



Birdlip Primary School

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Friday 20th January 2023

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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/birdlipschoolpta/>

School Dinner Menu Choices

Menu choices for next week should be taken from **week 1** of the Winter/Spring Menu 2023

Diary Dates

Events Next Week

Mon 23rd Jan, Firewalk Launch at 7pm (Birdlip Primary School – note amended venue)

Forthcoming Events

Mon 30th Jan, Ospreys Trip to Cirencester Corinium Museum (**newly added**)

Fri 17th Feb, School Disco at 6.30pm

Message from Mr Pugh

Dear Parents and Children,

Another fantastic week has passed. We had our January performance of carols and the nativity which were absolutely fantastic and I hope you all enjoyed the performances. A huge thank you to you all for your patience regarding the need to postpone these before Christmas but I'm sure you'll agree the wait was worth it! A massive thank you to all the staff for all their hard work in putting it together.

On the subject of staff, we will remain open on February 1st during the recently called teacher strikes. While we will remain open, I think it is important to recognise that there must be something seriously wrong when striking is seen as a necessity, school funding has not been good enough for a long time and the action called is about more than just pay and conditions. Staff here work a lot longer than the school opening times, eating into holidays and weekends but even with that level of dedication we still find ourselves relying heavily on your support and the support of the PTA to be able to offer the experiences we can. Hopefully an agreement can be reached to provide the best environment for children across the country.

On that note, I have to thank the PTA again for their contributions and continued support that they offer the school. Please sign up for the firewalk if you're feeling adventurous, if you have more time you could offer please get in touch as we are desperately looking for new members who could help with the task of organising these events to help us continue to improve the facilities at school.

Finally, while I understand that traffic to and from school this week has been a challenge, please can we ensure that we are sticking to the speed limit at all times during pick up and drop off times. Several villagers have contacted the school this week regarding this so if you could please be mindful, even if it means you're a few minutes late, to maintain safety at all times.

Have a great weekend,

Mr Pugh

Raffle Winners!

Thank you for supporting the school raffle. The prizes will be ready for collection from the school office next week.

School Value Certificates Awarded Today

House Cup awarded to Green Deer



Birdlip School Firewalk – 25th March 2023

Please sign up by the **21st Jan 2023!** Don't look back and wish you had!

All you need to do is:

1. Click the following link and pledge £25 on the GoFundMe page - <https://firewalk.news/birdlip> (make sure you add your name so we can track you).
2. Email the PTA at birdlipschoolpta@gmail.com with your address, email and phone number to sign you up to the event communications.
3. Join the Facebook Group <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100089222535637> so you don't miss out on regular updates and invite your friends, family and business colleges to sponsor you and see more about the event – they can sign up too, but remember there are only 60 spaces!
4. Join us for a 'Prep Evening' at Birdlip Primary School (note change of venue) on **Monday 23rd Jan at 7pm**. This will lay out the whole fundraising campaign and also prep you for the firewalk itself.

Request for Spare KS2 Underwear and Trousers

It would be good to have some spare underwear and school trousers for children higher up the school. Please feel free to drop any aged 7 to 11 years items into the school office.

Threadworms

Please see the leaflet attached regarding threadworms, which can be common in children under the age of 10.

Boys Choir Open Day – 5th February 2023

The Gloucestershire Boys' Choir have an open day on Sunday 5th February. Please see the attached leaflet for more information.

Quick Reminders

Church Carpark – Temporary Closure

The Church Carpark will be closed between 22nd January and 26th February for resurfacing works.

Ospreys Residential

Just a quick reminder that the 2nd installment for Ospreys residential is due on 1st February 2023 via ParentPay.

Year 6 SATs Study Workbooks – Year 6 Only

If you want to order your Year 6 SATs workbooks through the school to take advantage of the cheaper price, [please click here to place your order](#) by Friday 27th January (see email dated 17th January for more information).

PTA News

Dates for the diary:

- Mon 23rd January – Firewalk Launch at Birdlip Primary School
- Fri 17th February – School Disco
- Sat 25th March – Birdlip Firewalk

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Thank you for your ongoing support, The PTA Team
Jodi Croft, Lauren Maguire, Lisa Urban-Smith, Claire Norman, Dani Rosser, Kayleigh Wheatley
birdlipschoolpta@gmail.com

Atlas Camps – February Half-Term – 4 weeks to go!

It's just 4 weeks to go until Atlas Camps will be running their award-winning holiday clubs. Rating Outstanding by Ofsted, Atlas Camps specialise in multi-activity clubs for children ages 4-14. With a focus on fun, activities on offer span everything from arts and crafts to sports and active play, all in a safe, enjoyable environment designed to cater for all. Highlights include: Ofsted rated 'outstanding,' Childcare vouchers accepted from a variety of providers, Early drop-off/ late pick-up options, Sibling discount available. For further information, please [click here](#) to watch a video or check out the attached poster.

Head to the [Atlas Camps website](#) to book.

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In the Community

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.

Mrs Hamblin's Artists Children's Art Club

This art club is for all children from all schools in Gloucestershire aged between 4 and 11 years old, and currently runs through every school holiday. Please see the attached leaflet for more information.

Charles Wheatstone Event - Museum of Gloucester – 6th February 2023

The Museum of Gloucester is delighted to announce a day of activity on Monday 6 February 2023, to celebrate the forgotten genius of Gloucester born scientist and inventor of many scientific breakthroughs, Sir Charles Wheatstone. Please [click here](#) for more information and how to book. It includes a FREE workshop to anyone with an interest in photography/film/digital/media/comms.

Wrap Around Care

Birdlip Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is open to all pupils from 7.30am. Prices are based on arrival time and include breakfast:

Prices

Arrival between 7.30 to 7.45am	£6.00
Arrival between 7.45am to 8.00am	£5.00
Arrival after 8.00am	£4.00
Breakfast finishes being served at 8.20am	

To register and book

Contact the playgroup leaders on bbplaygroup@btinternet.com 07914091427
Please remember to cancel your booking if it is no longer required.

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://atlascamps.co.uk/asc/birdlip/index.php> **Please note that the emergency number for Atlas when your children are with them is 07955 188 140.**