

Steam Mills Primary

01.10.21

Dear Parents/Carers,

School Photos

Tempest Photography will be in school on Thursday 7th October to take sibling and individual photos. If you have any pre-school siblings who are not attending (or are too young to attend) our pre-school setting on Thursday, you are welcome to bring them into school at 9am for sibling photos. All other siblings will be photographed during the morning.

Parent Evenings

Our parent evenings will be taking place remotely this year via Zoom on Tuesday 9th November and Tuesday 16th November. Bookings can be made via your eSchools account from Monday 4th October 2021. You will be sent Zoom details at a later date. Please contact the school office if you experience any difficulties with logging in and booking.

FosM Meeting

There is a Friends of Steam Mills Meeting arranged for 2pm on Friday 8th October 2021. This will be taking place at the school and we would like to encourage anyone who is able to attend to come along. Whether you are new to the school or have been with us for many years, your support is really appreciated.

School Timings

Please could we remind parents/carers that class registration is at 9:00am. Please ensure that your child is in school before this time. Drop and go operates between 8:50am and 9:00am. The school day finishes at 3:15pm for all classes (3pm for Pre-school), and children who are not collected by this time will be placed in After School Club. Many thanks

Data Sheets

We will be sending home Data Collection Sheets next week for all children in Years R-6. Please could you check through and make any updates, paying particular attention to address details, contact phone numbers and medical information. Please return these to school by **Friday 15th October 2021**.

Earrings

Please ensure that if your child is wearing earrings to school, that they are the small stud type and not hoops. For safety, all earrings must to be removed to PE/Sports sessions.

Children in Need Day

Takes place on Friday 19th November. Children can wear non-uniform or a costume of choice. Please donate £1.

Diary Dates

October

7th Tempest
Photography
(sibling and
individual photos)

21st Last day of Term 1

22nd Inset Day

November

1st Start of Term 2

19th Children in Need

Rights Respecting

This week, each class has had the opportunity to discuss issues around climate change and how this will have an impact on children's rights. They have then voted on climate issues important to them. This vote is part of the COP26 summit in Scotland in November. We have discussed how Articles 12 and 13 link to having the right to vote on issues important to them. Children explored how the impact of climate change may make it difficult for children to access education, clean water and clean air. It would be great to find out more at home about the COP26 summit for world leaders on climate change.

Baby Steps

Gloucester City and Forest and Stroud Targeted Family Support (TFS) Services have joined forces to develop a new Baby Steps group service to deliver early intervention/universal support for parents and infants born during the pandemic to recover from the impact of Covid. These universal groups provide low-level family support, focusing on the needs of the groups and covering a variety of learning and social opportunities supporting health, wellbeing, and child development.

Many families have not been able to have the 'usual' experience of meeting other families in social groups. The groups are completely free, and each session will include a variety of fun, messy play, singing and dancing and learning opportunities as well as offering a safe, space to meet other parents, listen to guest speakers and have an opportunity for social time. The groups are for two age groups of children 0-9 months or 9 months to 2 years and will be running in Gloucester City, Stroud, and Forest of Dean areas. There is also the option of attending virtual sessions.

Please see attached information.

Our School App

A reminder to please use your App store provider, search for Our School App and download, enter the post code – GL14 3JD and select Steam Mills Primary School. All future Newsletters and general information will be uploaded to the new App.

Best Wishes
Mrs Davis

**Head Teacher Certificates**

Pre-school
Adam - for always persevering with new challenges and situations

Class 1
Evie & Annabelle - for their hard work in phonics and blending their sounds.

Class 2
Mollie – for a super learning attitude all week.

Esmee-Rose – for always being ready to learn.

Class 3.
Evie - good understanding of the digestive system.

Pacey - excellent effort in science

Class 4
Mia – for being an excellent learning partner.

Aurelia – for a consistent learning attitude.