



**Newsletter 23 – 10<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

*'We take responsibility for ourselves and do the right thing  
even when it's difficult.'*

**Diary Dates**

<p>Book Fair  <b>School Dinner Money Online Starts</b>          Y4 New Teacher to visit. Parents pop in at end of school to meet (1)  <b>Y4 New Teacher to visit. Parents pop in at end of school to meet (2)</b>          Online booking system for parents evening goes live  <b>Y3 Trip to Roman Baths</b>          Autism Awareness Week  <b>Year 1 and 2 WOW Event</b>          Reception WOW Event  <b>Y5 Trip to Noah's Ark Zoo</b>          Y3 WOW Event – Art Activity  <b>Parents'/Carers' Evening (1 of 2)</b>          Y6 WOW Event (Science Experiments)  <b>Y5 WOW Event (Creating a Heart)</b>          Parents'/Carers' Evening (2 of 2)</p>	<p>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> – Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> March 3.30pm  <b>Week beg: Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March</b>          Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 3.15pm  <b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 3.15pm</b>          Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 17.00pm  <b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March</b>          Week beg: 27<sup>th</sup> March  <b>Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2.00pm</b>          Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March 9.00am  <b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April</b>          Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2.45pm  <b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 4.00-7.00pm</b>          Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April 1.00-2.45pm  <b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April 9.00-10.30am</b>          Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April 4.00-7.00pm</p>
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**INSET Days**

- Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017
- Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2017
- Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017
- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2017
- Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2018

**Deputy Headteacher's News**

Three weeks into the new term, the children are really immersed into their new topics. We really appreciate all of the support that some children have been given by their parents in exciting and enthusing them about their learning. We also appreciate the support when parents attend the school's WOW events - details of upcoming events are given at the top of this newsletter. We appreciate that these are not always easy to get to, due to work commitments etc, but value your commitment to enhancing the home-school partnership.

Learning works most effectively when this partnership is strong. Whilst we try to explore all options when setting up such initiatives, it is not always easy to arrive at a solution which fits in with all lifestyles. To this end, we encourage any constructive comments about any aspect of our curriculum, particularly those where it is reliant on strong home school links.

Wishing you all a good weekend as the days get lighter - I am off to the Roman Baths to plan for the Y3 trip there at the end of the month. We are all so lucky to live in such a wonderful part of the country with such highlights.

**Theresa Gee**

**This week's Crown Values Certificates awarded to:**

- Year R Cherry: The Whole Class
- Year 1 Oak: Laila-Mai
- Year 2 Ash: Kayla
- Year 3 Lime: Sorayah
- Year 4 Maple: Preston
- Year 5 Sycamore: Tyler
- Year 6 Cedar: Charlie



**Attendance Total 96.0%**

- YR Cherry 95.7%
- Y1 Oak 94.1%
- Y2 Ash 96.6%
- Y3 Lime 96.1%
- Y4 Maple 96.5%
- Y5 Sycamore 96.8%
- Y6 Cedar 95.9%



### Reading Certificates

**Reading 10:** Kayla

**Reading 20:** Gracie, Lucie-Jo, Eleanor, Dylan



### Multiplication Masters

Ricky, Caitlyn, James, Leia-Louise, Olivia, Kelsey, Sebastien

### School Dinners are going Online from Monday!

From Monday (afternoon at the latest) you will be able to pay for your child's dinner online via School Money. You will receive a text message from us when the system is open for payments. If you need to know your School Money password again, please let the office know and we can resend it by email and text message. We would encourage all parents to use School Money as much as possible. It saves you having to find change every day/week and ensures that your payment is logged instantly! Thank you for your support!



### Menu Change

Please note there is a menu change on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March (see attached).

### Parents' Evening online

We are really excited to be trialling a new online booking system for the parents' evenings this term. (Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April). You will be able to book your slot online with the same log in details you use for School Money. You will be able to book from 5pm on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March. We will provide you with more information about how exactly you can make a booking before that date.

### OoS Film Evening

OoS Club are repeating their very successful film evening this coming Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> March. Don't forget to book your child in for an evening of dressing gowns, fluffly slippers and the smurfs!

### OoS Pick up times

Please could we also remind parents that pick up from Afterschool Club is 5.45pm **at the latest**. Some of the Afterschool Club staff finish work at 5.45pm and if they have to stay later than this, then they are entitled to overtime. It is our policy to pass the cost of this overtime on to the late parent so please be on time!!

### Autism Awareness Week - Monday 27th March to Friday 31st March

As part of our awareness raising week we will be asking all of the children to talk about a special interest that they have. This could be about: a hobby, a favourite author, a sport, a special interest such as dinosaurs, Star Wars... absolutely anything! Please can you talk to your child about what they could share.



If there are any parents who have a special interest and could spare 5 minutes or more at any time during the week to talk to the children, please let the school office know what your special interest is (so we can make sure each class hears a variety of interests) and when you are available.

Also, if there are any parents who work with children or adults with Autism who would be happy to talk to our children about their role we would love to hear from you. Again, please let the school office know.

## South Gloucestershire School Term Dates 17/18

Term	Starts	Ends
Term 1	Friday 1 September 2017	Friday 20 October 2017
Term 2	Monday 30 October 2017	Monday 18 December 2017
Term 3	Tuesday 2 January 2018	Friday 9 February 2018
Term 4	Monday 19 February 2018	Friday 23 March 2018
Term 5	Monday 9 April 2018	Friday 25 May 2018
Term 6	Monday 4 June 2018	Friday 20 July 2018

Please note that Year 6 SATs in 2017 will be week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> May 2018

### Menu Change



## St Patrick's Day

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March



Menu

Dublin Coddle  
Cheese & Potato Pie (V)



Cabbage  
Carrots



Irish Country Apple Cake


