

Glenfall News

...a newsletter to inform the school community about the day to day life of our school.

Friday 11th May 2018



A word from the head......

I hope that you all had a good Bank Holiday weekend last week. With the fantastic weather, the Jazz festival and lots of other things going on in Cheltenham it really felt like a holiday. As nice as it was it made come back to school really difficult. It's also hard to believe that we are only two weeks from half term.

SATs season is also upon us with the Y6 pupils starting their tests on Monday. We have been very impressed by the children in how hard they have been working and how they are approaching the tests. We are looking forward to welcoming them to their special SATs breakfast club from 8:15 on Monday. The Y2 pupils will also be starting their assessments next week. Once again we are really impressed with how the pupils have made progress over the year.

The school photographer was in school this week taking whole class groups and Y6 leavers photographs. We will shortly receive the proofs which we will send home and ask you to return as soon as you can. This will ensure that the photographs are back in school before the end of the term.



A group of Y5 pupils went to Balcarras last week to attend a writer's workshop. The children worked collaboratively with pupils from CKJS to produce The Junior Journalist. It was a great event and the writing that the children produced was fantastic. They represented the school very well and we

are very proud of their achievements. A copy of the magazine is in the entrance hall if you would like to read it.

Have a great weekend! Anthony Mitchell



Friday 18th May

Your child is cordially invited to attend our Red, White & Blue Day. Children and staff may also dress up as

Princes and Princesses for the day to celebrate the marriage of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle

A few reminders.....

- There will be no orchestra on Tuesday 15th May.
- There are no music lessons next week.
- France residential. Don't forget that you can make regular payments to suit your circumstances.
- France residential. Don't forget to return you Group Passport applications as soon as they are completed. Deadline 25th May

Next week the Y6 pupils will taking their KS2 SATs. Good luck to all of the children. They have all been working incredibly hard and well prepared to take the tests. Hopefully they will have a relaxing weekend and will be in school at 8:15 for their special SATs breakfast on Monday.





Diary Dates

May

14th May - KS2 SATs week starts

18th May - Red, White & Blue. Princes & Princesses

24th May - Athletics at St Edwards

- Swimming Gala

25th May - School closes for half term

June

4th June - Science week starts

6th June - New Reception Parents - September 2018

11th June - Cricket Festival Y5&6
15th June - Lido Family Night
28th June - Sports Day at 1pm
30th June - Summer Fair

Advanced notice of a few dates:

6th July - Reports out to parents 20th July - Leaver's Assembly

- School closes for Summer Holidays





FrOGS Information





Diary Dates

Lido Family Night: Friday 15th June (7.30pm-10.30pm)

Summer Fair: Saturday 30th June (12noon – 2pm)





Lido evening

We are planning a lido evening for Glenfall families on Friday 15th June. Please put the date in your diary and look out for more details around school, in the newsletter and in your dedicated Frogs newsletter which is coming to you soon!



Parent Pay

Please remember to keep your account in credit each week.
Your child may be refused a lunch if your account is not in credit. Please be reminded that if your child accidentally orders a meal and they have brought sandwiches in from home you will be charged for that meal.
You will also have received a letter informing you a price increase. Meals now cost £2.30



Keep us up to date

If you have moved house, changed telephone numbers or set up a new email account please let the office know so that we can accurately maintain our records to ensure that we can contact you in case of an emergency and communicate with you



Music Dialy Date

19th June Orchestra will perform at St Marks I day Centre

13rd July

Summer Concert at Holy Apostles





Late Arrivals and Collections

Parents are reminded that the start of the school day is 8.55am. It is important that your child arrives on time for the start of school. Arriving late is disruptive for the class and your child is missing part of their learning. Arrivals after the register have closed are marked as unauthorised absences. If you do arrive late please enter the school through the reception area, sign your child in and order a lunch if required. There has also been an increasing number of late collections from school. Please ensure that you arrive on time for the end of the school day. Always phone the school before if you are unavoidably detained and state how late you are going to be. It is distressing for your child if they are collected late and we are unable to explain where you are.

Absences from school can be reported at **any** time by calling the school number. There is an option for you to leave a message on our dedicated absence voicemail box.

Make every minute count !!!

■ Attending school every day = 100% attendance

Attending 4.5 days a week = 90% attendance = 4weeks missed per year

Attending 4 days a week = 80% attendance = more than half a term missed per year or 2 full years missed over the course of their school career

Attending 3.5 days a week = 70% attendance = more than a quarter of the school year missed

An average attendance of 80% or less across a child's school career adds up to missing a whole 2 years from school.

Late to school?

- If your child is **5 minutes late** every day they will miss three days of learning each year.
- If your child is 15 minutes late every day they will miss 2 weeks of learning each year.

Missing School = Missing Out !!!













SuperStars May Half Term Holiday Course Charlton Kings Junior School

Tuesday 29th May - Friday 1st June

Worried how you're going to juggle work & the kids this May Half Term?

Dear Parent,
It's OK, you can breathe a sigh of relief, because this May Half Term we're running our fun-packed
holiday course here at your school. If your child's been to SuperStars before, they'll probably be
shouting. "Book me a place now!" How do we know! Because in 2017, more than 7,500 children
gave our courses the double thumber. 95, ow're a hit with the kids.

gave our courses the double thumbs-up. So, we're a hit with the kids.

We want to be a hit with you too

With lots of parents, we already are. In fact, 95.6% of those we asked said they'd
recommend our courses to a friend. And we get lots of positive feedback, like this
parent in Wesbury: "From my child 2 point of tiese SupperSurs is accitive, fine and enjoy.

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We run all our holiday courses on school sites. We do this so the children are in a familiar environment, often with their friends. All of our staff provide specialist support in schools during term time, so there's every chance you and your child will know the course leader too.

Using school sites also helps your mornings run smoothly as you can keep to your normal routine.

And it keeps the cost of our courses down, as we're not paying high commercial rents. Savings we pass straight on to you.

SuperStars. Good for you, a biast for your kids
We help children get active, have fun and learn new skills, in a place where they feel safe and
secure. And, because we know juggling work and family is sometimes hard, we make the holic
easier for you too. Turn the page now and find out how to book.

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PS: Remember to book your place by Friday 18th May. As a thank you, we'll give your child a FREE SuperStars sweatband, worth £3.99.









Ribston Hall High School

Open Day Information:

Thursday 26th April 2018: Open day and Evening for Year 5 children anticipating entry in September 2019 9am - 12 noon and 4pm - 7pm

Tuesday 19th June 2018: Open morning for Year 5 children anticipating entry in September 2019 9am - 12 noon no appointment necessary

Ribston Hall High School is an 11-18 Girls' Grammar School with a mixed Sixth Form.

Please visit our website:

www.ribstonhall.gloucs.sch.uk

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Please visit us during our Open Sessions; there will be an opportunity to see the school on a working day.