



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



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Friday 12th September

Life in all its Fullness

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Newsletter

A warm welcome to the new school year! We hope that you have had a lovely summer and that children are settling happily into their new year groups. It has been a pleasure to see our youngest children starting school; attending stay and play sessions with their parents/carers and completing their first sessions on their own!

Hopefully you will already have received some updates from class teachers on ClassDojo. Continuing from last academic year, the 'chat' function on ClassDojo will remain disabled. Further in this newsletter is a handy chart to help parents direct any queries to the correct place.

School information will continue to be sent out via Parent Mail, so please make sure you are connected and we have the correct contact details for you.

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:

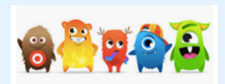
Charlotte C, Arabella N, Ismail K, Tabitha F, Eliza F, Ashton P, Alfie A, Ruth F, Laurence C.

SPORTS SUPER HEROES

Lois M, Ethan N, Jaxson J, Amirah D, Brandon B, Mollie F, Rex P.

DOJO CERTIFICATE

George R, Nugsy E, Lois M, Henry B, Will B, Lois M, Calson W, Faith H, James O.



HOUSES

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

The classes with the highest number of DOJO POINTS this week are: **Year 1** & **Year 3** who have earned extra play.

Well done to all of our children!

START OF YEAR CHECKS

Please ensure that we have up to date contact information, including home addresses, phone numbers and email addresses. You can contact the school office by email at admin@camhopton.gloucs.sch.uk with any updates and we can ensure these are processed.

PARENT PAY & PUPIL PREMIUM/FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Parents need ensure that their child's Parent Pay account is kept **in credit**.

Children who are in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are each entitled to a Universal Free School Meal each day. For children in Year 3– 6 meals are charged at **£2.85** per meal.

The current cost of living crisis is having an impact on us all and Pupil Premium may be a way of offsetting some of the costs of living in these times. Universal Free School Meals currently only applies to children in Key Stage 1. If you think you may be eligible for Pupil Premium which will enable you to access Free School Meals for a child in Key Stage 2, please follow the link below. All you need is your national insurance number to check and the log in is the same as the one you may have used to sign up for your preschool funded hours. If you cannot remember these log in details, please follow the instructions on the website to reset the password.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-transport-and-free-school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals>

Children entitled to Pupil Premium can have a daily hot meal at lunchtime at school and milk at break. Even if your child is in Key Stage 1, we encourage you to apply for Pupil Premium as money we receive can help us contribute towards other provision such as trip costs.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER



DSP Photography will be in school on **Monday 6th October** 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.

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.

HEATHY SNACKS & ALLERGIES

If you send your child to school with a healthy snack, this should be something like a piece of fruit or a cereal bar. Please do not sent children with chocolate biscuits or crisps for snack time.

We have children in school with allergies to certain foods, including nuts. Please keep this in mind when packing lunch boxes and snacks.



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.

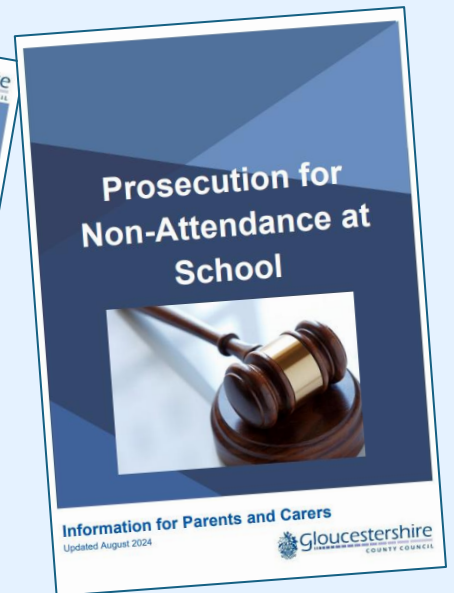
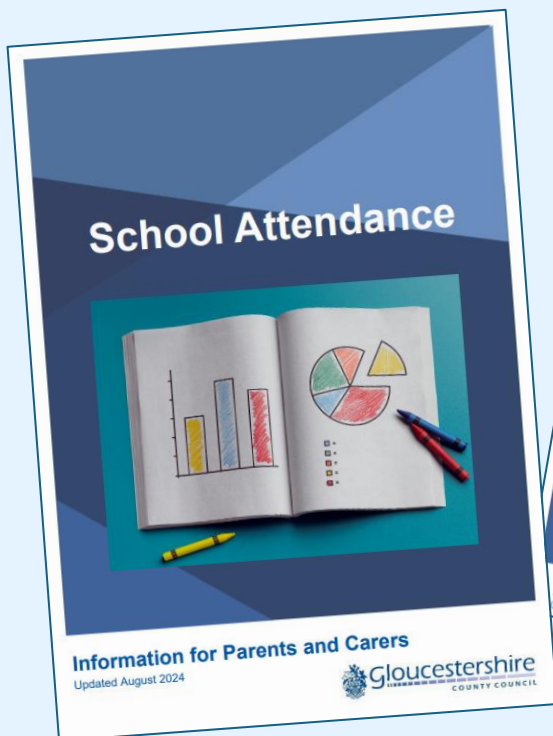
Why is good attendance important?

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.



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At the beginning of term, I wanted to introduce myself to our new parents. Your children are now part of Cam Hopton and since the 18th century, St George's Church has been closely linked with Cam Hopton School. It is my joy to be a part of the school as Vicar of St George's and you will hopefully see me around school helping to lead Open the Book Collective Worships, leading some RE lessons and in my role as an ex-officio governor.

The Voluntary Aided (V.A.) category of church school which Cam Hopton holds means that it is the legal responsibility of the Vicar in conjunction with the church council (the PCC) to appoint Foundation Governors to the school. The foundation governors must make up two-thirds of the governing body and need to be linked to St George's Church. This is all stated in the school articles and can be found here <https://www.camhoptonprimary.co.uk/governors/governors.html>. This helps school to operate consistent with its Christian heritage and with Christian values. The staff then ably support this in the teaching and care of all the pupils. The school also enjoys attending services in St George's church on a regular basis where you will be warmly invited to attend too. The pupils and staff have also had fun with isingPOP, a Christian led charity which assists with collective worship and learning new and contemporary songs for our 21st century children. There is a worship council at school too which I facilitate. This is where pupils review the Christian distinctiveness and values of the school.

I hope this helps you to understand the important link between Cam Hopton school and St George's church. St George's offers a Messy Church Service on the 4th Sunday of the month which is a great way of children exploring St George's, the Christian faith and getting to know us more.

I hope that your children settle into school life really well. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries with what I have outlined above. It is a great privilege to have this relationship with the school and I look forward to meeting you soon.

Fiona Crocker 07817021196 fiona@camandstinchcombe.org.uk

MESSY CHURCH

Please join us for Messy Church at St George's next Sunday, 28th September from 3:30pm-5pm!

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

- 26th October
- 23rd 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



PTA - SAVE THE DATE!!

Tuesday 16th September – 6.00pm – PTA AGM in the School Hall

All are welcome including new parents/volunteers!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 15 th September	International Dot Art Day
Tuesday 16 th Sept	6.00pm - PTA Annual General Meeting (AGM) in school hall
Thursday 18 th Sept	Year 6 swimming
Thursday 25 th Sept	Year 6 swimming
Tuesday 30th Sept	Team 10k Read With Me – sponsored run (more info to follow)
Wednesday 1 st Oct	6.00pm - Year 6 PGL Residential Parents' Meeting in school hall
Thursday 2 nd Oct	Year 6 swimming
Monday 6 th Oct	DSP Individual & Sibling Photos 3.30pm – 6.30pm: Parents' Evening 1
Weds 8 th Oct	9.30am – Harvest Service at St George's Church
Thurs 9th Oct	3.30pm – 6.30pm: Parents' Evening 2
Thursday 9 th Oct	Year 6 swimming
Tuesday 14 th Oct	9.00 – 11.00am: Reception 2026 Open Morning
Thursday 16 th Oct	Year 6 swim
W/C 20 th Oct	Year 6 Residential to PGL Liddington
Tuesday 21 st Oct	Rags 2 Riches collection
Thursday 23 rd Oct	Year 5 swim
Friday 24 th Oct	End of Term 1 for children

Monday 3rd November - INSET Day 2

Term 2 starts for children on Tuesday 4th November



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OPEN EVENING

Thursday 18th September, 5-8pm



We would love for you to become part of our vibrant and caring school community and warmly invite you to our upcoming School Open Evening. On this special evening, you'll have the chance to meet our staff and students, and explore everything our school has to offer. Our Headteacher will deliver presentations at 5.30pm & 6.30pm in the main hall, providing an insight into our school's vision and values.



Scan here to find out more

CALLING ALL BUDDING ARTISTS,
DESIGNERS & CHOCOLATE LOVERS!

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DESIGN A CHOCOLATE BAR COMPETITION



FEELING CREATIVE? WHY NOT
HAVE A GO AT CREATING YOUR
“DREAM CHOCOLATE BAR” FOR
OUR COMPETITION, AND BE IN
WITH A CHANCE OF WINNING
ONE OF OUR WONDERFUL
WONKA THEMED PRIZES!

Pick up a template from Cam
Parish Council offices, or design
your own using an A4 sheet of
paper! Just include your name,
age and a contact email.

COMPLETED DESIGNS CAN BE HANDED
INTO THE CAM PARISH COUNCIL OFFICES
OR BROUGHT ALONG TO THE COMMUNITY
FILM NIGHT

any questions? please contact: hello@camparishcouncil.gov.uk



PRIMARY ART CLUB!



6wks
starts 17th
Sept
£42/36
4.30-6pm

Ages 8-11 yrs (adults do not have to stay)

Local artist Abi Brown will introduce wonderful techniques and
approaches to art in a relaxed and supportive environment. Emphasis is
on exploring materials and creativity rather than the pressure to produce
something perfect. This term Gelli plate printing, Charcoal and chalk,
Weaving, Watercolour techniques/painting and Halloween masks

Whether they love doing art, or would benefit from a small, creative and
nurturing environment we would love to welcome you.
Don't forget art is messy, please wear appropriate clothing/apron.



Info/book: www.quarrychapel.org.uk

The Quarry Chapel The Quarry Cam GL11 6JB

