

Dear Parents / Carers,

Two weeks to go and Autumn has officially arrived ...

Term Dates

Term one: Tuesday 1st September – Friday 23rd October
Term two: Monday 2nd November – Friday 18th December
Term three: Monday 4th January – Friday 12th February
Term four: Monday 22nd February – Thursday 25th March
Term five: Monday 12th April – Friday 28th May
Term six: Monday 7th June – Wednesday 21st July

Inset Days

School will be closed to all pupils on the following days:

- Monday 2nd November
- Monday 22nd February
- Monday 3rd May (Bank Holiday)
- Friday 28th May

Event Reminders

October

- 15th – Open morning (09:30-11:30)
- 19th – School photos
- 21st – Deadline for pumpkin carving competition
- 23rd – Deadline for tea towel and coaster orders
- 23rd – Pumpkin carving prizes awarded in assembly
- 23rd – FOBS fancy dress, trail and disco / End of Term 1
- 26th-30th – Half term (Camp with 'Mr A' Mon-Wed)

November

- 4th-6th – Stroud Book Festival
- 13th – Flu immunisations
- 12th – Open morning (09:30-11:30)

December

- 15th – Nativity performance (2pm)
- 16th – Rocksteady concert (2.30pm)
- 16th – Nativity performance (6pm)
- 18th – End of Term Two
- 21st-23rd – Camp with 'Mr A'

Weekly Reminders

- Mucky Mondays – Ladybirds and Robins
- Forest School - Wednesdays (see below)
- Rocksteady - Wednesdays

Forest School

Term one: Dragonfly	Term two: Kingfisher
Term three: Otter	Term four: Dragonfly
Term five: Kingfisher	Term six: Otter

Attendance

Whole school attendance for the last two weeks was 96.5%.

Individual class totals are:

Robins 97.7%
Dragonfly 99.0%
Kingfisher 95.0%
Otter 94.3%

Class Updates

Ladybirds enjoyed their trip to the Food Bank and joining in Yoga with Robins. They have been busy painting pebbles with water to improve their fine motor skills and creating Bear Hunt artwork. They are loving learning new songs in Rhyme Time and playing on the new climbing equipment, generously donated by Rob at Ligneus. Thank you!

Robins have been working hard in Guided Reading exploring wordless books and using the illustrations to develop their storytelling, communication and comprehension skills. They are really enjoying the new climbing frame in the outdoor area, developing their confidence and physical skills and had great fun on their trip to the Food Bank. Thank you again to all the parent volunteers.

Dragonfly have been loving Forest School where they have worked with clay and made swings and hammocks. In Maths, the children have been exploring 2D and 3D shapes and in Writing, they have been using their imagination to create stories about a day at the beach.

Kingfisher have been learning about the forces of magnets in Science. In PSHE, linking with World Mental Health Day, lessons have been focused on wellbeing and healthy relationships. The children created fantastic imaginative Art using tone, shading and lines and in Writing, they have started train mystery narration.

Otters have been creating diary entries in Writing based on 'The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind'. In Science, the children have been investigating what changes the output in circuits and, in RE, how The Holy Trinity is represented.

ParentPay

A gentle reminder for all debts on ParentPay (excluding PGL 2027) to be cleared by the end of October.

Preschool Request

Mrs B has asked if anyone has a conifer Christmas tree in a tub they would be willing to donate so Preschool can look after it, all year round, before bringing it inside to decorate in December.