



Just one more day until we break up – I hope you are looking forward to an Autumnal break, with plenty of opportunity to walk in our beautiful woodlands and kick around in the fallen leaves.

See over for weekend sessions being offered by Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust, and guaranteed to be lots of fun.

Please note that we break up at the usual end of school day.

Our brilliant **STAR ACHIEVERS** for the last two weeks are below – well done to all!

	Thurs 7 th October	Thurs 13 th October
Beech	Florence and Logan	Beau and Ella
Elm	Lewis and Ted	Alfie and Chelsea
Maple	Joe and Teigan	Emily and Harry
Larch	Daniel and Zac	Max and Poppy
Chestnut	Mason and Mia	Charlie and Mia
Pine	Kacey and Tilly	Archie and Jude
Oak	Ellie and Sophie	Jamie and Mutya

SUPPORTING READING SKILLS AND CONFIDENCE:

Reading is possibly the most important skill that we can give our children, and improving our reading is a focus for our school improvement following the Covid lockdowns. Over the coming weeks and months we are going to be asking you to support our children improve their reading by encouraging them to read at home, and sharing their learning by listening to them as often as you can (we aim for three times a week, and for the younger children daily if you can). You can find tips on how to support reading in your child's link books. We will also be exploring how we learn to read at school and looking closely to see what more we can do. Children will be involved in this and sharing their ideas. Remember to spend time over the holidays sharing books, and those that like to read on a screen, MyON is available. We will also be running COOL READING after-school clubs for children in years 1-6 (on a Wednesday until 4.15pm starting on 24th November) and will be holding a virtual book fair at the end of November. More info to follow!

GYMNASTICS SESSIONS 2021-2022		
Term 2	Maple (Y2)	04.11.21-09.12.21
Term 3	Pine (Y5)	06.01.22-10.02.22
Term 4	Maple (Y3)	03.03.22-07.04.22
Term 5	Chestnut (Y4)	28.04.22-26.05.22
Term 6	Beech (R)	09.06.22-14.07.22

SWIMMING SESSIONS 2021-2022 (5 weeks)		
Term 2	Pine (Y5)	11.11.21-09.12.21
Term 4	Chestnut (Y4)	10.03.22-07.04.22
Term 5	Maple (Y2)	28.04.22-26.05.22
Term 6	Oak (Y6)	16.06.22-14.07.22

AFRICAN DRUMMING SESSIONS 2021-2022	
Term 2	Elm – Year 1
Term 3	Chestnut – Year 4
Term 4	Pine – Year 5
Term 5	Beech – Reception
Term 6	Larch – Year 3

DATE	CALENDAR
Fri 22.10.21	BREAK UP
Sat 30.10.21	Friends Halloween event at The Orchard 2-4pm – see poster over
Wed 03.11.21	INSET – staff only in school
Thur 04.11.21	Remembrance Poetry workshops for KS2
Thur 04.11.21	SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN
Fri 05.11.21	Individual school photographs
Tu 09.11.21	Y5 Wilderness Trip information session in the hall. 5pm
Wed 10.11.21	Y6 JCA Trip information session in the hall. 5pm.
Thur 11.11.21	Y6 to visit The Hut for remembrance service.
Fri 12.11.21	Flu nasal sprays in school
W 29.11.21	Virtual book fair – more info to follow

Parents consultations will once again be held by phone in the weeks beginning 8th and 15th November. Look out for your reminder to book.

Please note, term and holiday dates for 2021-22 and 2022-23 are now posted on the school website – saved as a document at the bottom of the Home page.

Our school office is open from 8.30-3.15pm Monday-Friday during term time. Contact preferred by telephone 01594 832262 or email admin@berryhill.gloucs.sch.uk

Buddies Before and After-School Club now has its own email address

buddies@berryhill.gloucs.sch.uk

REMEMBER THAT TO BOOK PLACES FOR THE FOLLOWING DAY, YOU NEED TO CONTACT US BY 12 NOON ON THE PREVIOUS DAY. THIS INCLUDES BOOKING FOR A MONDAY MORNING BY NOON ON FRIDAY. PLACES CANNOT BE BOOKED AFTER THIS, AND IF A PLACE HAS NOT BEEN BOOKED, PLEASE DO NOT COME TO BUDDIES. WE HAVE STRICT STAFF/PUPIL RATIOS THAT NEED TO BE ADHERED TO, AND STAFF ARE LIKELY TO NEED TO TURN YOU AWAY IF YOU HAVE NOT BOOKED.

PLEASE ALSO ENSURE THAT YOU HAVE PAID FOR YOUR CHILD'S ATTENDANCE, CHILDREN CANNOT ATTEND IF PAYMENTS ARE OUTSTANDING.

If you have booked a place and no longer require it, please let us know asap as this place can be offered to another child. If not cancelled by 12 noon, you will be charged for the session. More information from the school office Tel: 832262 or email admin@berryhill.gloucs.sch.uk



SCHOOL UNIFORM A full range of our school uniform is available from Mapac Group Ltd parentcustomerservices@mapac.net or telephone 01923 255525. Alternatively, there is ordering information available on our school website (see documents on the bottom of the Home Page, and also on the SCHOOL LIFE tab/UNIFORM). Orders can be paid by either credit or debit card. Delivery to school or home is offered. Our School Uniform Policy is available on the school website (see POLICIES tab).



Nature Nurtures

Weekend sessions in the Forest of Dean



Join our FREE sessions, running on weekends for 5 weeks at The Wildemess Centre, Mitcheldean. The group will be full of fun, hands on activities to learn about and connect to wildlife and nature. Get the chance to build dens, create art with nature and play teambuilding games. Contact Issy at Young Gloucestershire to find out more and sign up: Isabella.Norman@youngglos.org.uk or call 07884 006824.

Ages 5 - 7 Saturdays 9am - 12pm 6 November to 4 December	Ages 8 - 11 Saturdays 1 - 4pm 6 November to 4 December	Ages 11 - 14 Sundays 9am - 12 pm 7 November to 5 December
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PLACES NOW AVAILABLE IN OUR FABULOUS ACORNS PRESCHOOL Overseen by Mrs Williams, our Early Years Lead Teacher, and staffed by experienced Early Years experts, our Acorns preschool is integrated with our Reception Class to provide an all-through high quality Early-Years experience for our youngest learners. Places are available for children from the term after their 3rd birthday (EYs funded) and from their 3rd birthday (paid). Early Years funding and Employee Vouchers are accepted. Please email our school office for more information or to arrange a visit, or see the ACORNS tab on the school website. 01594 832262. admin@berryhill.gloucs.sch.uk



