception Transition meeting with Mrs. Toomer

Parents of our current reception children are invited in for a transition meeting of their child to year 1 with Mrs. Toomer, on Tuesday 24th at 2.45 pm.

Outdoor equipment

The wooden trim trail was funded by a Lottery Grant in around 2010. Knowing that the trim trail was coming towards the end of its life, we arranged installation of the metal equipment instead. This was enabled by a grant supported by Cllr Terry Hale alongside part-funding the pagoda. We also have some funding via Cllr Hale to help regenerate the outside class room in the Autumn. This funding was through the Build Back Better scheme. The recent sponsorship money raised will go towards that project (over £1000). Part of the Summer Fayre fundraising will go towards that, too.

PTFA Summer Fayre

The Fayre is on Friday 4th July 4:30 to 6:30 and is a joint venture with the Village Hall. It will take place on the school field (or in village hall if wet) and we are very much looking forward to it! We are very grateful to all PTFA members and everyone who supports their fundraising events, as this directly benefits the children.

Three Counties Show

Thankyou to Mrs Pritchard who helped source tickets for the Three Counties Show last week. Our Key Stage 2 children had a great time!

Term Dates 2025

Summer Term 2025 28th April—21st July 21st July INSET DAY

Class contact

If you have a class-based query, please contact your child's teacher in the first instance via the school office. Please be assured that teachers will respond, but not necessarily on the same day. Teachers are not expected to respond whilst they are teaching or beyond 5pm; your patience is appreciated.

100 Club

For all children wishing to take part in our school's fundraising 100 Club please contact the school office.

Congratulations to Mrs Matthews who is our winner this week!

It's a great way to support the school as money raised goes towards funds for the children.

We promote British Values and uphold our own school values of **friendship**, **determination**, **respect**, **tolerance**, **courage** and **self-belief**. As a reminder our Safeguarding, Behaviour, Complaints and other policies are on the website should you wish to view them.



Eco-Schools









West Gloucestershire Schools Partnership

Upcoming dates

24th June—moving up morning to new classes for September

24th June—Reception to Y 1 transition meeting 2.45pm

24th June—Final PTFA Fete meeting 2pm

26th June—moving up mornings to new classes for September

1st July —interhouse sports PE Kit required ALL CLASSES

3rd July—Porthcawl seaside trip Year 1 and 2

4th July—School Summer Fayre

7th July—Year 5 Super Learning Day at Five Acres High School

8th July—interhouse sports PE Kit required ALL CLASSES

9th July—Winifred Foley assembly 2.30pm

17th July—Leavers Assembly Year 6 parents 1:30pm

21st July—INSET day no chil-

Attendance

Thank you so much for your support with school attendance.

Attendance percentage

School	95.7%
National	94.8%
Local Authority	94.9%

Rights Respecting

Children have weekly Rights Respecting assemblies. This week our assemblies have focused on:

Water safety week. Article 24- the right to clean water.

Sports Day

Phew, it was a very hot sports day this year but lovely to see so many smiles.

Thank you to everyone who came to watch the children; they were all very grateful to the PTFA for providing ice lollies at the end!





















Apply online for free school meals



Check to see if your child is eligible using the confidential online portal available on our website www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/free-school-meals/

You can secure a tasty free meal for your child and save yourself up to £480 per year. Plus your child's school receives extra funding for each eligible child registered.

If you receive a qualifying benefit, your child's school is entitled to extra funding. So even if you don't want your child to take a free meal, you should still apply to make sure that their school receives all the government funding to which it is entitled - helping them provide your child with the best education and support.

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 already receiving an Universal Infant Free School Meal arranged by their school will still have to apply to enable their school to get any extra funding. If you do not have access to a computer or the internet, speak to your child's school.

For further information, including a list of qualifying benefits, visit our website or speak to your child's school today.

Travel Assistance and Free School Meals Tean Education Planning & Infrastructure Gloucestershire County Council, Shire Hall, Westgate Street, Gloucester, G.1 2TP



Term time holiday requests

Although term time leave request forms are available from the office, this does not mean that holidays are authorised or the request will be granted. Parents should be aware that the law does not grant parents an automatic right to take their child out of school during term time. The Department for Education allows a Head teacher the discretion to consider authorizing a leave of absence in term time only in "exceptional circumstances".

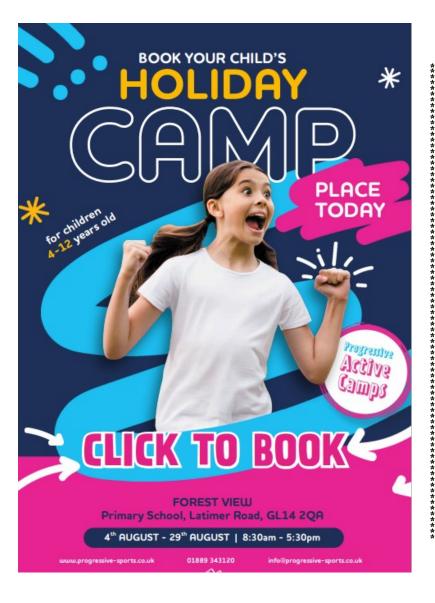
In the case of an unauthorised leave of absence the Head teacher may request that the Local Authority issue a Fixed Penalty Notice without further warning to the parent. Please note that such a penalty is issued to each parent for each child taken out of school. Fines may be triggered if a child misses 10 sessions of school or is in late, after the registers have closed. Please be aware that a normal school day is the equivalent to 2 sessions.

Uniform

As the weather continues to vary so much please make sure the children come to school prepared. They need a drink, a sun hat and a raincoat every day. Sun cream (when needed) should be applied before school.

All clothing should be named please, we do try to return abandoned jumpers to their owners but it helps us enormously if they are named. Children should not be wearing tight fit short shorts to school as they are not part of our acceptable school uniform. Children may wear skirts, summer dresses or suitable school shorts. They should be grey, black or navy in colour. Children are welcome to wear cycle shorts under their skirts in the summer if they wish.

We would be grateful for your support in maintaining standards as we believe it helps children prepare for secondary school where the consequences for not wearing the correct uniform can be missing free time.



RUARDEAN WOODSIDE MEMORIAL HALL

Family BINGO NIGHT

Saturday 28th June First Game to start – 7.00pm

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<u>Admission:</u>
Adults 50p
Primary school children – <u>FREE</u>

Bar and food available



Big laughs, fresh games, and the kind of days they'll talk about all year.

Laser tag battles. Football tournaments. Inflatables (the really good kind). With up to 20 activities a day, every moment's a chance to try something new, make a mate, or just do your thing. Some go full throttle. Others dip into junk modelling, crafts or quiet corners. However they spend the day, it's theirs to shape.

Need flexibility?

We've got early drop-offs and late pick-ups to make your day easier.

Book by the day or come for the full week-however it works for you.

They'll race, create, recharge, and high-five their way through the holidays with big grins and even bigger stories.

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Cooking Up a Storm with Central Co-op

Healthy eating workshops are back! With Co-op's support, our little chefs are learning real kitchen skills: chopping, mixing, tasting and making good food choices for life.

