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Newsletter



MESSAGE FROM MRS MILES

Dear Parents & Carers,

We have come to the end of term 3 and it has been a packed six weeks, a half term break is well deserved.

A massive congratulations to the children in KS1 for a super 'Great Fire of London' performance to school and to parents, the singing was super. Thank you to all of the staff for preparing them so well with the speaking roles and the dancing.

Thank you for supporting our Number Day so well with the fantastic outfits and to all our staff who took part, it was great to involve you all with our voting which was closely fought!! Thank you to Mr Morris for the planning of this day. We have also had our first school House event with a House Singing afternoon, thank you to Mrs Baggus for organising and coordinating the event.

We say a fond farewell to Mrs Hughes who is leaving us and thank her for all the support that she has given our nursery and wish her all the best. We also say thank you and all the best to our School Business Manager, Mr Turner who is moving onto a secondary school setting. We wish Mrs Savage all the best on her maternity leave and look forward to meeting the new addition to her family.

Have a lovely half term with family and friends.

Best wishes,

Mrs Miles

Smoking and Vaping

As you know we have a strict rule of no smoking on the school premises. This rule also applies to vaping, please do not smoke or vape on school premises. We also ask you to be mindful when you smoke outside the school gates, a number of concerned parents have highlighted to us that they are walking past several smokers directly outside the school gates and there are cigarette butts and vaping devices being found by the entrance to the school. Please also be aware that you cannot smoke in a car (yes, even your own) if one of the passengers is a child under 12.

Class Dojo Award

Class	06.02.26	Half term hero
Nursery	Ronnie Diya	Harriet Indy
RA	Annabelle Minnie	Talia
1/2A	Evie B Elsie	Eliza
1/2B	Alisha Eduard	Makenzie
1/2C	Henry Serafima	Coen
3/4A	Aissa Lily	Amelia Mutton
3/4B	Meadow Poppy	Kayler
3/4C	Jasmine Nathan	Emily
5/6A	Aston Layton	Christopher
5/6B	Dixie Elsa	Harper
5/6C	Tobias Jacob	Ava W

Dates for 2025/26

February

Friday 13th

Last day of Term 3

Monday 23rd

First day of Term 4

March

Tuesday 3rd

In the Net performance Y4

Thursday 5th

World Book Day

Friday 6th

Y5/6 netball tournament

W/B 9th

Mock SATS week

W/B 16th

Last week of clubs

Thursday 19th

Art and Geography Day

Friday 20th

Comic Relief

Tuesday 24th

Parents' Evening 3.30 – 7pm

Wednesday 25th

Parents' Evening 3.30 – 5pm

Friday 27th

Last day of Term 4 – 1.15pm finish

Parking

We have received complaints from the school's neighbours regarding inconsiderate and often illegal parking by parents accessing the school in the mornings and the afternoons, including parking on the zig-zag lines outside school. Please walk to school wherever possible as not only is this a healthy way to get some exercise, but it supports the local community with congestion. In addition, it is better for the environment.

Thank you in advance.

General Information and Updates

Bikes and Scooters – Please can you remind your child these should not be ridden on the school site.

Naming school uniform - We have lots of uniform without names on, we cannot return items if we do not know whose it is. Please can you name (even if it is with a biro), your child's name or initials.

Sickness – Please can we remind parents that a child that has had sickness or diarrhoea should not return to school or nursery until 48 hours after the last incident.

Headlice – Please check your child/ren's hair regularly for headlice and treat immediately if necessary. Supermarket own brand conditioner and a headlice comb should remove the lice.

Parent Pay - A kind reminder to all families that we are a zero-debt policy school, please ensure that your school dinner balances are topped up.

Dear Parents

Supporting children as they develop a love of reading and build essential literacy skills.

Whether you can spare an hour a week or a little more, your time can make a big difference! Volunteers will work with small groups or individual students, helping them practice reading, improve confidence, and enjoy stories together in a fun and relaxed environment. **No teaching experience is required**—just a love for reading and a willingness to encourage young learners in.

If you are interested in volunteering, please leave your details with the school office. We truly appreciate your support and look forward to welcoming you into our reading community.

Gloucestershire County Council is offering Bikeability courses during all 2026 school holidays. These courses are designed for children aged 9–14 and help build cycling confidence and safety skills in small groups with qualified instructors.

2026 Course Locations & Dates:

February Half-Term: Ashley Manor Prep School, Cheltenham

Easter Holidays: Bournside School, Cheltenham

May Half-Term: Kingshill School

Summer Holidays: Skillzone (2 sessions available)

Course Details:

Cost: £10 per course (2 x 2-hour sessions)

Bikes: Available subject to availability

Booking: <https://forms.office.com/e/vBSvziEEBk>



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Community Café- Cirencester

Come along and unwind at our friendly Community Café!

Enjoy a cuppa and a chat in a warm and welcoming space.

Meet new people, catch up with friends, and have the chance to talk to our team for any advice you may need – from bedtime routines and play ideas, to local support and signposting.

Everyone is welcome! No need to book, just drop in.

- All sessions are free!
- Friday's 1pm to 3pm

 The Impact Centre, 47 Lewis Lane, Cirencester, Gloucestershire, GL7 1EB

 For more information please contact: cotswoldschildrenandfamilycentre@family-action.org.uk

 Or call 01453 545904

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Stay, Play & Learn Sessions- Cirencester

Spend quality time playing, creating and exploring with your child in a nurturing and child-friendly environment.

Healthy snack provided!

No need to book- just drop in!

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- All sessions are FREE!
- Every Thursday 1pm to 2:30pm
- Ages 0-5 years

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What's on: Cotswolds Children and Family Centre

Join us, make memories and meet others in your area!

Monday

SHINE PND

- 9:30am-11:00am
- Invite only
- Term time only

Weaning Group

- 1:30pm-3:30pm

Therapeutic Parenting

- 16th March, 13th April and 1st May
- 10:00am-12:00pm
- Contact sharon.houl
- ton@youngglos.org.uk

11-14 Youth Group

- 3:30pm-6:30pm

Tuesday



Wednesday

Play Gloucestershire

- Bourton on the Water Primary School (Coming Soon to Melville Park)
- 4:00pm-6:00pm



Thursday

Stay, Play and Learn Drop in

- 1:00pm-2:30pm



Friday

Community Cafe

- 1:00pm-3:00pm



All sessions are free!
Please contact us for more details.

Contact us:

Family Action Children and Family Centres, Stroud and the Cotswolds

- Cotswolds** Lewis Lane, Cirencester
- Stroud** Treetops, Dursley Red Lodge, Stonehouse

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At Kids Stuff Cirencester



Monday 16th February

Pixel Project - Craft Table: 10:30am-12:30pm

Get creative with fun colourful 'pixels/beads' make custom keychains, magnets, or stand-up 3D figures! Aimed at children 4+ & pre-teens



Tuesday 17th February

Make Marble Mayhem - Craft Table: 10:30am-12:30pm

Calling all young engineers come build a Marble track. The challenge - how long can you keep your marble moving? Aimed at children 3+



Jungle Theme Drama-Tots: 2-3pm

Drama Tots are back with a high energy, interactive and fun Jungle themed class. Sing, Dance & Play. Aimed at 18 months to 5 years.



Wednesday 18th February

Box bots & beyond - Craft Table: 10:30am-12:30pm

Ultimate cardboard engineering invention station. Make a robot, gadget or unique cardboard creation. Aimed at children 3+



Thursday 19th February

Splatter & Squidger Clay - Craft Table: 10:30am-12:30pm

Splatter & Squidger creation Station, have fun with clay and colour! All ages welcome, wear your 'splatter-ready' clothes!



Saturday 21st February

Anna Boiko Art - Facepainting: 11am-3pm (approx. depending on demand)

Family Printmaking Workshop - Cotswoldere8: 10am-12pm

Join Becky at Cotswoldere8 for a family printmaking workshop for children and parents. All ages welcome



Sunday 22st February

Kids Stuff Open - Shop & Play area: 9:30am-12:30pm

It's the Cirencester Half Marathon 10K and Kids Stuff is open for the occasion!

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 Kids packed lunches throughout the Half Term holiday. Lunchtimes daily, 12-2pm *Subject to availability
All event details here: www.cirencesterkidsstuff.org.uk
Find us at: The Old Department Store, 29-35 Market Pl, Cirencester GL7 2NX
@kidsstuffcirencester Kids Stuff Cirencester
Activities subject to change. Children must be supervised.

February Half Term at the Museum!

It's a busy Half Term packed with hands-on activities, creative workshops and plenty for families to explore. Creative makes, family fun and brilliant ways to dive into history all week long.

Art Explorers: Arts & Crafts Trail Sat 14 - Sun 22 Feb | £2 per trail

Follow the trail through puppets, pottery and nature-loving makers, try creative challenges and design your own patterns. Finish it and you'll earn a nature-inspired stamper to take home.

Hands On History: Object Handling with the Birdlip Mirror Sun 15 & Wed 18 Feb | £1 donation

Take a closer look at our Birdlip Mirror replicas and discover their stories with our Visitor Experience Assistant. This relaxed drop-in is free, with a suggested £1 donation. Great for families aged 3+.

Glorious Glevum Tour Wed 18 Feb, 2-3pm | From £5

Explore Roman Glevum with Lucius Sita, our resident auxiliary soldier. Discover why the Romans chose Gloucester, what daily life looked like and the hidden treasures inside the museum.

Making Folk: Crafting Charms and Folk Motifs

Sat 14 Feb, 1-4 pm | £5

Get creative with natural materials, beads and fabric as you make your own charms or stitch folk-inspired motifs. For all ages, proudly part of Gloucester Folk Trail.

Brick Builders Club: The Great Outdoors

Tue 17 Feb, 10am - 1pm | £3 per child

Get creative with nature-themed LEGO challenges inspired by our Arts & Crafts displays. Build landscapes, dream up wild creatures or invent something totally new. Pick up fun prompts and let your imagination take over. Suitable for ages 5+.

Medieval Mercenary Tour of the Eastgate Chamber

Sat 21 Feb, 2-3pm | From £5

Join Sir Miles, our medieval mercenary, for a fascinating trip into the Eastgate Chamber. Explore its history, uncover old myths and hear the superstitions that have surrounded this hidden space for centuries.

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WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!



LAST CHANCE TO APPLY 15TH MARCH 2026



Fusion Youth Club

Fusion Youth Club is held at Cirencester Baptist Church (Chesterton Lane, opposite the Esso garage) on Thursday evenings in Term time. A session for Year 6-8s happens 6.30-7.45pm. It costs £1, and all the money goes back into the club to enable craft activities and our special inflatable evenings that happen each term. We have games consoles, indoor hockey, table tennis, pool, table football, craft table and a tuck shop with prices ranging from 5p-70p. There's a sign-up form that parents/carers can come and fill in the first evening, or if your child knows their address, we can send it home. If you require any further information, please get in touch with naomi.shrubsole@cirencester-baptist.org

We'd love to see you there - Naomi & The Fusion Team