

## Newsletter Date: 4th February 2022

### **Online Parent Meetings**

Online parent meetings will take place on Tuesday 15th and Wednesday 16th February this term. Appointments are still available to book via the VLE if you have not already done so.

### Children's Mental Health Week—7th—11th February

We will be celebrating Children's Mental Health Week next week with special assemblies and class activities to help teach the children about how they can look after their mental health.

On Friday 11th February children can come to school wearing a scarf, in exchange for a £1 donation to raise money for Winston's Wish, the charity that supports bereaved children.

A letter providing more detailed information has been emailed to parents today. Please contact the office if you have not received a copy.

### Happy News!

We are pleased to inform you that Miss Pitcher has welcomed a new baby girl to her family and both she and baby are doing well. We all send congratulations and look forward to meeting the new arrival soon.

### Internet Safety Day - February 8th

The pupils will be taking part in activities on this day to further highlight how important it is to use the internet safely and to learn about their electronic fingerprint, now and for the future.

### Year 6 Residential Meeting for Parents & Pupils—Tuesday 8th March 6pm

The school will be holding an information meeting for parents on Tuesday 8th March, in the school hall at 6pm. We always like to invite the Y6 pupils along to this meeting, so everyone has all the information they need. If you and your child are unable to attend this meeting, then we will send out information with your child the following day.

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Tuesday 15th February—Parents Evening 4.00pm—6.30pm

Wednesday 16th February— Parents Evening 3.45pm—5.20pm

Friday 18th February—school breaks up for half term

Monday 28th February—school reopens for all children

Thursday 3rd March—Willow Class swimming starts for 6 weeks

Friday 4th March—Willow Class Assembly

Tuesday 8th March—Y6 Residential Trip Meeting

Friday 11th March—Juniper Class Assembly

Friday 18th March—Maple Class Assembly

Friday 1st April—Oak Class Assembly

Friday 8th April—School Finishes for Easter Holidays

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Further dates to follow





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### Holiday Free School Meal Voucher Scheme

Please see the following from Children and Families Commissioning Hub: This February half term, 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 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 £15 for each child who is eligible for FSM which will cover the February half term week. The scheme is eligible for children aged 4-16 years old.

**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 February half term period is now open until the 14<sup>th</sup> February. Voucher emails will be sent out between 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> of **February**. Please check your junk/spam email folders during this period as sometimes the vouchers end up there. If parents have not received their vouchers by then please contact childrensfund@gloucestershire.gov.uk.

For more information and to sign up if you haven't already please visit our website: the <u>Holiday School Meal vouchers page on</u> our website.

### YogaBugs online offer

We have an offer for families who can claim a FREE eCode to access YogaBugs Virtual -Healthy Screen time for the whole family throughout January & February 2022. What is it?

YogaBugs virtual gives online access to hundreds of yoga & well-being videos for the whole family to take part in from the comfort of your own home! Perfect if people are worried about going out due to rising cases of COVID but still want to get some exercise in. https://yogabugs.com/parent-form/ to watch a short video to find out why it's a great option for families!

Why sign up? It is FREE!

It takes less than 60 seconds to sign up.

Help families feel calm, increase your child's confidence & help get your family active over the cold winter months.

Suitable for children with SEN.

How to gain access?

Visit: https://yogabugsvirtual.com/my-account/

Click on parents, enter the unique eCode **gloucestershire-1361** and follow the simple registration (it takes less than 60 seconds!) Enjoy YogaBugs at home!



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