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Dear Parents and Carers,

Finally, the beautiful weather is here and the children have enjoyed being outside, some lessons have even been outdoors this week and we have been ensuring children are covering up, drinking water regularly and staying in the shade if possible.

Nearly all of the Y6s have been out on their transition week for Dene Magna this week and the school doesn't feel the same without them! We have seen them at bus stops in the morning- we hope their week is going well and we look forward to seeing them back on Monday- a little older and wiser no doubt....

There is a lot to read this week in our jam packed newsletter!

Have a great weekend and enjoy the sunshine if it stays.

Anna-Mai Armstrong
Headteacher

WORSHIP

RESPECT

The new Worship Team are in training at the moment and while most of the Y6s are in Dene Magna this week, they have had a chance to practice their roles of responsibility. They enacted the Creation story imaginatively, showing us how Adam and Eve had not respected God's word.





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Class News

CHESTNUTS



This week Chestnuts have been spending lots of time outside. They have been practising for our sports morning that will take place in a couple of weeks. Chestnuts have continued to watch the caterpillars grow, they have now turned into chrysalis. As the weather has been nice, Chestnuts have been having their snack time outside with a story and musical instruments.



WILLOW

We have had another busy and fun week in Willow Class. In Literacy, we have been planning and starting our own stories based on the book, 'The Magic Bed' by John Burningham. In Art we have been learning about Andy Goldsworthy and we created our own sculptures in Forest School. We have been thinking about holidays in Geography and looking at places to go to in the United Kingdom. We have learnt the four countries that make up the UK. In R.E, we have been learning about Parables. We listened to the parable of the Prodigal Son and discussed the hidden meaning inside the story. We are still enjoying our ukulele lessons and look forward to performing to parents and carers on the afternoon of Wednesday 3rd July.



SYCAMORE

Sycamore Class have started their topic of branching databases in Computing in the last few weeks. They have asked and answered yes or no questions. They have worked hard on their class mosaic with Mrs Cracknell. In Maths the year 3s have been learning to multiply 2 digit and 1 digit numbers while the year 2s have looked at mass. In P.E we have been doing athletics and focused on sprinting, jogging and relay races so far. In Science we have planted and observed the difference between cress when they have sunlight and cress without. As I write this we are all very excited about our school trip to the Corinium Museum to learn more about everyday life in Britain in the Roman times.



OAK

Oak class have continued our healthy eating DT project by creating our own mini pizzas, we made sure that our designs had a range of toppings and that we didn't put too much cheese on. In English, we have finished exploring 'The Unforgotten Coat' by writing our own story based on it called 'The Unforgotten Hat', the children have used dialogue to move action on and a range of tenses. In Maths the year 4 and 5 have been working hard on units measuring angles and plotting coordinates. This last week many of the Year 6s have been out and we've been able to show off our progress in our assessments.



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Celebration Awards

Every Friday we celebrate pupil's effort, attitude and achievement during our Celebration Assembly. ***If your child achieves something spectacular out of school, they are welcome to bring in medals, trophies or certificates on a Friday and we will share their success with the whole school.***

We would like to invite all parents and carers to our weekly Celebration assembly, which is held at 1pm every Friday.

Reception: Lilly, Evie

Year One: Eliza, Mckenzie

Year Two: Lily, Max P

Year Three: Eden, Rex

Year Four: Olive, Jack

Year Five: Noah, Xanthe

Year Six: Adam, Ava

The Westbury Way Award

for a pupil who consistently demonstrates

The Westbury Way

- Safe at all times
 - Respectful to Everyone
 - Ready to Learn
- The recent award went to **Adam** and **Lewys**



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Dates for your diary:



3rd July: Ukelele concert for Willow parents and New Parents meeting at 5pm

5th July: School Production performances at the Parish Hall- **ONE NIGHT ONLY-SOLD OUT**

8th July: Sports Week begins- a week of exciting Physical activities – PE kit all week please

10th July: Chestnuts Sports morning

11th July: Whole school Sports morning followed by Parent Picnic

12th July: End of Year Reports emailed out to parents

16th July: End of year Church Service 2pm for the whole school with End of Year Values Certificates and Y6 Bibles and hoodies ceremony. Hotdogs and refreshments will be served in playground afterwards organised by Friends of Westbury. Everyone welcome!

18th July: 8:30am End of theme Open Classrooms/Drop in- All Parents/Carers welcome. Uniform Sale in the hall run by Friends of Westbury.

Whole school Walk to River Severn, weather permitting, 1-3pm.

19th July: Y6 Leavers Assembly in school hall 2pm- LAST DAY OF TERM

Staffing updates

We have appointed a teacher for Willow Class, part time, for September who will be teaching on Thursdays and Fridays. Her name is Grace George and we are very pleased that she is joining the team. She will be visiting the school this term and attending the new Parents and Carers meeting, which is now timetabled for Wednesday 3rd July at 5pm.

We will be interviewing for a new TA and Lunchtime supervisor this Friday and will inform you of any new appointments.

Attendance update

Whole school from September 2023-June 2024 : **92.77%**

Whole School Target - 96%



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GARDENING CLUB



Do you enjoy gardening?

We are looking for a kind volunteer to offer a Gardening club, either at lunchtime or after school. We have lovely grounds, with raised beds in Forest School and tubs outside and around school, that need tending. Please let the school office know if you might be able to give some time. The children would very much enjoy working in nature and improving the school environment.

OPAL- donations needed

For our OPAL playtimes we are looking for

- more dressing up clothes/old clothes to dress in
- some picnic style outdoor blankets for children to sit on.
- outdoor friendly storage- trunks/boxes for example.
- Bike helmets for Wiggle cars
- Buckets and spades for sandpit



Other DONATIONS needed

Occasionally, children in school have toileting accidents. If you have any spare boxers shorts, or pants or school uniform that you do not need anymore (skirts or trousers), we would appreciate having spares in school for those moments, thank you.



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CHARITY FUNDRAISER on 21st June



Everyone came dressed in “The Wrong Trousers” last Friday in school. Ian and Cath visited to see our funny clothes and to give the classes updates on Marcus’s treatment.

So far they have raised over £2k for Bristol Children’s Hospital which is incredible.

Thanks to everyone who donated- the link is still in our Instagram bio.



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FOREST VIEW PRIMARY SCHOOL, CINDERFORD

22ND JULY - 23RD AUGUST

8.30am-5.30pm



For Ages
5-13
Years



Contact the office on: 01889 343120

<https://progressive-sports.co.uk/north-gloucestershire/book-a-course/holiday-courses/>

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[\(Summer\) Forest View Primary School Active Camp \(5 - 13yrs\) at Forest View Primary School, Gloucestershire | Progressive Sports North Glos | Powered by ClassForKids](#)



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We would like to make you aware of the **holiday Free School Meal (FSM) voucher scheme** that Gloucestershire County Council is currently offering to families in Gloucestershire.

The holiday vouchers are designed to support the families of eligible children in reception to year 11 who receive Pupil Premium (income-related) free school meals and attend a school in Gloucestershire, where no other support is available.

Gloucestershire County Council is committed to supporting families with 2 weeks of vouchers at £15 per eligible child, per week for the Summer 2024 holiday.

The other 4 weeks of the holiday are supported through the HAF programme, which provides a meal for children attending the activities they are booked onto. For more information, please visit [Gloucestershire HAF](#) where you can also sign up to the Children's Activities Booking System (CABS). The HAF programme is a separate scheme, and vouchers cannot be issued as an alternative.

Applications for holiday FSM vouchers for Summer 2024 holiday will be open from **midday 25 June 2024** until **midday on 09 July 2024**. We will be unable to accept any applications after this date. Vouchers will be distributed to families the week commencing 15 July 2024.

Families can apply to the holiday voucher scheme via our website here: [Holiday free school meal vouchers | Gloucestershire County Council](#). Please note we check eligibility for the scheme by cross-referencing with the term-time free school meal register, so please make sure you have registered your child beforehand.

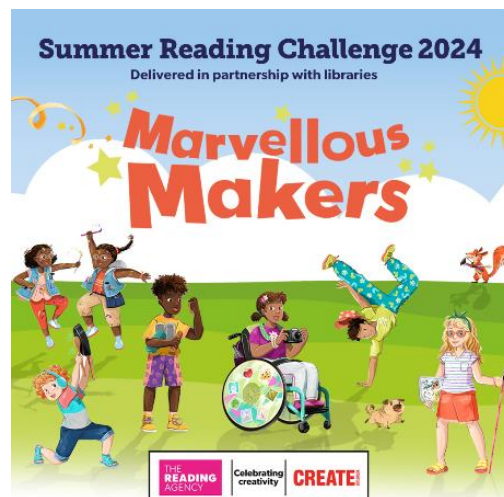
Families who have signed up previously do not need to re-register. For any families wishing to update details of an existing application, please email childrensfund@gloucestershire.gov.uk by 10 July 2024, so we can update your account before the voucher codes are issued.

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>



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We are having an Assembly today in school for the **Summer Reading Challenge**, which is held in all Gloucestershire Libraries. You can log in, create a profile and get rewards when you visit the library during the summer. If your child(ren) complete the challenge, they get a certificate and we will celebrate this in September in school. See the link above.

Reading for Pleasure is the greatest gift you can give your child. Strong readers fare better academically in all subjects.

Cinderford Library

Opening times

Monday:	10:00-13:00, 14:00-17:00
Tuesday:	10:00-13:00, 14:00-17:00
Wednesday:	10:00-13:00, 14:00-17:00
Thursday:	10:00-13:00, 14:00-17:00
Friday:	10:00-13:00, 14:00-19:00
Saturday:	10:00-13:00
Sunday:	Closed

Safeguarding updates for Parents and Carers: ONLINE SAFETY



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FAKE NEWS

In 2021, research from the [UK Safer Internet Centre](#) explored how **'Half of young people encounter misleading content online on a daily basis'**. Alongside this, the research also found that **'48% of young people are seeing misleading content every day, with more than one in 10 seeing it more than six times a day – often leaving them feeling annoyed, upset, sad, angry, attacked or scared'**

To help combat the impact of misinformation, the [Online Media Literacy Strategy](#) was launched to, in part, 'support teachers, carers, youth workers and librarians in their skills to help children and young people in their critical thinking skills, to spot misinformation online.'

Teachers, parents and carers can utilise guidance such as the Online Media Literacy Strategy to help young people spot misinformation on social media and across other online platforms. We have put together some further tips to support the young people around you to combat misleading online content. Read more by clicking on the icons below or watch our video above.



Increase your own knowledge about misinformation



Talk to the young people in your care



Direct young people to trusted sources



Highlight appropriate reporting options

<https://swgfl.org.uk/topics/social-media/misinformation-on-social-media-guidance-impact-and-support/>



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HEAD LICE



Please could children with long hair keep their hair tied up or back since head lice is doing the rounds.

**Treatments only work up to a certain point-
gloopy conditioner and a good nit comb
work wonders. This is best done nightly for
a few days if your child's hair is infested-
worth checking even if they are not itching.**

Thank you!