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Newsletter

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8. Friday 12th January 2018

Happy New Year and welcome back to a new term. The Spring term is traditionally the key term for children to start consolidating their learning and demonstrating that they have settled into the year. Expectations have been made clear to them and it is envisaged that good progress will be made in their academic studies. We look forward to working with you to ensure that this is the case.

Young Voices

Well done to all those children who took part in the event last night at the Genting Arena. It sounds as if you all had a fantastic time, even if you did get to bed quite late!

An enormous thank you to the staff for accompanying the children, it was certainly a long day. A special thank you to Mr Williams for organizing our participation in this wonderful event.

School Prayer Group

February 2nd/March 2nd/April - no meeting/May 4th/June 8th/July 6th

If you would like more information about the group, please contact Andrew Hiscock either by email: arhiscock@gmail.com or by telephone: 07926093738.

Hearing and Vision Screening for children in Reception

12th and 13th March

If you do not want your child to be screened please contact NHS on 0300 421 8225
Or NC.MP@glos-care.nhs.uk

STEM Week

We will once again be organising a STEM week this term. If you feel that you could contribute to this week, please contact Mrs Holding, Mrs Dodwell or Miss Perkins who will be pleased to hear from you.

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NEST

(Nurturing and Emotional Support Team)

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Clubs

Please see the letter attached to this newsletter. We now have several outside providers running clubs. Mini Marines is our latest group. Can parents please ensure that children bring suitable clothing for this club as they do aim to go outside as much as possible.



Thank you to all of those parents who took the time to complete the 'Computing at Woodmancote' questionnaire. This will help me to improve the teaching of Computing at Woodmancote.



Here are a few statistics from the survey.

96% of children have access to a computing device at home, normally a tablet.

92% of children have access to the internet with 60% of children using it for YouTube.

Nearly 30% of children use the internet in an unsupervised area of the home.

80% of parents said that they discussed how to stay safe online with their children.

77% of parents said that they would attend a parent information meeting at school.

Rainforest coding is a subscription based website that the school has paid a school membership for, so we do ask children not to use it at home.

A parent meeting will be organised, watch this space.

The school have chosen to use Manga High to help support Maths at home, as we felt that MyMaths was limited, please ask your class teachers for the logins.

There will be a new section on the school newsletter to inform you of suitable apps and websites to use at home with the class newsletters providing an overview of what objectives are taught.

Internet safety is something that should be discussed no matter what age the child is. We start internet safety teaching in Reception with specific videos used in Year 1.

Thank you for your support, Miss Perkins

Diary Dates

8th January 2018	Children return to school after Christmas break
18th January	Cleeve School teachers visiting the school
23rd January	Mobile Library Visit
24th January	Little Chestnuts Open Day A chance for parents to see the Pre-School between 9.30-2.30
29th January-9th February	Bikeability for Year 6
5th February	PTA Pancake Flip
5th and 6th February	Year 4 Production 7pm
6th February	Year 1 trip to the SS Great Britain (Bristol)
Friday 9th February	Last day of Term 3
Friday 9th February	Oak and Ash Castle Day An opportunity to come dressed up as anything related to their topic
19th February	First day of Term 4
20th and 22nd February	Parent Consultation Evenings 20 th 4.30-7.30 22 nd 3.30-6.30
26th February-2nd March	STEM Week (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths)
12th March	NHS Hearing & Vision for Reception
19th-23rd March	Healthy Body, Healthy Mind Week A week of events supporting parents with their children. More details to follow
22nd March	'You are not on the Back Foot' An evening to inspire and support all parents. 7.30-9pm
26th March	Year 3 to Town Hall Music for Youth event
28th March	Last day of Term 4
16th April	First day of Term 5



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PTA News

Happy New Year! Hope you all had a great Christmas break and are ready for the new term. Looking back to the end of last year we had amazing Christmas Fair that was enjoyed by lots of people, young and old. It was fantastically successful and we raised over £2600, however, it couldn't have happened without the dedication and support of all the volunteers helping man the stalls, setting and tidying up; a very big thank you. Another big thank you needs to go to all the people and companies that donated prizes for the raffle the list is extensive:

Purity Brewery	Wyevale	Ellenborough Park	Cotswold BMW
Peter Ball	Cotswold Dairy	C&P Foods Services	Freda Burton
Andrews	Nue Kitchens	Stuart Holmes	Feverfew
Cleeve Outdoors	Greyholme Dental Suite	Sarla	Badhams
Archant	Nikki Nails & Beauty	Court Farm Shop	Folly Vets
Guilford & Carter	House of Fraser	Orchid Beauty	Subway
Courtyard Books	Rising Sun	21 Club	Wavelength
Party Balloons	Eden Florists	Billy Shears	Lots of Lemons
Lowrys	Dannys	Skin Deep	Co-Op
McDonalds	Dyson	C B Hair	Ink Spot
Lewis Newsagents	The Hair Studio	The Swallow Inn	The Factory Shop
The Royal Oak	Cheltenham Town FC	Violet & Percy	The Kings Head
Alexander Burn Funeral Directors			

Finally, thank you to all of you that attended and provided your support.