



## WEEKLY REMINDER: 23RD MARCH

Our Christian value this term is **Justice**.

DAY	WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK
<b>MONDAY</b> 23rd March	<b>9am Music Lessons</b> <b>Cycle Ready</b> <b>ASC CHOIR CLUB</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b> 24th March	<b>Sports Breakfast Club</b> <b>PE Morning - Children to wear uniform and change into PE kit.</b> <b>ASC POTTERY CLUB</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 25th March	<b>NO DANCE CLUB</b> <b>All ASCs finish at 4pm</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b> 26th March	<b>Easter Service 2:15pm at All Saints Church</b> <b>ASC SATs CLUB</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b> 27th March	<b>PE Afternoon - Children to wear uniform and change into PE kit.</b> <b>NO SPORTS CLUB</b> <b>END OF TERM 4</b>

ADVANCED DIARY DATES	
Monday 13th April	START OF TERM 5
Wednesday 15th April	STEMworks Knex challenge
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Cookery Day
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	END OF TERM 5

## ATTENDANCE

Attendance in school is key to our children's learning. Since the beginning of term there have been 433.8 morning or afternoon sessions missed. This is equivalent to 216.9 days of education. Please ensure that your child attends school. We have 42 children in school so the average per child is 5.16 days lost learning. For more information regarding Term Time absence, please visit our Pupil Attendance and Absence Policy on our website:

<https://www.northcerney.gloucs.sch.uk/web/attendance/664001>

We will update this announcement every week.

## LETTERS SENT HOME OVER THE LAST WEEK

Sent to YR-Y6 - Parent Forum & End of Day Pick up

Sent to YR - Y6 - After School Club Activities 2025/2026 Term 5 - Booking now open

## ARE YOU READY FOR SPRING HAF?

The Holiday Activity and Food program (HAF) returns this spring with lots of fun activities and delicious food available for children and families from Saturday 28 March.

HAF activities are available for children and young people who receive benefits-related free school meals. This Spring we are also able to extend this offer to any child who may benefit from attending the program, through our grant funded Holiday Activities Program (HAP).

**Activities will be available for viewing from midday on Wednesday 18 March. Bookings go live at midday on Monday 23 March.** Make sure you're ready to book by checking your Family Hubs account now. Visit the [Family Hub website and booking system here](#). Use our handy checklist below to make sure that:

- All children have an individual profile added to your account.
- Emergency contact details are filled in for each child taking part in activities.
- Any Special Education Needs and Disability information is included for each child taking part in activities.
- Your details reflect any recent changes (e.g. new address, phone contact details)

Keeping child profiles up to date helps ensure smooth bookings and the best support for your child. A complete and up to date profile means:

- Faster bookings
- Better support for your children
- Fewer delays or issues during HAF sessions

Bloodhound Education are the Community Connectors for the Cotswolds so please contact them on [accounts@bloodhoundeducation.com](mailto:accounts@bloodhoundeducation.com) or call on 02081503767 Monday to Friday 9.30am - 2.30pm if you have any questions on how to sign up.



**HAF  
Spring 2026  
is coming!**

Make sure you're signed up  
and ready to book!

**Bookings open  
Monday 23 March at midday**

View events from midday on Wednesday 18 March.  
Scan the QR code and press 'start onboarding'  
to begin your sign-up process.  
Visit <https://familyhubs.gloucestershire.gov.uk>

SCAN ME

The poster features three photographs: a group of children sitting on the ground eating, a boy and a girl smiling together, and a group of children in orange sports kits on a field. A QR code is located in the bottom right corner.

## CO-OPTED GOVERNOR VACANCY

### **Bibury & North Cerney Joint Governing Body**

The Joint Governing Body of **Bibury Primary School** and **North Cerney Primary School** is seeking to appoint a **co-opted governor**, ideally with **experience or interest in Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)**.

This is a rewarding voluntary role where you can make a real difference to the lives of children, staff, and the wider school community.

#### **About the role**

As a co-opted governor, you will:

- Help shape the strategic direction of the schools
- Provide support and constructive challenge to school leaders
- Contribute to ensuring all pupils, including those with SEND, can thrive

You do **not** need prior governing experience — training and ongoing support will be provided.

**We are particularly interested in applicants who:**

- Have knowledge or experience of **SEND** (professional or personal)
- Are interested in inclusion, wellbeing, and equality of opportunity
- Can work collaboratively and bring an independent perspective

#### **Time commitment**

- **Six evening meetings per year**, held on **Wednesday evenings**
- Occasional reading or training outside of meetings

Meetings are well-planned, purposeful, and respectful of governors' time.

#### **Why become a governor?**

- Make a meaningful contribution to your local community
- Develop new skills in leadership, strategy, and education
- Gain insight into how schools operate
- Be part of a supportive and committed governing team

**Interested?** If you would like to find out more or express an interest, please contact:

#### **Amy Bennett-Bright**

Clerk to Governor - [Clerk@bibury.dgat.org.uk](mailto:Clerk@bibury.dgat.org.uk)

We would be delighted to hear from you.

## THANK YOU TO THE NCSA

A big thank you to the NCSA for sourcing and placing soe new seating on the school field.

They are really appreciated and will make a meaningful difference for everyone that uses the space.

A special thank you as well to Jess James who made this happen. Your contribution is very much appreciated, by all of us at the school.



## NORTH CERNEY SCAMPER

The North Cerney Scamper returns on Saturday 16th May at 10am.

This is a community event, raising money for the School and the Village Hall. This year children can enter the 5k from 8years old (accompanied by an adult) so do consider taking part.

Alternatively, we would welcome volunteers to Marshall the route or just come and support and join everyone for tea and cake in the village hall afterwards.

It's always a lovely community event!

Any questions, or volunteers, do message Jess on 07999572658.



## THANK YOU & GOODBYE TO MR MURAN

We would like to say a heartfelt thank you to Mr Muran who will sadly leave us at the end of this week.



During his time here he has made a wonderful impact teaching in Kingfisher class and being sports lead across the schools .

We wish Mr Muran all the best for the future and thank him sincerely for all he has contributed.

Goodbye and Good luck!

## PARENT FORUM & END OF DAY PICK UP ROUTINE

A big thank you to everyone who joined our forum on Friday! Your ideas and feedback were incredibly helpful, and the conversation largely focused on how we can make communication with you even better. We'll be working on these improvements over the next few weeks.

One change you'll notice right away is in our end-of-day pick-up routine. The gate will now be opened, and we warmly invite parents into the playground to collect their children—making pick-up a little easier and more relaxed for everyone.

## ONLINE SAFETY: HEALTH, WELLBEING AND LIFESTYLE

We want to support parents and children to feel confident in using technology safely.

Here are our weekly e-safety tips for Health, Wellbeing and Lifestyle.



### Ways to Support Your Child at Home

- Create healthy routines** – Encourage regular breaks from screens, especially before bedtime, to support good sleep.
- Model balance** – Show your child how you balance online and offline activities in your own life.
- Talk about age restrictions** – Explain why games, films, and apps have age ratings and why it's important to stick to them.
- Discuss online spending** – Teach children about in-app purchases and the importance of asking permission before buying anything online.
- Encourage positive use** – Explore wellbeing apps, creative tools, or educational platforms together to show how technology can be helpful.
- Support self-awareness** – Ask your child how they feel after using technology — happy, calm, frustrated, or tired — and discuss strategies to manage those feelings.
- Help them recognise pressure** – Talk about how apps, games, and websites are sometimes designed to keep people online for longer, and explore ways to manage this, such as setting timers or using “night mode.”
- Keep conversations open** – Reassure your child that they can talk to you if they feel pressured or if technology is affecting their health, sleep, or relationships.

## EXTERNAL NOTICES

**yg FAMILY SUPPORT**

Supporting parents to understand their children's mental health through therapeutic interactive workshops

Focus for face workshops are designed to support parents through every stage of their child's journey. Gain confidence and practical skills to navigate challenging moments with ease.

**Healthy coping strategies & building resilience, ending with looking after my own wellbeing**  
10-12 midday  
16th March 2026

**Social media and mental health**  
10-12 midday  
13th April 2026

**Communicating with teens - understanding their mental health**  
10-12 midday  
11th May 2026

**Venue address**  
Cirencester Impact Centre - 47 Lewis Lane,  
Cirencester, GL7 1EB

To book email  
get.renewed@youngsgis.org.uk  
or sharon.houlton@youngsgis.org.uk  
www.youngsgis.org.uk  
01452 501008

Charity No. 261797

**ST PETER'S CHURCH**

**TOGETHER SUNDAY**

**JAN 18<sup>TH</sup> – 9:30AM, FEB 15<sup>TH</sup> – 9:30AM, MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup> – 9:30AM  
APRIL 19<sup>TH</sup> – 9:30AM, MAY 17<sup>TH</sup> – 9:30AM, JUNE 21<sup>ST</sup> – 9:30AM**

**BIBLE STORIES, SONGS, CRAFTS, GAMES AND MORE!**  
**FREE CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST**

**FREE TO ATTEND**

**UNDER 18s**  
**EASTER CRAFT WORKSHOPS**

**New Brewery Arts**  
CIRENCESTER

- Paper collage
- Machine sewing
- Leatherwork
- Wood carving
- Needle felting
- Mandala painting

[www.newbreweryarts.org.uk](http://www.newbreweryarts.org.uk)

**WHAT'S ON Holiday fun**  
**EASTER HALF TERM...**  
At Kids Stuff Cirencester

**Week 1: Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March-Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April**

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March**  
**Hopping Bunnies - Craft Table: 10:30am-12pm**  
Join us to create some hopping bunnies or any other animal which takes your imagination. For all ages and abilities.

**Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March**  
**Windchimes - Craft Table: 10:30am-12pm**  
Create a lovely sounding windchime with beads, buttons and other noisy bits and pieces. For all ages and abilities.

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April**  
**Watercolour Eggs - Craft Table: 10:30am-12pm**  
Paintbrushes at the ready, have fun with paint, cotton wool and easter shapes to create some artwork. For all ages and abilities.

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April**  
**Easter Wreaths - Craft Table: 10:30am-12pm**  
Create your very own Easter wreaths to take home and hang on your door or in a room, to celebrate Easter. For all ages and abilities.

**Scavenger Hunt all week - Pick up a sheet from the till area**

**All Offered: Drop-in, Join-in, Pay-As-You-Can**  
If you enjoy our activities and are able to, please pop a donation in the pot at the till or donate online. This helps us provide more sessions to support local families. Thank you!

The Long Table will be offering pay-as-you-can kits packed lunches & Lunch throughout the Easter holidays. Lunches are daily, 12:00pm subject to availability.  
If you don't have a pot, please bring your own.  
Find us at: The Old Department Store, 29-35 Market Pl, Cirencester GL7 2NX  
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**Week 2: Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> - Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April**

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April**  
**Animal Portraits - Craft Table: 10:30am-12pm**  
Create some egg box animal portraits. For all ages and abilities.  
**Clothes Rummage Sale: 10:00am-4pm**  
The first Tuesday of every month - come and have a rummage in our overstock boxes of sorted clothes - ship by size, prices start from 50p.

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April**  
**Egg Cup Chickens - Craft Table: 10:30am-12pm**  
Wednesday we are having a go at creating some egg box chickens with extra feathers. For all ages and abilities.  
**Author Annie Rider: Reading afternoon 3pm-4pm**  
Author Annie Rider is coming along to Kids Stuff to read her wonderful book - Happy Caterpillar. Come along and have a lovely time with Annie.

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April**  
**Spoon Easter Puppets - Craft Table: 10:30am-12pm**  
Make Easter inspired spoon puppets, bunnies, chicks - its up to you, let's have our own puppet show for all ages and abilities.  
**Sportily - Family fitness session 10:30am-11:30am**  
Join us for a Easter half term Sportily special in the Play area. A fitness session for all the family, the book www.sportily.org.uk or on arrival.

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April**  
**Pipe Cleaner Animals - Craft Table: 10:30am-12pm**  
Bend, twist, shape, pipe cleaner animals for all ages and abilities.  
**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April**  
**Family Printmaking Workshop 10:30am-12pm**  
Join us at Cirencester for a family printmaking workshop for children and parents. All ages welcome.  
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