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Loving one another, building each other up

17th September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

House Captain Elections

Following presentations earlier in the week our school house captains have been elected as follows:

- Hedgehogs = Chloe Swanson (captain); Paighton Griffin (deputy)
- Badgers = Tyler Crowell (captain); Grace Partridge and Lelan Meek (deputies)
- Foxes = Erin Dunton (captain); Maci Taylor (deputy)
- Squirrels = Izzy Peffer (captain); Paige Tribe (deputy)

School Photographs - Wednesday 22nd September 2021

The school photographer will be on site on Wednesday 22nd September 2021 to take individual photos and sibling group photos of all our children. Please ensure school uniform is worn. **For this week only Holly Leaves Class will hold their Forest Schools session on the Friday.**

Rags to Riches – Clothing Collection – Wednesday 22nd September 2021

Our next collection of good quality clothing/shoes and accessories has been booked for Wednesday 22nd September. Please bring your donations to school on the morning of Wednesday 22nd September and leave under the covered area by the main entrance door. Thank you, all your donations will go towards raising funds for the school.

Hot School Meals

Hot school meals are now available, a meals costs £2.34 and is free for children who are entitled to free school meals, also free for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 as they are entitled to a universal infant free school meals.

Please remember to use our online payment system www.parentpay.com to pay for meals. If you have forgotten your log in details please contact the office.

Menus will be sent out on a Friday, please return them for Monday morning registration. If you have not completed a menu and your child would like to have a meal they will be given the first choice on the menu.

School Uniform and Coats

We ask that all school uniform is labelled with your child's name including shoes, PE kit and Forest School clothing. It is extremely difficult to find an owner for a green jumper aged 4-5 when there is a class of children that could possibly own a green jumper in that size. Thank you, we know that school uniform is not cheap and want to return items to the correct family.

Children should bring a waterproof coat into school each day, we do like the children to have as much fresh air as possible even if the weather is a little bit drizzly.

Reading Books

We have a shortage of reading books in school, please check to see if you have any at home and return to school as soon as possible. Thank you.

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Flu Immunisation – 22nd October 2021

The Flu Immunisation pack was issued to children earlier this week. Please return the consent form as soon as possible, unfortunately the NHS are not using an electronic registration service this year.

Holly Leaves Class

Please remember to wear PE kit into school on a Monday as Holly Leaves class have a PE session with Mr English. Also on a Wednesday we ask that the children wear their Forest Schools clothing. Please note that for this week only Forest Schools will be on Friday due to photographs.

October Half Term – Holiday Free School Meals (FSM) Scheme

For the October half-term, Gloucestershire County Council is providing vouchers to parents who have signed up to our Holiday Free School Meals (FSM) scheme. These vouchers are provided by Gloucestershire County Council as part of its commitment to 'no child goes hungry'. The vouchers are funded through COVID-19 grant funding we have received and is separate to that of the term time free school meals.

Parents who have signed up to the scheme will receive a voucher for £15 for each child who is eligible for FSM which will cover the half-term week.

Parents who have signed up previously do not need to re-register, they have already been included, but, to ensure we get all who are eligible, we are encouraging new parents to sign up as soon as they can.

Applications for Holiday Free School Meal Vouchers for October Half Term is open from Monday 13 September until midday Friday 24 September. Vouchers will be sent out between Monday 27 of September and 30 of September. Vouchers are being sent out this early due to Covid grant stipulations.

For more information and to sign up if you haven't already please visit our website: the [Holiday School Meal vouchers page on](#) our website. For any queries please contact: childrensfund@gloucestershire.gov.uk

Cases of Covid 19 and self isolation

If your child is unwell before the start of the school day, please do not bring them into school. Please phone the school office and let a member of staff know exactly what symptoms your child is exhibiting, even if you do not suspect Covid-19. If your child has symptoms: persistent cough, high temperature, loss of sense of taste or smell please arrange a PCR test.

Your help is very much appreciated in helping us to keep our school community Covid safe.

Contact Details

As the vast majority of our communications will now be through email or postings on the website or twitter is it even more important that we have up to date contact details for you. If you or your emergency contacts have changed telephone numbers, email addresses or have moved house please let us know as soon as possible.

Diary Dates

Wednesday 22 nd September	Rags to Riches Clothing Collection
Wednesday 22 nd September	Individual and family group photographs
Thursday 7 th October	Special Caterlink Hotmeal - details to follow
Tuesday 19 th October	Harvest at St Ethelberts Church – children only
Friday 22 nd October	Flu Immunisation
Friday 22 nd October	Packed lunches only, hot meals unavailable

Term Dates 2021/22

Term 1	Monday 6 th September – Friday 22 nd October	(Inset days 2 nd and 3 rd September)
Term 2	Tuesday 2 nd November – Friday 17 th December	(Inset day 1 st November)
Term 3	Tuesday 4 th January – Thursday 17 th February	(Inset day 18 th February)
Term 4	Monday 28 th February – Friday 8 th April	
Term 5	Monday 25 th April – Friday 27 th May	
Bank Holiday	Monday 3 rd May	
Term 6	Monday 6 th June – Wednesday 20 th July	(Inset day 21 st July)

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