

# Steam Mills Primary

06.05.22

Dear Parents/Carers,

## **C3 & C4 trip Gloucester Mosque & Cathedral - Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Jun**

We are unfortunately unable to change the date of the trip on Mon 27<sup>th</sup> June. Please would parents of Y6 children transitioning to Dene Magna and Forest High School contact Miss Agg to inform if they will be attending the Y6 induction days or have decided to go on the trip. A refund of monies will then be arranged, if necessary.

## **Curriculum**

The children have enjoyed starting their new units of work and have been excited to talk about them. Teachers have updated their knowledge organisers on the website (Curriculum tab) and they include:

- Class 1: All Aboard - a look into transport and how it has evolved over time.
- Class 2: Once Upon a Forest – learning about the links between famous Kings and Queens and the Forest of Dean.
- Class 3: Local Industry in the Forest of Dean – learning about the industries linked to the Forest of Dean and how this has shaped communities today.
- Class 4: Ancient Maya – learning about an advanced ancient civilisation and comparing to other civilisations previously taught.

Children will be looking carefully at these knowledge organisers and they will have fun quizzes based on their learning to support their memory recall and to build rich webs of knowledge.

## **FOSM**

Thank you to FOSM members for meeting last week to plan fundraising events. Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July will also be a non-uniform day to encourage children to bring in items for the Summer School Fayre (details to follow).

## **Reading**

Please remember to read daily at home, as this really does help your child. It is important to record ANY reading in reading records and this can include books you have read together and any other books apart from schoolbooks that your child has read.

## **Diary Dates**

### **May**

- 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> KS2 SATS
- 13<sup>th</sup> Tempest Class  
Photos & Leavers  
Photos
- 17<sup>th</sup> Rags2Riches  
collection  
Reception and Year  
6 NHS Screening
- 26<sup>th</sup> Last Day of Term  
Jubilee Celebrations  
FoSM Non-school  
Uniform Day
- 27<sup>th</sup> Inset Training Day  
Bowling Club open  
sessions – children  
welcome from 3pm

### **June**

- 6<sup>th</sup> Start of Term 6
- 7<sup>th</sup> Class 3 start  
Gymnastics
- 15<sup>th</sup> C3 Trip to Clearwell  
Caves & Hopewell  
Colliery
- 17<sup>th</sup> Sports Day
- 24<sup>th</sup> Sponsored Walk
- 27<sup>th</sup> C3&C3 Trip to  
Gloucester Mosque  
& Cathedral

### **July**

- 1<sup>st</sup> FoSM Non- uniform  
day
- 4<sup>th</sup>&6<sup>th</sup> Y5/6 Residential –  
South Cerney
- 12<sup>th</sup> Leavers Play –  
matinee & evening
- 13<sup>th</sup> Y5 Super Learning  
Day – Five Acres  
High
- 15<sup>th</sup> FoSM Summer Fayre  
4pm
- 20<sup>th</sup> Last Day of Term –  
FoSM Non-uniform  
Day
- 21<sup>st</sup> Inset Training Day

## Families Magazine

Here is the [link](#) to the latest issue of [Families Gloucestershire Magazine](#).

This issue is full of useful information and advice for parents including starting school resources, times tables resources, Father's Day gift ideas, adventures at home and much more.

## Birthday Cakes & Nut Free School

Please could we ask that birthday cakes that are brought into school are not homemade so that they have packaging marked with ingredients (for allergy information). Ideally, we would also appreciate if they could be of an individual portion type.

Please do not give children nuts as part of their snack or packed lunch; this will eliminate any risk of children who may have an allergic reaction to them.

## Toys

Please could we ask that no personal toys from home be brought into school. It can be difficult to keep track of items within the class and the school cannot be responsible for their safekeeping. Thank you.

## Rights Respecting

Article 31, the right to relax and play. Children have explored ways in which Duty Bearers at school support them to get this right. We are now well on the way to summer and it would be great to take your child outdoors whenever possible. Why not try a nature scavenger hunt to see how much wildlife you can spot? There is an attached activity to get you started.

## Prostars – Half Term Club

With May half term just around the corner, Prostars are delighted to announce their confirmed venue for a half term kid's club camps. They are running at Dene Magna Secondary School, which is not far from Steam Mills. Please see the attached information.

## Rags to Riches

Our next collection is Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May. Please do keep us in mind if you are having a sort out. Please place items in bags and bring to school on the morning, first-thing as the collection is usually 9:15 am. Acceptable items are listed here; [What We Collect - Rags 2 Riches 4 Schools](#) Thank you.

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact school. It is advisable to contact your child's teacher in the first instance.

Best Wishes  
Mrs Davis



## Head Teacher Certificates



### Pre-school

**Tiago** – practising his number and letter writing at home.

**Bertie** – focussing on activities for a period of time.

### Class 1

**Evie & Ariana** – for settling quickly in the mornings and for coming into school happy, ready to learn.

### Class 2

**Jack & Esme-Rose** – for a great attitude to learning.

### Class 3

**Ana** - settling in well at Steam Mills.

**Freddie** - engaging well with all learning.

### Class 4

**Mia J** – good can-do attitude to her learning.

**Henry** – great diary entry from the perspective of the Queen.