



Glenfall News

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

Friday 27th April 2018



A word from the head.....

I hope that you all had a good Easter Break. The weather was a bit mixed but hopefully you managed to get out and about. Many parents and children have started to use the field, adventure playground and trim trail after school. As in previous years I am happy for this to happen but must make parents aware that they are responsible for their children's safety and welfare after 3.20pm. All pupils must be supervised by their own parent or by another adult who has been given that responsibility.

The school has swung back into action and the children all seem to be back into their routines. Hopefully you will have received a 'Number Knowledge' card from you child's class teacher this week and we would greatly appreciate your support in helping your children practice a few key facts each day.

This week we have received our allocation of children for Reception 2018. We have once again been allocated 30 places for the new intake. We look forward to welcoming the new families to the school over the coming months.

Over the last 10 days we have had ten live eggs and an incubator in school. We have been watching the chicks hatch from the eggs. The children also enjoyed watching a theatre production of the Hobbit. It was such a great show that we have already booked the company for next year.

This week we have seen an increased number of pupils cycling and scooting to school as part of the 'Big Pedal'. Thank you to Mr & Mrs Cameron and Alfie from Y2 for promoting the event and for monitoring the number of cyclists and scooters!

Have a great weekend!

Anthony Mitchell

A few reminders.....

- There will be no orchestra on Tuesday 15th May.
- France residential. Don't forget that you can make regular payments to suit your circumstances.
- Rags2Riches collection. Wednesday 2nd May



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 = 4 weeks 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 !!!



Diary Dates

May

- 2nd May - Rags2Riches clothing collection
- 3rd May - Y5 visit Skillzone
- 7th May - Bank Holiday, school closed
- 10th May - Class photographs and 'Leavers' photos
- 11th May - FrOGS Disco
- 14th May - KS2 SATs week starts
- 25th May - School closes for half term
- 26th May - Children's Festival at Town Hall

June

- 4th June - Science week starts
- 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



Reminders

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 will 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



UPDATE YOUR DETAILS



FrOGS Information



100 Club March Winners

- 1st Prize, Tracy Cadogan, £20, ticket 13
- 2nd prize, Mac McPherson, £10, ticket 80
- 3rd Prize, Rachel Russell, £5, ticket 37

Diary Dates

Disco – Friday 11th May

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

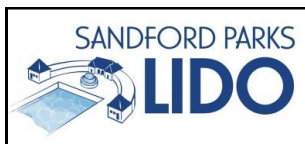
Summer Fair: Saturday 30th June (12noon – 2pm)

Disco

The last disco of this academic year is on Friday 11th May. Don't miss it!

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!



Music Diary Dates

19th June

Orchestra will perform at St Marks day Centre

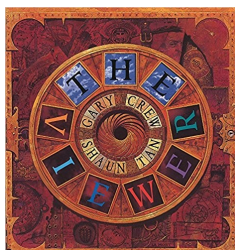
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Summer Concert at Holy Apostles

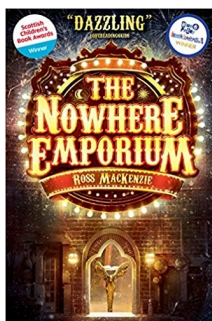




Book Recommendations



Young Tristan, a curious boy who rescues all sorts of objects from the rubbish dump, finds an old Viewmaster in its elaborate box, complete with a set of disks. He finds that these represent the ages of humankind, seen as a cyclical structure in which patterns of growth and decay are repeated. Tristan becomes more and more drawn in to the world of the disks, and eventually disappears. The book is full of metaphors and symbols of seeing and watching, circularity and never-endingness, in a complex, fantastical tale.



When the mysterious Nowhere Emporium arrives in Glasgow, orphan Daniel Holmes stumbles upon it quite by accident. Before long, the 'shop from nowhere' -- and its owner, Mr Silver -- draw Daniel into a breathtaking world of magic and enchantment. Recruited as Mr Silver's apprentice, Daniel learns the secrets of the Emporium's vast labyrinth of passageways and rooms -- rooms that contain wonders beyond anything Daniel has ever imagined. Can Daniel save his home, and his new friends, before the Nowhere Emporium is destroyed forever?



The Jolley-Rogers - a pirate family, are moving to Dull-on-Sea, a quiet seaside town. Stopping to fix up their ship, this unusual family get the whole neighbourhood spreading rumours. Defying the grown-ups, Matilda from next door decides to become friends with the youngest pirate son. When the Jolley-Rogers leave, the town discovers they were wrong to assume the worst - the pirate clan have buried treasure in everyone's gardens

Parking Issues

Can I once again please ask parents to NOT park on the Zig-Zag Lines in front of the school. The lines are there to make a safe crossing point for parents and children and if they are obscured an accident could occur.

It has also come to my notice that some vehicles are using the entrance to the car park as a turning circle. This is once again putting pupils at risk Please park safely and courteously as some of our neighbours have reported that they have been unable to get cars out of drives, preventing them from getting to work and appointments on time.

I have also been made aware of situations that have arisen as a result of one parent pointing out to another that they shouldn't be parking on the zig zag lines. If any verbal threats are made towards parents the school will always advise that they report the incident to the police and to pass on the registration plate of any car that they are driving.

POLITE NOTICE
NO PARKING
IN THIS AREA

DO NOT
PARK OR WAIT ON
SCHOOL ENTRANCE MARKINGS

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NO PARKING
IN THIS AREA




**SIR THOMAS RICH'S
GLOUCESTER**

Open Days

Wed 2nd & Thurs 3rd May 2018

8.30am-1.05pm & 2.15-3.30pm
see www.strschool.co.uk for details

 **Ofsted**
Outstanding
Provider

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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
an appointment necessary

Tuesday 19th June 2018: Open morning for Year 5
children anticipating entry in September 2019
9am - 12 noon
an 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

Stroud Road, Gloucester, GL1 5LE

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



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GET INVOLVED WITH SSE WILDCATS
HAVE FUN, MAKE FRIENDS, PLAY FOOTBALL

SIGN UP NOW

Cheltenham Town Ladies SSE Wildcats Centre
Weekly from Tuesday, 10th April 6-7pm
at All Saints' Academy, Blaisdon Way
Cheltenham GL51 0WH
Email: ctladiesyouth@gmail.com

 **CHELTEHAM TOWN
LADIES FC**

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THEFA.COM/PLAY-FOOTBALL

 **For ALL**

**Special Olympics Gloucestershire
Athletics Club**

Where: Cricket Hall, Leisure @,
Cheltenham, GL50 4RN
When: Every Friday
Time: 4.30pm - 5.30pm
First session FREE!

The club is open to children aged 6 -16 with learning disabilities
and their siblings to take part in and enjoy. Every week we run,
throw and jump across all athletic disciplines with experienced,
engaging coaches!

Please note: It is with regret that the venue is currently inaccessible for wheelchair users



Contact Jenny Rutter for more information and to book your place.
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