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Newsletter

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Friday 4th October 2024

Literature Festival

A superbly behaved group of Year 4 and Year 5 children travelled to the centre of Cheltenham this morning in order to visit the Literature Festival. They spent time in the Story tent, browsing books at Waterstones and then being entertained by Ben Miller.

A big thank you to Mr Ridal for organising.

Parent Consultations

The booking process goes live on Monday at 10am.

We are in the process of changing the way we record My Plans in school, for those children with Special Educational Needs. The new learning plans have a section named 'Parent Comments'. Your child's class teacher will be in touch very shortly, asking for your input into this new plan.

*As a result of our new approach, you are invited to have a **20 minute consultation** with your child's class teacher instead of the normal 10 minute discussion at parents' evening. Teachers will be in touch offering dates and times, but you **do not** need to sign up to a Parent Consultation when appointments go live on Monday 7th at 10am.*

Coats

There are many children who are not coming to school with appropriate coats to wear at break and lunchtime. We aim to get the children out, whatever the weather, so please send them with a coat, even if the day looks as if it will be dry. Thank you.

Reception 2025 Open Sessions

As we are starting the new academic year, we are looking ahead to our 2025 Reception starters. With this in mind we would like to invite prospective parents and children to one of the following open sessions;

Mon 7th October, 9am & 1.45pm

Thurs 17th October, 1.45pm

Tue 19th November, 9am

Tue 26th November, 9am & 1.45pm

Places are limited so please call to book your place.

Screens and their impact on child development

This link takes you to a talk that is incredibly powerful and thought-provoking. It is only short, but well worth watching.

https://www.ted.com/talks/molly_wright_how_every_child_can_thrive_by_five?subtitle=en

Baby News

Mr and Mrs Guest are now the proud parents of a beautiful little boy called Rowan. Everyone is well and enjoying family life!

Socks and Pants

Little Chestnuts and Reception are always in need of spare pants and socks. If you have any that you no longer need, please pass them on to a member of staff. Thank you.



Disco disco disco!

Preparations for the autumn school disco are underway and we will share details with you very soon but in the meantime, we hope you're getting your dancing shoes ready!

A big thank you to everyone for sponsoring the children to do the colour fun run, we have made an incredible £1737.20!! This will go directly back into school for all the children to benefit from.

Congratulations to Jack and Mia for winning the sunflower competition with their enormous sunflower - we hope you enjoy the prize!

The PTA AGM will be on the 16th of October at 7pm in School and is an opportunity for new and existing members to come along. We are a great team of parents who fundraise for the school and also enjoy a couple of pub outings each year. Volunteers can offer as much or as little of their time and without the support of parents it means we can't put on the events for the children. Each year at the AGM all roles are up for grabs (chair, secretary and treasurer) and we need these positions to be filled! If you are interested in joining or would like more information on the roles, please email us: thepta@woodmancote.gloucs.sch.uk

Dates for the Diary

October	
Black History Month	
Tuesday 15th October	School Photos
Tuesday 22nd and Thursday 24th October	Parent Consultation Evenings
Friday 25th October	INSET Day No school for children
November	
4th November	First day back after half term
w/b 13th November	Anti-Bullying Week
15th November	Children in Need
December	
11th December	Christmas Dinner Day
20th December	Last Day of Term



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