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Remote Learning

In our last newsletter we introduced you to our new Seesaw remote learning app. This will enable children from years 1 to 6 to complete learning tasks at home, in school, share their work with family members and allow their teacher to comment on what they have done.

Pupils have all now had their personal QR codes which will allow them access to their pupil learning areas. This will enable them to complete and share work with their teacher online. The QR code is personal to your child and should be treated as you would any other password. All children who are off school for Covid-related reasons will now have work set via Seesaw which is in line with what other pupils their age would be doing in school.

On Monday 30th November the school sent out QR codes which will enable families to access their children's learning journal through the 'Seesaw family app'. You can find this in your app store on a smartphone. Please read the instructions that will accompany your QR codes as this provides you with some support on how to use Seesaw and how to support your child to submit their work. Please contact your child's class teacher should you need any support with using Seesaw or to request a new QR code.

End of lockdown and Tier 2 Restrictions

As we come out of the second national lockdown and enter tier 2 restrictions the school will still operate in exactly the same way it has done over the past few months. Staggered start and finish times will continue and we will still require all adults to wear a facemask while on the school site.

If your child is displaying any of the key Covid-19 symptoms then you must keep them off school and arrange for them to have a test as soon as possible.

If anyone in your household is displaying any of the key Covid-19 symptoms then the whole household must isolate and the person with symptoms must get a test.

Christmas Cards

The school would like to continue the tradition for children to send Christmas Cards to one another this year, despite the Covid-19 pandemic. If your child would like to send a Christmas Card to other children in school then they should bring their cards in on a **Monday or a Thursday only**. There will be a box in each classroom where any cards will be quarantined for 72 hours before being delivered to the children.

School App

Please remember to download the school app if you haven't already. The app can be found by going to the Apple or Android store on your smartphone, searching for 'OurSchools App' and entering the postcode: GL14 2QA.





Cross Country—Virtual Games

Well done to all of the children who took part in the virtual Forest of Dean Cross Country. We had 308 children from across the school taking part in the event which required children to run 400,800 or 1500m depending on their age. In total over 2000 children took part in the primary event across the Forest of Dean with Forest View having more children participating than any other school.

In the year 5/6 competition, Annabel from Kites class had the fastest time across the entire district running 1500m in 6 minutes 6 seconds. She was closely followed by Braydie from Harriers who finished second in the district with a time of 6 minutes 7 seconds.

In the y3/4 competition we took the top three spots with Quinn from Eagles class winning the district competition, running 800m in a time of 3 minutes 34 seconds. Second was Lacey from Eagles class with a time of 3 minutes 44 seconds and third was Isabella from Hawks with a time of 3 minutes 47 seconds.

Christmas Productions

Staff and children across the school are now preparing and rehearsing their Christmas Productions. This year they will be filmed and put on to an online space for you to view.

Head Lice

Many parents/carers have been in contact with the school to report cases of head lice. It is still important for all parents/carers to check their child's hair with a fine toothed 'nit comb' at least once a week.

Any signs of head lice should be treated accordingly and then repeated 5-7 days later to make sure any eggs are destroyed.

Christmas Jumper Day

We will be holding a Christmas Jumper day on Friday 11th December. Children will be able to come to school in non-uniform wearing a jumper. This year we will be raising money for both the local Food and Baby Banks who have helped so many local families during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Children in Need

Thank you to everyone that donated to our non-uniform day and purchased items of merchandise. We raised just over £560!

Car Parking

The school recognises that for many of you who are trying to avoid unnecessary contact with other people that dropping off and collecting children from the school gate helps you to achieve this.

In recent weeks the school has seen a large increase in cars using the top carpark gate as a drop-off and collection area. This is putting significant pressure on Latimer Road and with the volume of traffic now waiting in this area the road often gets blocked with cars unable to move. Many parents are also now parking or stopping on the zig-zag lines outside of school. Zig-zag lines outside school gates are a very important safety feature for children as it allows for visibility up and down the road to be increased making sure that road crossings can be made as safe as possible. Parents who use the zig-zag areas, the school gates or the pavement to park, drop-off or collect their children are causing a significant safety issue and it is making it almost impossible for pedestrians to cross the road safely outside of the school.

On most days the school's bottom carpark is often only at 50% capacity and there is ample space to accommodate the vehicles that now congregate around the school gates.

For the safety of our children we ask that you do not stop on the zig-zags or park around the school gates to drop-off and collect your children.





Super Reader

Well done to Rex, Poppy, Zac C, Thomas and Finley from Rabbits; Isabella, Antonia, Olly and Toren from Hedgehogs; Priya from Kites; Zoe and Sophia from Kestrels

Junior Superstars

Eagles: Kloe, Oliver and Kian
Falcons: Emily, Faith and Alfie
Hawks: Paige, Natasha and Amelia
Ospreys: Jet and Ollie
Kites: Owen, Cody, Asiah and Keelie
Kestrels: Alex, Noah, Denisa and Kameall
Harriers: Emily, Mackenzie and Darius
Merlins: Leo, Stefan, Austyn, Kayla and Bobbi

Values Awards

Kindness—Beckham from Kites; Tristan from Squirrels; Finley from Rabbits; Courtney from Kites; Alyssa from Hedgehogs

Honesty - Cody from Kites

Determination - Tallulah from Harriers; Poppy from Falcons

Cooperation - Emily from Rabbits; Daniel from Kites

Head Teachers Awards

Congratulations to Malik from Hedgehogs; Jacob from Kites; Jacob from Kestrels; Millie, Isla and Riley from Grasshoppers; Phoebe, Dominic and Rosalie from Otters; Tristan from Squirrels

Daily Mile

Fabulous running from Vivaan in Kestrels this week!

Infant Superstars

Dragonflies: Noah, Marcie-Mae and Evelyn
Grasshoppers: Ella, Marley and Oakley
Otters: Lily, Zachary and Felix
Rabbits: Elijah, Stanley and Miley
Squirrels: Bonnie, Cosmin and Lenny
Hedgehogs: Kyle, Tyler and Malik

Maths Champion

Well done to Amari, Asiah and Lily-Jane from Kites; Vivaan (Manga High), Oliver and Zoe from Kestrels; Joseph, Emily, Teagan, Kieran, Alex, Chloe and Nathan from Harriers

Handwriting Awards

Congratulations to Sophie, Myah, Isaac, Jessica and Abi from Eagles; Nevaeh from Kites

2020/21 Key Dates

2020/21 Academic Year

11/12/20 - Christmas Jumper Day
December 20 - Christmas Performances (VIRTUAL)
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18/12/20 - End of Term 2 (2pm)
4/1/21 - Start of Term 3
8/2/21 - Parents Consultation Week (TBC)
12/2/21 - End of Term 3
12/2/21 - Y5 In the Net Performance
22/2/21 - Start of Term 4
23/2/21 - 24/2/21 - E-Safety Workshops
11/3/21 - 12/3/21 - Y4 Viney Hill (Postponed from 2020)
26/3/21 - 29/3/21 - Y6 PGL (Postponed from 2020)
31/3/21 - Spring Showcase (TBC)
1/4/21 - End of Term 4 (2pm)
19/4/21 - Start of Term 5
20/4/21 - Y6 Leaver's Photographs
21/4/21 - 23/4/21 - Olympic Workshops
3/5/21 - Bank Holiday

4/5/21 - Start of KS1 Testing Period
10/5/21 - Start of KS2 Testing Period
14/5/21 - End of KS2 Testing Period
28/5/21 - End of KS1 Testing Period
28/5/21 - End of Term 5
7/6/21 - Start of Term 6
7/6/21 - Start of Y4 Multiplication Check Period
7/6/21 - Start of Y1 Phonic Screening Check Period
11/6/21 - End of Y1 Phonic Screening Check Period
25/6/21 - End of Y4 Multiplication Check Period
29/6/21 - EYFS Sports Morning (9.15am-10.15am)
29/6/21 - KS1 Sports Afternoon (1.30pm - 2.30pm)
1/7/21 - Y3/4 Sports Morning (9.15am - 10.15am)
1/7/21 - Y5/6 Sports Afternoon (1.30pm - 2.30pm)
9/7/21 - Summer Showcase
15/7/21 - Y6 Leaver's Afternoon and Performance
16/7/21 - End of Term 6 (2pm)

2021/22 Academic Year

6/9/21 - Start of Term 1

