



WEEKLY REMINDER: 6TH – 10TH DECEMBER 2021

Our Christian value this term is Compassion

DAY	WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK
MONDAY 6 th	ASC - Street Dance (3:00-4:00pm)
TUESDAY 7 th	Pupil music lessons ASC - Yoga (3:00-4:00pm)
WEDNESDAY 8 th	
THURSDAY 9 th	ASC - Multisport with Miss Dunn (3:00-4:00pm) (Last session this term)
FRIDAY 10 th PE DAY	8:00am Breakfast sports club ASC - Sports Club with Mr Peters (3:00-4:00pm) (Last session this term)

ADVANCED DIARY DATES	
13 th December	KS2 Virtual Sports Athletics
14 th December	Nativity Performances (2:00pm) at All Saints Church, North Cerney
16 th December	Christmas Lunch & "Wear something fun or festive" day
	NCSA Movie Night
17 th December	End of term
4 th January	Inset Day
5 th January	Term 3 begins
6 th January	Breakfast sports club resumes
	PE lesson day
	ASC Multi-sports with Miss Dunn resumes
7 th January	ASC Sports with Mr Peters resumes

Dear Parents,

COVID-19 rates do seem to be rising in the area. In line with the most recent government guidance, please can we remind parents to:

- Continue wearing facemasks at drop-off/collection times
- Stay social distanced at drop-off and collection times
- Test twice weekly with lateral flow tests

If you are concerned that your child has any of the following symptoms, you should take them for a PCR test:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough (this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste (this means you have noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal).

WEEKLY SHOUT OUTS

Congratulations to those that have achieved their Star and Athletics Certificates this week.

WREN CLASS - Miss Dunn

Zach for settling in so well at school

Lola for an excellent piece of independent writing

Bronze Athletics: Poppy, Esther and Rory

KINGFISHER CLASS - Mr McGann

Emmy for excellent work in English

Arrie for working hard in every lesson

OWL CLASS - Mrs Lewis

Willow for perseverance in Maths

Eleanor for perseverance in DT.

ATTENDANCE BEAR

Congratulations to Kingfisher class who have won the attendance bear for the week commencing 29th November. Ernie will sit in Kingfisher class this week.

BIRTHDAYS



Congratulations to Gracie and Eve in Wren class, who will be celebrating their birthday this week.

SCHOOL NATIVITY

In line with the school's COVID-19 risk assessment, we have made the difficult decision to ask parents not to come to the Nativity performances. The children will still perform at All Saints Church but behind closed doors. We will record the performance and make this available for parents to watch and will communicate this during the last week of term.

SPORTS HALL ATHLETICS

A reminder to all KS2 pupils that they need to wear their PE kit to school on Monday 13th December for the virtual sports hall athletics session with Helen Pauling.

PE/SWIMMING LESSONS

Swimming lessons have now finished for this term and will resume in term 4 (with the first session on Friday 4th March). Pupils will not need their swim kits on Friday 10th or 17th December, but will still need to come to school wearing their PE kit for lessons.

In term 3 PE lessons will revert to Thursdays, including sports breakfast club.

ASC Sports with Mr Peters will remain on a Friday at 3:00pm. Please note that there will be no club on Friday 17th December.

HOT LUNCH SWAPOVER

Due to Christmas lunch on Thursday 16th December, the kitchen will be swapping Thursday's original menu to Wednesday (instead of Wednesday's normal roast day). A reminder of the choices from Thursday, which will now take place on Wednesday 15th December:

- Chicken Pie served with mashed potatoes and vegetables
- Vegetable Pasta Bake served with vegetables
- Jacket Potato served with filling

Parents do not need to do anything other than remember their child's lunch choice. If you need a reminder, please get in touch with the office.

HOT LUNCHES SPRING MENU

Please note that the spring term hot lunches menu remains the same as the autumn menu. Parents do not need to do anything and the office will continue with current choices. If your child would like to make any changes, it would be helpful to receive these before the end of term.

If your child is not enjoying their choices during term time, they are welcome to make changes at any time. Please just email the office with your changes.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

The following after school clubs will be continuing into Term 3. Pupil lists will start afresh from 5th January and all pupils who wish to attend will need to book a place with the office. A reminder that these are booked on a first-come-first-serve basis:

Monday	Street Dance (all year groups) <i>OPEN FOR BOOKINGS 10 places left</i>
Tuesday	Possible Lego club (all year groups)
Wednesday	
Thursday	Multi sports (year 2-6) <i>OPEN FOR BOOKINGS 8 places left</i>
Friday	Sports with Mr Peters (all year groups) <i>FULLY BOOKED</i>

We currently have 12 pupils who are interested in Lego club. To make this a viable option we would need 3 more pupils for a club of 15 pupils. Please let the office know as soon as possible if your child is interested. A reminder about the club:

We are also looking into the possibility of running a Lego club next term. The club would be open to all year groups and would replace Yoga on a Tuesday, 3:00-4:00pm with an approximate cost of £4.79 per session (£28.74 for 6 sessions).

The club format and resources are provided by an external provider, with Mrs Reed delivering the sessions. The club links with termly themes (set by the provider) which the children would then build each session. For example, Antarctica and building an iceberg!

Each week, photos of the best build would be uploaded onto the provider's website where there will be inter-school competitions and a leader board. Parents can vote online and at the end of the year the winner is awarded Lego City prizes.

This looks a really exciting opportunity for the school and pupils to try. At this stage we are looking to gauge numbers to see how many interested children we may have. If your child would like to attend a Lego ASC, please let the school office know by Friday 3rd December.

STAFFING UPDATE

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Natalie Brownsil to the school office team as Academy Administrator. Natalie will be working Wednesday-Friday from 15th December and we would like to extend a very warm welcome.

Mrs Royds will continue to work in the office Monday-Tuesday.

The new office hours are:

Monday-Tuesday: 8:30am-2:30pm

Wednesday-Friday: 8:30am-1:15pm

PARENT QUESTIONNAIRES

Thank you for sending back the parent questionnaires. The results were overwhelmingly positive with 100% of parents responding that they would recommend the school. Please would you take the time to add your view to the Ofsted Parent View survey which is analysed by Ofsted ahead of an inspection. [Give your views | Ofsted Parent View](#)

NCSA RAFFLE TICKETS

Please return raffle ticket money and stubs in the envelope provide, by Friday 10th December. Please also return any unused tickets.

FOODBANK

If you are experiencing financial difficulties and are in need of a foodbank parcel, please get in touch with either the school office or Mrs Pascoe and this can be arranged.

DECEMBER HOLIDAY FREE SCHOOL MEAL VOUCHERS

During the December holiday period, Gloucestershire County Council is providing vouchers to parents who have signed up to our Holiday Free School Meals (FSM) scheme. These vouchers are provided by Gloucestershire County Council as part of its commitment to 'no child goes hungry'. The vouchers are funded through COVID-19 grant funding we have received and is separate to that of the term time free school meals.

Parents who have signed up to the scheme will receive a voucher for £30 for each child who is eligible for FSM which will cover both weeks in the December holidays.

Parents who have signed up previously do not need to re-register, they have already been included, but, to ensure we get all who are eligible, we are encouraging new parents to sign up as soon as they can.

Applications for Holiday Free School Meal Vouchers for the December holiday period is open from Friday 26 November until midday Monday 13 December. Voucher emails will be sent out

between 13 and 15 December. If parents apply after the deadline, we cannot guarantee delivery of vouchers before 25 December.

For more information and for sign up if you haven't already please visit our website: the [Holiday Free School Meal vouchers page on](#) our website.

Please contact childrensfund@gloucestershire.gov.uk if you have any queries not answered on the Holiday Free School Meal vouchers page.