



Birdlip Primary School

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Friday 17th February 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 2** of the Winter/Spring Menu 2023

Diary Dates

Events Next Week

Mon 27th Feb, Back to school

Mon 27th Feb, All Extra Curricular clubs continue

Mon 27th Feb, Golden Eagles Swimming restarts

Tues 28th Feb, Ospreys Residential Parent Information Evening

Tues 28th Feb, KS2 Cooking Club – Group 2 - commences (**newly added**)

Wed 1st Mar, Ospreys Residential - Final Payment due (**newly added**)

Thurs 2nd Mar, World Book Day – **Dress as your favourite character** and bring in your favourite book (**newly added**)

Fri 3rd Mar, Deadline to return Yr 6 Bikeability Training consent form

Forthcoming Events

Mon 13th Mar, Year 6 Bikeability Training

Thur 16th Mar, Golden Eagles Trip to Wookey Hole

Fri 17th Mar, Comic Relief Day - **Non-Uniform** & Birdlip Talent Show – see details below (**newly added**)

Wed 22nd Mar, Kingfishers Trip to Black Country Living Museum

Sat 25th Mar, Birdlip Firewalk

Message from Mr Pugh

Dear Parents and Children,

The term has flown by and the progress the children have made has been fantastic. We've really seen an improvement across all the classes and we're so proud of what the children have achieved.

Firstly this week, a massive thank you to Paula who has worked so hard at after school club for a number of years and is sadly leaving. I'm sure anyone who has met her will appreciate the hard work and dedication she has put into the role of looking after the children in the after school setting. Thank you Paula!

We've had a great week of sporting competition, on Tuesday, year 5/6 competed in a netball tournament. They participated in 4 games of 5 a-side. They played fantastically well and did the school proud. The first and third game they won 3-0, the second game they won 2-0 and finally, they drew the final game with outstanding defence. Overall, winning 3 out of the 4 games they competed in! This is an incredible improvement since September. Miss Willmott is extremely proud of their growing teamwork and resilience. A big shout out to Oscar, Myla, Harry, Alicia, Sienna, Willow, Aria and Amelia. On Thursday we played Huntley in the small schools knock-out cup and won 2-1. I am incredibly proud of the effort the children put in. We had several debutants playing who all performed fantastically and the team spirit and determination they showed was outstanding. We look forward to our next fixture.

I hope you all have a restful week over half term and that the weather behaves itself so you can get out and about.

Have a great half-term
Mr Pugh

World Book Day – Thursday 2nd March 2023

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March 2023 and would love the children to bring in their favourite story book. They can also **dress up as a book character** (anything will do – there is no need to buy an outfit if you have lots of fancy dress at home!).

WORLD
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2 MARCH 2023

School Value Certificates Awarded Today

House Cup awarded to Blue Rabbits



Doodle Maths and Doodle Tables

Congratulations to our Top Doodling class of the week...

Doodle Maths	% on target (last 7 days) ↓
Ospreys	90%
Golden Eagles	82%
Kingfishers	61%

Doodle Tables	% on target (last 7 days) ↓
Ospreys	93%
Golden Eagles	46%

 **doodle**

If you want to check how your child is getting on with their doodle you can go to <https://parents.doodlelearning.com> where once you create an account you can link to your child's account to view their progress etc. A fantastic improvement from all classes this week in both doodle maths and tables. Ospreys again performing fantastically well but being pushed incredibly hard by Golden eagles - who have slightly slipped with their tables - keep working hard GE! Kingfishers are again really impressive, improving their score from last week which is brilliant. All this hard work will really help you with your learning.

Celebration Assembly

What a fantastic performance by all of the children today in the Celebration Assembly. It was great that so many parents and grandparents came to watch. Thank you!

Birdlip Shields were awarded to Daisy, Wren, Iris, Carys and Dylan. Well done all and really well deserved.

Forest School

The children are really enjoying forest school on a Thursday afternoon. Each class has 3 sessions over the full Spring term. Please note the following dates for the remaining classes:

2nd March – Ospreys
9th March – Kingfishers
16th March – Ospreys
23rd March – Robins
30th March – Ospreys



Please ensure you send your child with their wellies and a warm coat. Please note that Golden Eagles have already had their 3 sessions (during January and February).

Comic Relief and Birdlip Talent Show – Friday 17th March 2023

We have lots of exciting plans for Comic Relief such as a scavenger hunt, paper fun and come dressed in red if you can (any **non-uniform** is fine though). You can make a donation towards Comic Relief via ParentPay.



We are also holding a '**Wonderful Birdlip**' talent show. You can sing, dance, tell a joke, draw a picture, play an instrument or show off your keepie uppie skills. If you would like to take part, please put your name down on the sign-up sheets.

Headlice

Head lice and nits are common in young children and their families. They do not have anything to do with dirty hair and are picked up by head-to-head contact. They are tiny insects that only live on humans. The eggs are grey or brown and about the size of a pinhead which stick to the hair, close to the scalp. The eggs hatch in 7 to 10 days. Empty eggshells (nits) are white and shiny and are found further along the hair shaft as they grow out. [Head lice](#) are spread by direct head-to-head contact and therefore tend to be more common in children because of the way they play. They cannot jump, fly or swim. Itching and scratching occurs 2 to 3 weeks after coming into close contact with someone who has headlice.

Tips:

- Treat head lice as soon as you spot them.
- You should check everyone in the house and start treating anyone who has head lice on the same day.
- Wet combing Lice and nits can be removed by wet combing. You should try this method first.
- You can buy a special fine-toothed comb (detection comb) online or from pharmacies to remove head lice and nits. There may be instructions on the pack, but usually you 1) wash hair with ordinary shampoo 2) apply lots of conditioner (any conditioner will do) 3) comb the whole head of hair, from the roots to the ends * It usually takes about 10 minutes to comb short hair, and 20 to 30 minutes for long, frizzy or curly hair. 4) Do wet combing on days 1, 5, 9 and 13 to catch any newly hatched head lice. Check again that everyone's hair is free of lice on day 17.
- Medicated lotions and sprays (ask a pharmacist for advice if you have tried wet combing for 17 days, but your child still has live head lice)

Your child can still attend school if they have headlice but you should inform the school and undertake the necessary steps to stop it spreading.

Quick Reminders

Year 6 – Bikeability Consent Forms – Deadline Friday 3rd March 2023

Please remember to return your completed consent form to the office by Friday 3rd March and make payment via ParentPay. Please see email dated 26th January 2023 for more information.

Extra-Curricular Clubs Continue w.c. 27th February 2023

Just a reminder that the current extra-curricular clubs will continue on our return after the half-term break and run up until Friday 24th March 2023. The only difference is that **KS2 Cooking Club will now change to Group 2**. We hope the children in Group 1 enjoyed their cooking sessions and thank you to Mrs Zawada for helping Mrs Harding. If any parents would like to help for the next 4 weeks, please do contact the office.

Well-being Wall

Please continue to send photos in of your children and the things they enjoying doing outside of school so that we can fill up the wellbeing wall and inspire everyone. This could be anything from sports, clubs, knitting, reading and going for walks etc. Please send your photos to admin@birdlip.gloucs.sch.uk

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.

Birdlip School Firewalk – 25th March 2023



You can still sign-up! 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.



Atlas Camps – February Half-Term

Atlas Camps will be running their award-winning holiday clubs this February, with a selection of places still available to book!

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.



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