



Parental support: www.familylives.org.uk or glosfamiliesdirectory.org Head Teacher's email address: head@birdlip.gloucs.sch.uk
 PTA fundraising via internet purchases: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/birdlipschoolpta/>
 Parent Matters www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/index.cfm?articleid=94089
 Birdlip online Virtual School Uniform Shop: http://pmgschoolwear.co.uk/advanced_search.php?skl_id=38923&pager=view_all
 School closure website: <https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/closures>
 Ofsted Parent View <http://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/> Confidential contact for Governing Body: chair@birdlip.gloucs.sch.uk
 Health Protection Agency Guidance http://www.hpa.org.uk/webc/HPAwebFile/HPAweb_C/1194947358374
 Safeguarding http://www.birdlip.gloucs.sch.uk/our_school/policies/policies.html Birdlip Wish list <http://amzn.eu/9pZsmG2>

School Dinner Menu Choices

Menu Choices for next week should be taken from the **Week 2** selection

Events in the week ahead:

****Cooking club **** Mrs Harding has one more cooking club to go – this will take place on **Tuesday 10th December**.

There are no other clubs this week.

Wed 11th Dec, Books for Bugs Book Fair

Fri 13th Dec, PTA school disco

Forthcoming Events

Mon 16th Dec, EYFS & KS1 afternoon Nativity performance

Tue 17th Dec, EYFS & KS1 Nativity performance, 6:30pm (6pm for pupils)

Wed 18th Dec, KS2 Carol Concert, 9:00am at Birdlip Church – all welcome

Wed 18th Dec, School Christmas Lunch

Thu 19th Dec, Celebration Assembly at 2:30pm followed by PTA pop up Café, all welcome

Thu 19th Dec, Last day of term for pupils

Fri 20th Dec, Staff inset day

Mon 6th Jan, Staff inset day

Tue 7th Jan, Back to school for all

As the end of term approaches we have some fond farewells coming up along with some welcomes for new members joining the team.

The first farewell looming large on the horizon is to the lovely Mrs Bragg who works on behalf of Caterlink as our school cook. Aimee has been a breath of fresh air in the kitchen since she started with us and she will be missed on so many levels not least for her fantastic culinary skills. Not many of you will know that Aimee was actually a pupil here at Birdlip not that many years ago (both Mrs Harding and Mrs Davies taught her).

Mrs Bragg is one of a number of people who work at the school who also came here as a child (Mrs Platt, Sophie the Cleaner and Mr Harber are the others) and I think that it is testament to the enduring spirit of Birdlip that it calls so many people back. So we wish Mrs Bragg, along with her sons Noah and Oliver who are pupils here, well with their move to pastures new (they're off to Wales to be closer to family) but it's in the knowledge that Birdlip will always be there for them.

I mentioned welcomes as well as goodbyes – we have two new people joining the team, both in the office. The first is Mrs Wilson-Copp who many of you will know from the playground as she has children in the lower half of the school. She will be providing office cover from 12 until 4pm each day, following on from Melanie Griffiths who will continue to be on the front desk for the first half of the day. We are of course also saying goodbye to Mrs Dingle who is retiring at Christmas and so I'm very pleased to announce the appointment of Fiona Cooper who will be taking over

the role of School Business Manager from Mrs Dingle in the New Year. I'm sure that you will all make them both feel very welcome.

Lastly you will notice a couple of new faces in Kingfishers class on a Monday and Wednesday for the next month as we welcome our Gloucestershire University teaching students Miss Morris and Mrs Topuz. We also have Mr MacDuff and Miss Miles joining us in Ospreys class for the last week of this term and the month of January for their teaching placement.

That's all from me, have a lovely week, work hard and enjoy yourselves. Mr M.

PTA – 100 Club Results

This month's lucky 100 club winners are:

1st prize - Lachlan Finley

2nd prize - Aimie Bragg

Thank you so much for your support and goodluck to all for next month!!!

Wed 11th Dec, Books for Bugs Book Fair

The book fair will be held after school on Wednesday 11th December under the shelter if weather permits or in the main corridor of the teaching block. Please see attached flyer for further details.

PTA disco Info



Birdlip & Brimpsfield Playgroup

Monday, Tuesday & Thursdays
0845am - 1245pm Term time only

Parent & Babies/Toddlers
Thursdays, 0845am 10.00am Term time only.
For more details please see
www.birdlip&brimpsfieldplaygroup.btck.co.uk
or email bbplaygroup@btinternet.com

Birdlip Brownies

For girls aged 7 - 10
Birdlip Village Hall
Thursdays 6.15pm - 7.30pm
for more details email birdlipbrownie@btinternet.com

Birdlip Guides

For girls aged 10-14
Birdlip Village Hall
Thursdays 7.30pm - 9.00pm
for more details email birdlipguides@btinternet.com

Birdlip Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is open to all pupils for a small charge and runs daily from 8am – contact the school for further details.

Birdlip School Christmas Single

We are very excited to announce that the schools Christmas single is in production and will be available for Monday 2nd December.
The launch will take place after school on Monday, where CD's will be on sale. There is also a B side which is only available on the CD. The Christmas single will be available to download from the 2nd Dec so please download from Bandcamp as all of the proceeds will go straight to the school. There will also be availability to stream!

A massive thank you to everyone who has been involved. We can't wait for you all to hear the songs. Thank you.

Birdlip Primary PTA



RELEASED 2nd DECEMBER

CD (with special bonus tracks) - £6

Download – BirdlipPTA.Bandcamp.com - £3

Stream – Spotify, Deezer, Amazon, Google Play and Apple Music

Once a week take a peek...

Head lice are sadly a perennial problem for any school so we advise that once every week you check your child's hair. Early intervention stops the problem spreading. If you do find head lice please let the school office know.
For plenty of advice on dealing with head lice try the following link: <http://www.onceaweektakeapeek.com/>

Thread worms - these are mostly harmless but are both itchy and unpleasant, sadly they are also very easily spread as their eggs can live outside the human body for up to two weeks. The best prevention is regular handwashing as the eggs need to be ingested in order to hatch.

If your child does get a case of Thread worms please do notify the school and follow the steps on the NHS link below at home.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/threadworms/>

Carol Service at Birdlip Church

Family Carol Service at St Marys Church, Birdlip
Sunday 15th December 2019
6pm Mince Pies and Mulled wine
6.30pm Carols

P.E. Kits – a reminder

Please ensure that P.E. kits come into school on a **Monday** morning, they will be sent home again on a **Friday**.



Atlas Camps will be running at Birdlip School as usual this Christmas holiday. Our doors will be open on 23rd December, 2nd January and 3rd January. Whether you need a day to sort your last bits of Christmas shopping, or are returning to work in early January, we have you covered!

Pop online to book your place now.

www.atlascamps.co.uk/birdlip

Only 2 weeks to go!



