



Birdlip Primary School

Helping Each Other Prepare For A Bigger World



Friday 10th June 2022

www.birdlipprimary.co.uk

Newsletter 32

Respect

Kindness

Resilience

Useful Links

Head Teacher's email address: head@birdlip.gloucs.sch.uk

School Emergency Phone No: 07775 203 435

Confidential contact for Governing Body: chair@birdlip.gloucs.sch.uk

School closure website: <https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/closures>

Safeguarding: https://www.birdlipprimary.co.uk/parent_information/safeguarding/new_menu.html

Ofsted Parent View: <http://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

Health Protection Agency Guidance http://www.hpa.org.uk/webc/HPAwebFile/HPAweb_C/1194947358374

Parental support: www.familylives.org.uk or glosfamiliesdirectory.org

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

Birdlip Wish list <http://amzn.eu/9pZsmG2>

Amazon Wish List – Library Books: <https://amzn.eu/cVgR1hs>

PTA fundraising via internet purchases: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/birdlipsschoolpta/>

School Dinner Menu Choices

Menu choices for next week should be taken from the **week 1** selection.

Diary Dates

Events in the Week Ahead

Sun 12th June, Parent Task Force (to complete DIY jobs around the school) – details below

Mon 13th June, Non-uniform day – suggested £1 donation

Mon 13th June, PTA Film Night – click here to book

Wed 15th June, KS1 (Kingfishers) Dodgeball Tournament (newly added)

Wed 15th June, PE Kit order deadline

Fri 17th June, KS2 Dodgeball Tournament (newly added)

Forthcoming Events

Mon 20th June, Year 4 visit to 'In The Net' production

Tues 21st June, Kingfishers Class Trip to Copsegrove

Tues 12th July, Sports Day

Tues 12th July, Pop-Up Café and Ice Cream Sales

Thurs 13th July, Back-up Sports Day

Wed 13th July, Golden Eagles Trip to Copsegrove

Fri 15th July, Summer Fete – details to follow

Message from Mr Milner

Dear parents

It's always a lovely feeling to have most of the key assessments completed for the year. Year 2 and 6 have now completed their SATs examinations and Year 1 finished their phonics screening test this week - this just leaves Year 4 with their multiplication tests and Reception's assessments. A huge thank you to all the staff for preparing them so well and ensuring they have caught up from the last two years of uncertainty. The results will be published in early July.

We are pleased work for a thoroughfare from the village hall to the school is almost complete. This will ensure children do not have to walk through the car park for lunch or other occasions when the hall is used; thus ensuring their safety at all times.

This week we had a mock Ofsted review in reading and maths, undertaken by an Ofsted inspector. It was an incredibly worthwhile experience as we are due a full inspection any day. The experience was very positive and gives us plenty of time to adhere to any expert advice. Mrs Davis and Mrs Harding, who lead maths and reading, have done exemplary jobs ensuring their subjects are taught consistently well across the school.

Thank you in advance for helping this Sunday at our school's DIY day. There is always plenty to do around school and it becomes a lovely community event helping the school to be at its best.

Andrew Milner

School Value Certificates Awarded Today

House Cup awarded to Yellow Hedgehogs



Quick Reminders

Parent Task Force Day – Sunday 12th June 2022

We will be holding a Parent Task Force Day from 10.30am on Sunday 12th June 2022. Any help on the day would be much appreciated and we will provide lots of tea, coffee and biscuits. You can come and join us at any point during the day to help out. Please see the list of jobs attached.

Non-Uniform Day – Monday 13th June 2022

Children can come to school in non-uniform on Monday – suggested donation of £1 via ParentPay.

PTA Film Night – Monday 13th June 2022

Please [sign up by the end of today](#) (Friday 10th June) so that the PTA can ensure they have enough provisions. Please make payment via ParentPay at time of booking.

PE Kit Order Deadline – Wednesday 15th June 2022

Please ensure that you submit your PE Kit orders by Wednesday 15th June 2022 and make payment via ParentPay at time of ordering.

Dodgeball Tournaments next week

All of KS1 and KS2 will be taking part in the Dodgeball Tournaments next week (see email sent 8th June). If you have not done so already, please confirm whether you will be able to help transport your child and/or others to the tournament. If you are unable to transport your own child, we will do our best to arrange alternative transport for them.

National Book Tokens – Nominate Birdlip Primary School

We could win £1,000 to spend on the school library – [click here](#) to access the National Book Tokens website and to nominate our school.



Support over the summer holidays from the Children and Families hub

The Holiday Free School Meal Voucher Scheme

Once again, the Holiday FSM voucher scheme will be returning for the summer holidays. Like last year, the scheme will be covering 2 of the 6 weeks of the holidays. Parents will receive £30 per child (£15 per week, per child) from reception to year 11, for children that receive benefits related free school meals.

Applications will open on the 28th June and close at midday on the 12th July. Vouchers will be released between the 13th and 14th July. For more information, visit www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/holiday-school-meal-vouchers/ If you have any queries, please get in touch at childrensfund@gloucestershire.gov.uk

The Holiday Activity and Food Programme (HAF and HAP)

The HAF programme will be returning from 1st to 27th August covering 4 weeks of the summer holidays to provide families with enriching activities and nutritious food for families who receive benefits-related free school meals.

The extended Holiday Activities Programme (HAP) offer will also be returning so that all families in Gloucestershire will have the chance to participate in the holiday fun.

More information will be released from 20 June. To stay up to date on news, families can subscribe to the HAF newsletter by clicking the link below:

https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKGLOUCESTERSHIRE/subscriber/new?topic_id=UKGLOUCESTERSHIRE_287

For more information, visit www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/haf

Holiday Food Boxes

Holiday Food boxes will be available across Gloucestershire for the month of August. More information on when these will be available to book will follow shortly. Eligibility for the Holiday Food Boxes requires your children to receive benefits-related free school meals.

Household Support Fund

On 30 September 2021, the Government announced that a new Household Support Fund (HSF) would be available to Local Authorities to support those most in need during the winter, which has now been extended until 30th September 2022. The Government has provided funding to Gloucestershire County Council to support people who are struggling to:

- buy food
- pay energy and water bills
- cover other essential costs linked to energy and water and wider essentials (including sanitary products, warm clothing, soap, blankets, boiler service or repair, purchase of equipment including fridges, freezers, and ovens)

The application form for the Housing Support Fund can be found on the Gloucestershire County Council website here: <https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/gloucestershire-welfare-support-scheme/local-support-grant-find-out-more-and-apply/> The Household Support Fund is available until 30th September 2022.

PTA News

Upcoming Events

- Parent Task Force Day** – 10.30am on Sunday 12th June
- Non-uniform Day** – Monday 13th June (suggested £1 donation)
- Film Night** – 3.15pm on Monday 13th June
- Pop-up Café and Ice Cream Sales** – 1.45pm (tbc) on Tuesday 12th July
- Summer Fete** – Friday 15th July – details to follow



We would love to hear fundraising ideas from the school community if you have any thoughts on how we can support and raise money for the school please email birdlipschoolpta@gmail.com or speak to one of the PTA team.

Regular Donation Option

For anyone who perhaps can't spare their time but is able to donate a regular amount, be it £3-5 per month, or £30-50 at the start of each term. Every little helps and is greatly appreciated! All the money raised through the PTA goes straight back into the school to benefit all children across the year groups.

The PTA bank details are:

Birdlip School PTA
27670668
30-99-15

Thank you for your ongoing support

PTA Team

Wrap Around Care

Birdlip Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is open to all pupils from 7.45am. Prices are based on arrival time and include breakfast:

- arrival between 7.45am-8am = £5.00 per session;
- arrival after 8am = £4.00 per session

To register and book spaces, please contact the playgroup leaders on: bbplaygroup@btinternet.com or 07914 091 427.

Atlas Camps Aftercare

Atlas Camps Aftercare provide after school care between 3.15pm to 5.45pm. For more information and to book your place online visit: <https://atlas camps.co.uk/asc/birdlip/index.php> **Please note that the emergency number for Atlas when your children are with them is 07522 909 409.**

Playgroup and Holiday Clubs

Birdlip Playgroup

Birdlip Playgroup runs on a Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 08:45am - 12:45pm (Term time only). You can register your child by contacting the play leaders at bbplaygroup@btinternet.com or 07914 091427.

Support and Guidance for Parents

Links for Mental Health Support and Online Safety

Online Safety:

https://birdlipprimary.co.uk/parent_information/health_wellbeing/family_support.html

Mental Health support available in Gloucestershire:

https://birdlipprimary.co.uk/parent_information/health_wellbeing/mental_health.html

Government Guidance for parents and carers: COVID-19

The Government have published a collection of guidance providing [information for parents and carers of children attending early years settings, schools and colleges](#) during the COVID-19 pandemic.