

Steam Mills Primary

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Dear Parents/Carers,

With COVID cases continuing to rise in schools, we continue to follow advice and protocol from the DfE and Gloucestershire County Council. Please could we remind you of the following:

- Please wear a face mask whilst on the school site.
- Remember to adhere to social distancing.
- If your child/ren, or any member of your household develops symptoms (**temperature/cough/change or loss of taste or smell**), please inform the school, stay at home and book a **PCR test**. If any member of the immediate family are getting a PCR test, children should not be in school.
- Continue to maintain our school bubbles, keeping your child/ren with you whilst on the school site. Playing on equipment, grass or playground is to be avoided to minimise the risk of mixing bubbles.

Diary Dates

July

- 6th Prostars' Tokyo Olympic Themed Sports Day
- 9th Pantomime & Non-school Uniform Day
- 21st Inset Day & End of Term 6

September

- 2nd Inset Day
- 3rd Start of Term 1
- 7th Class 3 start swimming sessions

Class Photos – Tempest

As Class 1 only received their new class proof on Wednesday, therefore, we are extending the time to return the paper orders back to school until Monday 5th July. Please remember to try and order on-line wherever possible. Many thanks

On-line Pantomime & Non-school Uniform Day

Robin Hood (& His Socially Distanced Men) - Thank you to the Friends of Steam Mills (FoSM) for part funding this end of term/year performance for the children. The play will be streamed to each class bubble on Friday 9th July and FoSM are asking for a donation of £1 per child for non-school uniform, which will go towards future events.



Summer Reading Challenge – Gloucestershire Libraries

As part of our assembly next Thursday, a representative from Cinderford Library will be joining us (remotely) to introduce this year's Summer Reading Challenge – Wild World Heroes. Please find attached details of how to sign-up.

Rags to Riches

There is a Rags to Riches collection booked for Wednesday 22nd September. Please keep this in mind if you are having a sort out over the summer holidays. Attached is information about what donations Rags to Riches will accept. Many thanks.

Road to Tokyo – Sports Day – Tuesday 6th July

We are holding a sports day for the children on Tuesday 6th July. Children should come to school dressed in their PE kits on this day please. It will be a Road to Tokyo sports day event that is unfortunately NOT open for parents to attend this year. Children will take part in Olympic style

events such as archery and javelin organised by ProStars in their classes throughout the day. Please also remember sun-cream before school, sun hats and water bottles. Thank you!

Celebration Assembly

Well done to the following children for being awarded certificates in our Zoom Celebration Assembly:

Jacob and Sam in Class 4
Aurelia and Evie in Class 3
Corey and Amelia in Class 2
Jax and Blake in Class 1 and
Evie and Winnie in Pre-school

Certificates were awarded for fantastic attributes again this week, including: 10 out of 10 awesomeness and confidence, having an epic idea for an adventure story, excellent writing, great use of imperative verbs, lovely presented work, brilliant counting in 2's, independent learning, good story telling and caring for the butterflies.

Breakfast Club/After School Club

ParentPay accounts should be in **credit** at all times. The school has a zero debt policy and we are not able to allow credit without a payment plan in place. Please do contact Miss Agg if you need to discuss payment issues and if you require a payment plan to help clear any outstanding amounts. We have changed our billing during COVID to weekly in arrears, rather than termly, to help parents with the possibility of rapidly changing requirements for these provisions. **Failure to clear outstanding debt could result in your child being refused these services. Thank you.**

Attached are the booking forms for September. If you will require Breakfast Club or After School club on a regular or even ad-hoc basis, please complete the required form and return to Miss Agg by Monday 19th July ready for September.

The collection time for After School Club is **5:30pm**, if you are delayed for any reason please try to make contact with the school. The school may need to implement a late collection fee if late collections continue.

E-Safety Visit by Police

We had very interesting and informative sessions today delivered by Gloucestershire Police regarding E-Safety. The children were given lots of information about keeping safe whilst on-line.

Pre-school – Happy Ever After

This term Pre-school have the theme of 'Happy Ever After' and last week, Prince Charming delivered each child their invitation to 'The Ball'. The children all had to find their own invites, looking for and recognising their own name. Today (Thursday) we dressed up, enjoyed some ballroom dancing and had a tea party. It was great fun!



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As ever, please do not hesitate to contact school to make an appointment with your child's teacher if you have any queries or concerns. We are always very happy to help and work in partnership with you.

Best Wishes
Mrs Davis