



Newsletter term 1 October 2017

Our Christian value for life focus is Thankfulness



DIARY DATES

OCTOBER	NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER
Sunday October 15 th Countryfile Ramble in Bibury. All welcome to attend	Monday October 30 th School resumes no hot lunches
Monday October 16 th Parents Evening Green Class	Thursday November 2 nd Hot lunches resume
Tuesday October 17 th Parents Evening all classes	Thursday November 2 nd Yellow Class swimming begins
Wednesday October 18 th Archery Afternoon for Yellow and Blue Class	Friday November 3 rd Roman Feast day
Friday October 20 th Break up for half term	Thursday November 16 th School disco in the hall from 5.30pm to 7.30pm
	Wednesday November 22 nd Flu vaccines for Green and Yellow Class
	Saturday December 2 nd NCSA Christmas Fair
	Sunday December 3 rd Carol Concert in Cirencester Parish Church for Choir
	Wednesday December 13 th Christmas Lunch
	Friday December 15 th Break up for Christmas

Please note After School club must be booked 24 hours in advance thank you

TESCO BAGS FOR LIFE – VOTE FOR NORTH CERNEY

I am pleased to announce that Mrs Morris has secured a grant from Groundworks UK as part of the Tesco bags for life project. The amount we receive is now up to the public vote which takes place in Tesco stores in Cirencester from Wednesday November 1st 2017 to Monday January 1st 2018.

Shoppers will receive tokens to place in boxes for each project. Please ensure every time you shop and receive a blue coin to put in the North Cerney voting box!

Third place project will receive up to £1000, Second Place project up to £2000 and the First placed project the amount asked which will be £5000.

We want to win the £5000 grant applied for to update our Early Years Outdoor Area.

Vote North Cerney!

ATTENDANCE

I am disappointed to inform you that in a recent government report about our school, our attendance figures are of particular concern compared to the national average.

North Cerney has 5.9% of school sessions missed compared with 4% nationally.

Even more worrying is children who are persistent absentees. These are pupils who miss 10% or more of school. To address this, we will be striving to improve attendance within the school.

I am sure that you value your children's education so do everything you can to ensure they attend school. I am sure we should be able to do better than the other schools in the country.

PARENTS WE NEED YOU!

We are still looking for parents to join our Governing Body.

If you feel you could contribute, however small, please contact our Clerk to Governors Mrs Amy Bennett-bright on clerk@northcerney.gloucs.sch.uk.

COUNTRYFILE RAMBLE IN BIBURY



On Sunday October 15th both Bibury and North Cerney Schools welcome you to join us in Countryfile Ramble with proceeds going to Children in need.

Meet at the Catherine Wheel in Bibury at 9.30am to walk for about an hour.

The ramble is Dog Friendly and Child Friendly with free squash and biscuits available afterwards for the children.

Cost £5 donation per family to Children in need

HOT LUNCHES AFTER HALF TERM

Our hot dinners from Rendcomb College will resume on Thursday November 2nd after half term. If your child is entitled to free school meals or universal free school meals, we will provide a packed lunch, **if requested, from Monday October 30th to Thursday November 2nd**. Please contact the school office by **Friday Wednesday October 18th**.

YELLOW AND BLUE CLASS ARCHERY AFTERNOON

On Wednesday October 18th Yellow and Blue classes will be taking part in an Archery Afternoon.

Please ensure your child has their P.E kit on that day.

EASY FUNDRAISING AT EASYFUNDRAISING.ORG.UK

Support our school through [Easyfundraising.org.uk](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk)

We want our children to Discover, Learn and Succeed in our small rural school. Join Easy fundraising and you can collect donations for us every time you buy something online. It won't cost a penny extra so please help us raise funds. Every time you shop at Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, Next, Tesco (to name but a few participating retailers) you could be earning money which can be turned into a donation for us. Anyone can do this, so do please ask friends and family to sign up too. Find out more by going to: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/northcerneyprimaryacademy>.

SCHOOL REMINDERS



As the weather is now turning, please can I remind parents that children will require a coat to be brought to school every day.

To avoid losing items please ensure all clothing is labelled.

Thank you.

HARVEST SERVICE BY BEN MORSE

The Harvest Service on Tuesday in the Church was wonderful. Green Class did a little play called Johnny Appleseed. There were many parents there maybe including you!

A new Reception called Kane was very joyful and he even ate his whole apple.

The whole school always do a good job.

Some of Yellow Class did some Harvest sentences after the Choir did their song.

There was lots of applause.

ROMAN FEAST DAY



We are pleased to announce that our school will be cooking a Roman Feast with the Kitchen Club on Friday November 3rd.

The children will spend the day cooking and at 3pm we invite parents in join us sampling the tasty food we have prepared.

NCSA NEWS

Update from NCSA

NCSA Committee members for this year are: Jenny Forde - Chair, Kate Scott-Wilding - Secretary, Suzi Dixon - Treasurer, Deborah Bevan- Trustee, Charlotte Chippendale- Trustee and Sally Vernon-Trustee

We also have a number of people who often help out at events and we always welcome new people. Ask any of us if you want to know more.

We **bought a bigger boat.**

From the middle of October your children may tell you about a very large addition to the school playing fields in the form of brand new playing equipment funded entirely by money raised by the NCSA. This is to replace the old ship which had sadly reached the end of its days. We hope the children enjoy this new adventure equipment for many years to come.

NCSA Dates for your diary:

Annual Christmas Fair - Saturday 2nd December

11am-2pm in the North Cerney Village Hall

Thank you to those who have offered to organise stalls, sell Raffle tickets or donated prizes - keep them coming.

If you know any talented people that might like to have a stall at the fair then let us know as soon as possible. £15 a table.

HOME SCHOOL CHALLENGE

Thank you chain

Think about how an everyday item reaches you: Where does it come from? Who was involved in making it? Who should you thank?

Make a thank you chain and bring it into school to hang on the display board.

BIRTHDAYS



Happy birthday to all those who are celebrating their birthdays in October, these are: Blake Hill, Ben Morse, Kane Jones and Rory Burgess.