



Newsletter Date: 1st April 2022

### Y4 Wild Hog Workshop

Last week Year 4 had a fantastic workshop with Wild Hogs, our local Hedgehog rescue centre. They learnt many incredible facts and continue to be keen to help these beautiful, endangered animals.

We would like to say a very big thank you to the parents who kindly donated food that will go towards looking after needy hedgehogs of all ages. Here is a picture of our Science Ambassadors handing the goods to Emily, our presenter. Thank you Wild Hogs, we think what you do is amazing.

Year 4



### iRock

The children were visited by iRock on Wednesday morning for a lively musical assembly where they had a taste of what it's like to be in a rock band! An information letter has been sent home with the children about how they can enrol for weekly lessons. Please contact the office if you require another copy.,

### Running Club

Mr Durden and Mrs Fearn attended assembly today to award children their achievement certificates for running club. Summer Athletics Club will be back on Thursday mornings after Easter, commencing at 8.00am on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April. Mr Durden and Mrs Fearn are looking forward to seeing new and old faces for the summer term. This is an all ability club open to everyone. It would be a good introduction for any children who have no experience but would like to give it a go. If your child is interested in joining the club, please contact the school office to register their interest. We would again like to convey our thanks to Mr Durden and Mrs Fearn for their commitment in running the club.

### Wyldwood Drama After School Club

The drama club are inviting parents of children who attend the Drama Club to a little performance at 4.00pm on Wednesday 6th April. We do hope you will be able to attend.

### Price Increases from 1st April 2022

The cost of school dinners increases to £2.34 per day and school milk to 25p per day, as from today.

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### Year 5 and 6 Celebration Morning

It was so lovely to see so many parents this morning at the Year 5 and 6 celebration. We hope everyone enjoyed being able to come back into school and see the wonderful work the children have been doing. Please complete our survey: <https://forms.office.com/r/w4yqjPcH3Q> or **Scan the QR code to access the survey**



### Y6 Residential Trip to Braeside

We are looking forward to Year 6 residential trip next week. The children will be visiting Braeside Activity Centre in Devizes where they will enjoy 3 days of exciting activities. We hope they have a fantastic time and that the weather is kind!

### Easter Holidays

School Finishes at 2.15pm on Friday 8th April for the Easter break. Monday 25th April is an INSET day so all children should return to school on Tuesday 26th April. We hope you all have a Happy Easter!

### Bigblueday—Friday 20th May

The school has registered to take part in Bigblueday on Friday 20th May to raise money to help more children and families affected by cancer throughout the UK! To find out a bit more about the charity please visit their website: [www.kidscancercharity.org](http://www.kidscancercharity.org). Like many charities they rely on voluntary donations to provide their service, every £500 raised by their new campaign could send a family to one of our luxury caravans on the Welsh coast for a well deserved break from treatments, hospitals and the stress of dealing with cancer. Children can wear anything blue in exchange for a donation of £1.



### Volunteer Parent Helpers

We would love any parents who have some free time to come into school to help with the Y3 children's reading. If you feel you can devote some time, perhaps once a week to come and help in school, please contact the school office.

### Rednock—Key Dates

We have received the follow key dates for parents of Year 6 children who are joining them in September:

**Meet the Tutor Evening 13/07/2022**

**Y7 Introductory Day 15/07/2022**

Please also note they will be holding an Open Morning on Friday 1st July for Year 5 children interested in going to Rednock next year.

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### Year 5 & 6 Young Voices Concert

The new date for the Young Voices Concert is Tuesday 3rd May. All money previously paid and previous arrangements are being carried over.

### Holiday Free School Meal Voucher Scheme

We would like to make you aware of some of the schemes that Gloucestershire County Council is currently offering to families of Gloucestershire:

This Spring break, 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.

Unfortunately, we are unable to consider college and sixth form students.

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 the two weeks of the Spring holiday. The scheme is eligible for children aged 4-16 years old. Unfortunately, we are unable to consider college and sixth form students.

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.

For parents who have already signed up, if more of their children have become entitled to free school meals since they applied, please ask them to contact us so we can update their amount, as this not an automatic process.

Applications for Holiday Free School Meal Vouchers for the February half term period is now open until the 4<sup>th</sup> April. Voucher emails will be sent out between 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> April. Please encourage parents to also check their junk/spam email folders during this period as sometimes the vouchers end up there. If parents have not received their vouchers by then please encourage them to get in contact with us by emailing [childrensfund@gloucestershire.gov.uk](mailto:childrensfund@gloucestershire.gov.uk).

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

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