



Bisley Blue Coat C of E School

Weekly Newsletter

Term 5 Newsletter 6:18th May 2026

Diary Dates

MAY

20th Wonderful Wednesday
Open Classroom, 3.15pm
25th Start of Half Term

JUNE

1st June Return to School
1st - 4th Pre-School Visits for
New Reception
5th Sports Day with Oakridge
8th World Oceans Day
8th - 12th KS1 Phonics Screening
Week
8th - 12th Y4 Multiplication
Tables Check
9th Y6 Leavers Service Cathedral
Visit, 10.30am
12th Reserve Sports Day
15th New Reception Parents'
Meeting, 3.15pm
22nd New Reception Teddy
Bear's Picnic, 12pm
22nd—26th New Reception
Home Visits
22nd—1st Assessment Weeks
24th TK Open Morning 9-11am
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29th Class 3 Production,
Cotswold Playhouse

JULY

2nd—3rd Transition days
2nd New Reception Stay and Play
Session 1, 10am
3rd New Reception Stay and Play
Session 2, 2pm
8th—10th Class 3 Residential,
Wilderness Centre
10th Reports to Parents/Carers
13th—17th SEN Review Meetings
17th Year 6 Leavers Service,
2.15pm Church
17th Last Day of Term - Break up
for Summer
20th INSET DAY - School Closed
for Pupils



Message from the Executive Headteacher

Following last week's busy and successful period of SATs and our special Ascension celebrations, it is lovely to move into a slightly quieter week, giving everyone a chance to pause, reflect and enjoy the rhythm of school life.

We are very much looking forward to our Wonderful Wednesday Open Classroom event this Wednesday 20th at 3.15pm. This is always a highlight, offering families the opportunity to step into the classroom, celebrate the children's work, and share in their learning experiences. We hope as many of you as possible will be able to join us.

As we approach the end of the week, we also look ahead to the start of half term on the 25th. This provides a well-earned break for both pupils and staff after a busy and productive time in school.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We wish all our families a restful and enjoyable half term break when it arrives.

With love ♥
Mrs Broadbent



Wonderful Wednesday!

This Wednesday 20th May is our next Federation Open Classroom event. This is an opportunity for children to share with their parents/carers what they have been learning about this term. Once children have been dismissed as usual, parents/carers are invited back into the classroom with their child to look at their child's books & displays. A member of school staff will also be on hand in case you have any questions. We hope this provides you with another useful opportunity to expose you to what your child is experiencing in school.



School Meal Price Increase

The Great Plate has informed us that from 1st June, the price of all school meals will be £2.95. This brings them in line with the County Council contract price and supports the ongoing increases in food costs.

The Great Plate want us to pass on that they care deeply about the meals they provide and the role they play in children's days, from nourishing their bodies to creating calm, positive lunchtime experiences. They are committed to continuing to serve fresh, thoughtfully prepared food that children enjoy and that schools can feel proud of. This annual adjustment helps them continue supporting their teams, maintaining quality, and growing their work in a sustainable way, so they can keep delivering the care and consistency our school community relies on.

The Great Plate are truly grateful for your continued support and partnership.

A reminder that all diary dates for the school year can be found in the 3-fold calendar we provided you at the end of last academic year. It can also be found on the 'Term Dates' page of our website.



Our value this term is
FRIENDSHIP



Lateness

If your child is late to school, please ensure that you sign them in via the School Office who will escort your child to class. Many thanks.



Pupil Absences

If your child is absent from school, please call the school office by 9am stating the reason for absence. Alternatively, you can message the school via E-Praise.



School Policies

The majority of our school policies can be found online.

Sports Day



Sports day is the first week back after half term, so we wanted to invite you to join us on Friday 5th June. This year we are planning a whole day of activities and we will hold this at the Bisley sports field, on Van Der Breen Street, Bisley, GL6 7BN. As in previous years, Oakridge School will join us.

The day will be in two parts – the usual races and other sporting activities – namely a climbing wall and archery. Details of timings are below;

Key Stage 2 children will have their races in the morning, whilst Key Stage 1 are taking part in the archery and climbing wall. We will have a picnic lunch (all parents are invited to stay for this) then we swap. Parents are invited to **join us for the racing element** of their children's event i.e Key Stage 2 in the morning and Key Stage 1 in the afternoon – if you have a crossover with two children in each Key Stage, of course you are very welcome to attend the whole day.

All children should come to school as normal, but dressed in their PE kits. We will take the register and then walk the children to the sports field for a 9.30am start. Lunch will take place from 11.30pm – 12.30pm and we will have use of the pavilion for toilets and water refills for the day. After lunch, activities will start up again from 12.30pm and we aim to finish around 3pm.

If the weather is warm, children will need a sun hat and to have sun screen applied – we will also be arranging some gazebos to sit under if this is the case.

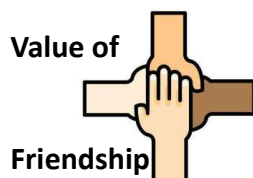
We hope that this will be a really fun day of sporting events and a chance to try out some new activities and gain some new skills.

Celebration Worship - Last Week's Awards



Class 2 - Daisy

Class 3 – Amelia



Class 2 – Larry

Class 3 – Matilda



Class 2 – Ed

Class 3 – Mason

Some are school-based and some are Federation-based. A reminder that a copy of our most up to date policies can be found on the policy page of our school website or Federation website -

https://www.bisleybluecoatcofeprimary.co.uk/statutory_information/policies/policies.html or <https://heartwoodfederation.co.uk/Key-Information/Policies/>



Join Us for Collective Worship

A reminder that those parents/carers whose children are receiving an award in Celebration Worship, are warmly invited to join us on Fridays at 2:40pm in Church. We will ensure a message gets to you if your child is receiving an award – please understand that we award children for their work during that week, hence it not possible to communicate this message to you any sooner than we do. We look forward to seeing some of you there!



No Dogs on Site

A kind reminder that no dogs are permitted on site except for therapy or assistance dogs, or those that are purely passing through on the footpaths. Many thanks.



Safeguarding

Please help us to keep our children safe. When you leave the school premises and you know we have children on site,

Bear Inn Parking Reminder

The Bear Inn kindly allow parents to use their car park for drop off and pick up. Please do not park in front of or side of the Bear as this blocks access. You should not be parking by their garden area where the picnic tables are. Thank you for respecting their private space.



Breakfast Club Reminder

Please note that breakfast is only served up to 8.25am so that children have time to eat before the start of school.



All Saints Church – Ice Cream Fridays

Ice cream will be served in the church at the end of the day on Fridays during the Summer Term.

Enjoy!

Bikeability Holiday Course – May Half Term

Gloucestershire County Council is running a Bikeability Holiday Course during the May half term for pupils who may have missed Bikeability training in school, or who would like additional practice. This is a great opportunity for children to build confidence, independence and essential road safety skills through cycling. There will also be additional courses offered later in the year during the summer holidays and October half-term.



For further information and booking details, please visit:

<https://www.thinktravel.info/upcoming-events/bikeability-holiday-courses>



<https://www.parentpay.com/>

Parents are reminded to check ParentPay regularly to ensure that all payments are up to date.

There should be sufficient credit on your account before ordering school meals.

please ensure the school gates are closed behind you. Many thanks for your support.



Did you know that Bisley Blue Coat has its very own Trust Fund?

Established at the end of 2019, the Trust Fund was created by parents of the school to provide a way of providing financial support to the school in these uncertain times. Due to events of the past few years, we have been on a snooze but feel now is the time to bring the Trust back to life. Your trustees will be sharing more information soon but, in the meantime, if you have any questions, would like more information or want to get involved, please send an email to bbctrustfund@gmail.com



Nut Free School

We now have an individual within our school community that has a severe nut allergy.

Please ensure therefore ensure that all food items brought into school are nut free.

Thank you for your co-operation.



A very special thank you to our parents and children for the special floral tributes, our wonderful PTA for organising the Afternoon Teas and to our dedicated staff for making the Ascension Day Well Tradition a special day for our school and community.



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WHAT'S ON Holiday fun

MAY HALF TERM...

At Kids Stuff Stroud

Monday 25th - Friday 29th May

Daily Craft Tables: 10am-12:30pm

Suitable for all ages and abilities.

Tuesday 26th - Orbeez Stress Balls

Make a water bead Orbeez stress ball, squidge, squeeze and shape sensory fun.

Wednesday 27th - Sharpie Tie Dye

Get designing and tie dying with coloured sharpies. Take home your own design on fabric!

Thursday 28th - Badge Making

Get making your own badge, draw, collage, decorate your own design and wear it with pride!

Friday 29th - Skewer Sculpture

Get creative with paper, beads and clay and make a colourful Skewer sculpture!

Saturday 30th - Toilet Roll Windsocks

Recycle a toilet roll and transform it into a colourful windsock to enjoy in your garden, window or bedroom!

Scavenger Hunt all week - Pick up a sheet from the till area

All Offered: Drop-in, Join-in, Pay-as-you-can

If you enjoy our activities and are able to, please pop a donation in the pot at the till or donate online. This helps us provide more sessions to support local families. Thank you!

No need to book - A member of the team will be hosting 10:30am-12pm

The Long Table will be offering pay-as-you-can lunches and kids jacket potatoes throughout the Half term holiday. Lunchtimes daily, 12-2pm. *Subject to availability

All event details here: www.strouddistrictkidsstuff.org.uk

Find us at: Brimscombe Mills, Brimscombe, Stroud, GL5 2QN

@strouddistrictkidsstuff Stroud District Kids Stuff

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WHAT'S ON MAY POP-UP SALES



We are excited to be popping up with sales across Gloucestershire this May

Saturday 16th May

Nailsworth Festival - 10am - 3pm

Nailsworth Festival, Mortimer Gardens, 17 Fountain St, Nailsworth, Stroud GL6 0BL
Find us at the Nailsworth Festival Market, we will be bringing Kids Stuff's circular economy shop to the market with toys, games, books and clothes for ages (0-12 years), TeenStuff (12-16 years), and a family drop-in craft table.

Saturday 24th May

St John Churchdown & Innsworth - 10am-12:30pm

St John the Evangelist Churchdown and Innsworth, Johns Ave, Gloucester GL3 2DB
We are bringing our Circular Economy pop-Up Sale back again to St John the Evangelist Churchdown and Innsworth to support local families this spring. There will also be Pay-as-you-can refreshments available.

May Half Term Family Fun - 10am-1pm

FREE - Drop in - All Welcome

Kids Stuff in partnership with Family Action, Sportily and World Jungle are inviting community partners to join us with planning a number of pop-up events this May half term.

Bringing families together this May half term with free fun, food and activities, an affordable Kids essentials pop-up sale and community support - everyone welcome.

Tuesday 26th - Stonehouse, Old Ends Park

Oldends Lane Playing Fields, Oldends Lane, Stonehouse, GL10 2DG

Wednesday 27th - Dursley, Treetops Family Centre

Treetops Children and Family Centre, School Rd, Dursley GL11 4NZ

Thursday 28th - Upper Rissington, Village Hall

Upper Rissington Village Hall, GL54 2QW

Friday 29th - Bourton-On-The-Water

Naught Park, GL54 2AR



All event details here: www.strouddistrictkidsstuff.org.uk

Find us at: Brimscombe Mills, Brimscombe, Stroud, GL5 2QN

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The Christian Community Children's Summer Camp 2026

Saturday 25th July - Saturday 1st August **7 DAYS**

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