

Steam Mills Primary

10.06.22

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Term 6! We hope you all had a lovely Jubilee Half-term break. We have a packed final term for this school year and we are looking forward to seeing you at some of our events.

Photo Orders – Y6 Leavers

If you are not placing your order on-line, please return any paper order requests by Monday 13th June. They will be posted on Tuesday 14th June in order to receive the photos back by the end of term.

Class Photos

These are still at the Tempest lab for processing; we hope to receive the proofs soon to enable you to order before the end of term.

Sports Day

Parents/Carers are welcome to come and spectate for our Sports Morning on Friday 17th June. We will be back over on the sports field as in previous years. Please could children bring sunhats, a water bottle; have sun cream applied before school and come to school in their PE kit. FoSM will be providing soft drinks for the morning.

Schedule:

9:00-9:35

EYFS&KS1 (Pre-school, Reception, Y1 & Y2) Scoring Events

9:40-10:30

EYFS&KS1 (Pre-school, Reception, Y1 & Y2) Races

10:35-11:15

KS2 (Y3-6) Scoring Events

11:20-12:00

KS2 (Y3-6) Races

Be warned – there may be a parents/carers race!

Sponsored Walk

We have had to take the decision to push back our Sponsored Walk, which will now take place on the last day of term on **Wednesday 20th July**. Details and sponsor forms will be sent home next week. This day will be **a packed lunch day only**; please do not order hot dinners even though that option will be on ParentPay (we are unable to remove). Thank you.

Diary Dates

June

- 15th C3 Trip to Clearwell Caves & Hopewell Colliery
- 17th Sports Day
- 22nd In the Net Y4's
- 27th Dene Magna & Forest High Y7 Induction week
C3&C3 Trip to Gloucester Mosque & Cathedral
- 28th Whole School Bump up Morning
- 29th C2 Trip to Goodrich Castle.

July

- 1st FoSM Non- uniform day – Tombola prizes for the Summer Fayre
 - 4th&6th Y5/6 Residential – South Cerney
 - 12th Leavers Play – matinee & evening
 - 13th Y5 Super Learning Day – Five Acres High
 - 15th FoSM Summer Fayre 4pm
 - 19th Y6 Leavers Service
 - 20th Sponsored Walk - Last Day of Term
 - 21st Inset Training Day
- September 2022**
- 5th Inset Training Day
 - 6th Start of Term 1

Lunches

If you are ordering a school meal, children are requested not to bring in extras, such as sauces etc. The school meal is balanced and we cannot allow any extra condiments.

Class Snippets

Pre-school – we have engaged in activities and talked about our new topic 'Oh I do like to be beside the seaside'. We have also started to practise for Sports Day!

Class 1 – we are continuing our learning about Neil Armstrong and the first moon landing.

Class 2 – have been working hard on their fantastic phonics! The year 1's all completed the phonics screening check and gave it their best! We have also been working well in music with Mrs Evans, singing beautiful songs and composing their own sections of music. It is wonderful to hear!

Class 3 - started gymnastics this week. They all really enjoyed their first session and experienced challenges on the beam, vault and bars. They even mastered handstands and cartwheels on their first session! The gym is a fantastic opportunity for the children to support their physical development.

Class 4 – we have started rehearsals for their end of year production, a classic - School Daze. Parts have been assigned and singing is in full swing! We have also been analysing powerful speeches and their impact on an audience. Lots of children are doing very well in their swimming and some even achieved their Level 2 Water Safety.

Rights Respecting

This week, we have discussed dignity and respect. The children understand that treating someone with dignity means treating everyone equally and fairly. We also explored the British Values of equality, individual liberty, mutual respect and democracy. It would be great to follow this up with a discussion at home too.

Safeguarding

Drop & Go

Please note that the drop and go system is for Years 2-6 only. We are not able to take younger children to their class for you and are mindful this could cause a safeguarding issue.

Internet Safety – “Siren Head”

We have been made aware of a game that some of the children in school are playing at home. Please could you ensure you check any computer games that your child may encounter, because even with Parental Controls the games can still be accessed. It is quite simple to search for advice as I have done here for “Siren Head”.

The iTunes Store rates the app as 12+ (advising of “mild/infrequent horror/fear themes”), while the PEGI rating for Android is just 3+, which means that very young children might be able to download and play the game even with parental controls activated on their device or through Google Play.

Dogs on the school site

Please note that the school does not allow dogs on the school site. Please bear this in mind when dropping off and collecting your child/ren. Thank you



Head Teacher Certificates



Pre-school

Mason – fantastic development in his confidence and self care.

Daphne – great recall of her holiday in half-term.

Class 1

Piper - for her continuing independence with her writing.

Alfie C - for his hard work with his reading and writing this week

Class 2

Blair - drawing a beautiful prayer mat.

Ruby - Amazing reading and phonics.

Class 3

Paige - great enthusiasm at gymnastics.

Macey – a helpful attitude around the classroom.

Class 4

Georgie – articulate use of Y6 features in her writing.

Riley C – an outstanding effort in maths lessons.

Main Gate

Please could we ask parents/carers to not prop open the gate. There is a significant risk of danger on entering the car park and we need to safeguard children that can sometimes run straight out ahead of their parents/carers.

Information on familial support over the summer holidays – Free School Meals

Please find attached information on familial support available over the summer from Gloucestershire County Council.

Please let us know if you have any questions by emailing

HAFParentenquiries@gloucestershire.gov.uk<<mailto:HAFParentenquiries@gloucestershire.gov.uk>>.

SIM Card

We have been handed a SIM card that was found on the playground. Please see Miss Agg if you are missing one.

As always, please do let us know if you have any questions or queries. We do also encourage parents/carers to let us know if they have any suggestions of events or activities that you would like to see in school.

Best Wishes
Mrs Davis