



This term in 'Life in all its Fullness' curriculum, we are focusing on:



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Friday 4th October 2024

Life in all its Fullness

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Newsletter

It seems that the autumn weather has well and truly caught up with us! Please can you ensure that children are coming to school in appropriate footwear and bring raincoats (if necessary!), so they are able to take full advantage of the outdoor areas at playtimes! Please can we also ask that all school uniform is named, as there are lots of items which seem to be losing their owners!

Children who have shown 'Life in all its Fullness'

Well done to the following children:



GEM POWERS

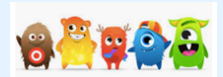
Children who showed our school values in their gem powers over the last couple of weeks:

Harley Wynn, Bethany Perry, Brandon Bowen, Cecee Brown, Elphia Howell, Ralph Burns, George Sweet, Aria Northover, Ralphie Munday, Otie Steele, Enes Karakulah, Oscar Barratt, Ieuan Sawyer.

SPORTS SUPER HEROES

Penny Stokes, Louise Farr, Rafferty Whitney, William Harvey, John Fahed, Martha Gabb, Jaxson Jones, Tabitha Franks, Amelia Buchanan, Eliza Franks, Stevie Watling.

DOJO CERTIFICATE



Daisy Williams, Archie Cross, Jaxson Jenkins, Lucy Elliott, Teddy Stanulewicz-Cook, James Owen, Daniel Ford, Layah Fox, Reuben Whitwell, Esme-Rose Nash, Eliza Franks, Charles Mackenzie.

HOUSES

The house with the most DOJO POINTS this week were: **Tyndale**

The classes with the highest number of DOJO POINTS this week are: **Year 1**, **Year 4** & **Year 6** who have earned extra play.

Well done to all of our children!

EMAIL ISSUES

Unfortunately, we are still having problems sending emails to email addresses that have a Yahoo or AOL domain. Emails that we send to these email addresses will not arrive to the recipient. We can, however, still receive emails from AOL/Yahoo. Our IT technicians are working hard to fix this behind the scenes. In the meantime, if you do need to communicate with school, it may be safer to ring the office directly. We will let you know when the issue is resolved.



PARENT-SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

We have put together what we hope will be a useful table for parents/carers to identify where to send any school-related queries that you may have – whether via the school office or to the teacher directly via Class Dojo. We have tried to cover as many reasons as possible, but inevitably, there will be issues which work outside of the norm. If you are ever in doubt, please contact the school office, where someone will be able to point you in the right direction. To get in touch via email – admin@camhopton.gloucs.sch.uk or telephone – 01453 542763 & press option 2 to come through to the office.

Reason for contact	Do I contact the office directly by telephone call or in person?	Do I contact the teacher through class dojo?
Wellbeing concern		✓
Learning/homework query		✓
Response to direct or class story message		✓
Notification of a child's absence	✓	
A request for a teacher to make contact via phone or in person	✓	
Medical appointment and/or medicines in school	✓	
Early pick-up	✓	
Change in collection arrangements	✓	
Behaviour incidents	✓	
Safeguarding concern	✓	
Complaints	✓	
Lost property	✓	
Reminders for children	✓	

Attendance Update

Thank you for your continued support with raising school attendance for all pupils. It is the national expectation that children are in school every day.

School attendance is currently: **97.4%** The national average is currently: **95.2%**

Why is good attendance important?

Good school attendance is vital for children's success in the future. Being in school every day that it is open is important to your child's achievement, wellbeing, and their wider development. Time in school also keeps children safe and provides access to extra-curricular opportunities and pastoral care.

If children do not attend school regularly, they may:

- struggle to keep up with schoolwork
- have few opportunities to catch up on missed learning
- miss out on the social side of school life
- miss opportunities to make and keep friendships.

In-line with National Attendance updates, Gloucestershire County Council have produced the following leaflets to support parents with school attendance. For ease of access, these leaflets are available on our school website and paper copies are available from the school reception.



HARVEST SERVICE

We will be holding our Harvest Service at St George's Church on **Wednesday 16th October at 9.30am**. All children will be attending, walking to and from the church, and we would like to invite **one parent per family** to attend also! Please can we ask that parents/carers send their child(ren) wearing weather appropriate clothing on this date, so they are comfortable on their walk to and from Church. Thank you.



PARKING & SAFETY CONCERNS AT PICK UP & DROP OFF

We are very aware that the parking at school is far from ideal with it often being very busy and congested. May we ask again that parents park considerately, sensibly, and legally. Please make sure that **you are not parking on the zig-zag lines to the right of school or in the entrance to Elm Lodge**.

We rely hugely on parents making the decision to park sensibly and safely. Please keep your child's safety in the forefront of your thoughts when choosing where to park your vehicle.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER

DSP Photography will be in school on **Monday 7th October** (apologies for the typo in the previous newsletter) to take individual and sibling pictures. Please can parents ensure that children come to school wearing school uniform, including jumpers and NOT wearing PE kit. Please can children who are due to attend Netball/Gymnastics club bring their PE kit to change in to. Please look out for messages from teachers of Class Dojo for their individual arrangements if it is their PE day.



If you have younger children who are not at school and would like them to have a picture taken with their siblings, school will be open from 8:15am for parents to bring children in to have their photos taken. The photographer will be based in the school hall.

RECEPTION 2025 OPEN MORNINGS

If you are thinking of joining our Cam Hopton family, we are delighted to be able to offer two Open Morning events for the September 2025 Reception intake.

Our Open Mornings will take place on **Tuesday 8th October 2024**, and **Tuesday 19th November**, 9:00am – 11am. You will be given a tour of the school by our Year 6 pupils and our Headteacher, Mrs Harris, will be available to discuss any questions you might have about the admissions process and education at Cam Hopton C of E Primary School. You do not need to book for these.

Until then, you may like to watch our [Reception Virtual Tour](#) which will introduce you to our school, staff and pupils.



FLU IMMUNISATION SPRAY—THURSDAY 17th OCTOBER



The NHS team will be in school on **Thursday 17th October** administering the nasal flu spray to pupils. This year, the team have transitioned on to an electronic consent system. If you have not yet completed the consent, please check the ParentMail reminder sent yesterday for details on how to access the consent system. **PLEASE NOTE:** Parents need to complete the online form **EVEN IF YOUR CHILD IS NOT HAVING THE SPRAY**, as the NHS team will be able to update their records and it will prevent any further contact from them. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

MESSY CHURCH

Here are the dates of upcoming sessions, all from 3.30-5pm:

- 27th October
- 24th November

For more details get signed up to our WhatsApp group, contact Revd Fiona at fiona@camandstinchcombe.org.uk or visit our website www.camandstinchcombe.org.uk



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 7 th Oct	DSP Individual & Sibling Photos
Tuesday 8 th Oct	9.00 – 11.00am: Reception 2025 Open Morning
Thursday 10 th Oct	Year 6 last swimming
Saturday 12 th Oct	10am – 11am: Cross Country Race 1
Monday 14 th Oct	KS2 British Black History Workshops
Weds 16 th Oct	9.30am – Harvest Service at St George's Church
Thursday 17 th Oct	Nasal Flu Immunisation Team in school
	Year 5 first swim
Friday 18 th Oct	Whole School Wellbeing Day
W/C 21 st Oct	Year 6 Residential to PGL Tregoyd
Tuesday 22 nd Oct	Rags 2 Riches collection
Thursday 24 th Oct	Year 5 swim
Friday 25 th Oct	Harvest Theme Dress Up Day
	End of Term 1 for children

Monday 4th November - INSET Day 2

Term 2 starts for children on Tuesday 5th November

PTA 2024 -25 Dates for Diaries

Cake Sales

Year 5 – Friday 25th October

Year 4 – Friday 29th November

Year 3 – Friday 31st January 2025

Year 2 – Friday 28th February

Year 1 – Friday 28th March

Reception - Friday 9th May

Rags 2 Riches – Tuesday 22nd October

Fireworks Bar @ Dursley Fireworks – Saturday 2nd November

Christmas Disco, Café & Bar – Friday 6th December

Wreath Making – December - Dates & Venue TBC

Quiz Night – Friday 7th February 2025 (TBC)

Break the Rules – Friday 11th April 2025

Hound Hunt – Sunday 11th May 2025 (TBC)

RAGS 2 RICHES COLLECTION

It's time for another clear out! We've got our next Rags 2 Riches collection scheduled for Tuesday 22nd October. We've attached a reminder of the donation items that are accepted. Children will be bringing home a donation bag next week. If you need additional bags, there will be a few available from the office. The PTA wheely bin will be out the front of school from next week for donations to be dropped off!



**WE ACCEPT CLEAN,
GOOD QUALITY, DRY,
REUSABLE CLOTHING**



**Adults, Childrens &
Babies Clothing**



**Jewellery and
Accessories**



**Paired Shoes
and Footwear**



**Belts and
Handbags**

A full list of reusable items is listed on our website
www.rags2riches4schools.co.uk

PTA SECOND HAND UNIFORM DONATIONS

If you aren't already aware, our PTA have a fantastic system in place where parents/or carers are able to place orders for second hand uniform via email – camhoptonuniform@gmail.com and they will make up the orders from their stocks of uniform that has been kindly donated by parents/carers. The PTA ask for monetary donations of whatever parents can afford towards the cost of the uniform. Due to the volume of generous donations that the PTA have received over the last year, they are currently unable to accept any new donations. Once they start working through the stocks, we'll let you all know of items that they're most in need of.

HARVEST APPEAL



Please help support the work of Stroud District Foodbank and donate an item or two this harvest

TOP 10 ITEMS NEEDED THIS HARVEST

Tinned Ham/Corned Beef

Fray Bentos Pies

Tinned Hot Dogs

Pasta

Pasta Sauce

Tinned Tomatoes

Tinned Carrots

Instant noodles

Tinned Custard

Laundry Liquid

Stroud District Foodbank provides emergency food to local individuals and families in crisis.



COMMUNITY

As part of our Harvest celebrations, we will be collecting donations for Stroud Foodbank over the next few weeks. Thank you to those who have already dropped off some donations! Please check the 'shopping list' items that the foodbank is most in need of. There is a box located in the school office foyer for donations to be dropped off.

This year has been challenging for many in our community, with demand for emergency food reaching record levels. In 2023, the Stroud Foodbank provided 9,317 emergency parcels (5,560 for adults and 3,757 for children), amounting to over 110 tonnes of food.

As demand continues to rise, your support this Harvest will be more crucial than ever in helping local households during their time of need.



Stroud District Foodbank provides emergency food to local individuals and families in crisis.

Frontline care professionals including health visitors, social workers and school liaison officers refer people who are facing hunger to the foodbank. As well as receiving nutritionally balanced food parcels, people visiting the foodbank are welcomed with a cup of tea, listened to and signposted to agencies who are able to help resolve the underlying cause of the problem.

By donating to the foodbank you can help support local people in crisis, thank you!

For more information, please visit our website, email or call.

<https://strouddistrict.foodbank.org.uk>
office@strouddistrictfoodbank.org.uk
Tel: 01453 367 077

Reg. Charity No. 1176306 / Reg. in Eng. & Wales





Family First Aid Classes

The award winning

Daisy First Aid are coming to GL11

Monday 7th October 1-3pm

In this relaxed and friendly class you'll learn techniques for emergency family first aid
CPR-Choking-Defibrillator's-Meningitis and more
Perfect for parents-parents to be and grandparents

Special price of just £20pp
Free creche for your little one
Places limited email
office@gl11.org.uk to book



Come and learn how to mix Egg Tempera paint, using egg yolks & apply gold leaf to make your own panel just like the Old Masters!

All ages welcome -

Come have a go!



Rednock Student Exhibition &



Free National Gallery drop-in Workshop

Sat 5th & Sun 6th Oct 11-3pm | The Engine (Old Oxfam) Dursley

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