



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



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Friday 13th February 2026

Life in all its Fullness

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Newsletter

Children who have shown 'Life in all its Fullness'

Well done to the following children:



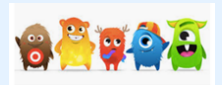
VALUE AWARDS

Children who showed our school values in their gem powers this week:

Willow E, Florrie S, Lily D, Ismail K, Lucy E, Summer T, Laurence C

SPORTS SUPER HEROES

Iona R-D, Dennis M-S, Amelie F, Luna D, Bradley K, Rex P



DOJO CERTIFICATE

Evie W, Archie A, Lilly-Rose J, Ella J, Tamzin A, Autumn-Rose M, Ruby B, Verity S

HOUSES

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

The classes with the highest number of DOJO POINTS this week are: **Year 2 & Year 3** who have earned extra play.

Well done to all our children!

HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SWIMMERS AND CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNERS WHO HAVE HAD AMAZING SUCCESS OVER THE PAST FEW WEEKS.....



Huge congratulations to our swimming team, who competed in the swimming gala at Dursley Swimming Pool. Hopton's swimmers won 12 of the 16 races that they competed in and were victorious in both the male and female relay races to secure themselves the prestigious Dursley Primary Schools Swimming Trophy for the first time since 2005. Well done everyone!

Last Saturday, 35 of Hopton's KS2 children took part in the final cross-country event of the year at Dursley Rugby Club. Despite the treacherous conditions, Hopton's children showed amazing perseverance and determination. A special well done to Mollie (Y4), Ieuan (Y6), Sam (Y6) and Imogen (Y6) who all achieved top 10 finishes.

After the event, presentations were given to celebrate exceptional performances over the four events. Cam Hopton won four awards:

- *Junior Girls 1st place 🏆
- *Senior Girls 3rd place 🏆
- *Junior Boys 3rd place 🏆
- * Ronnie's Award for overall school 1st place 🏆
- *Big School 1st place 🏆

We are also delighted to tell you that Rupert C, Ieuan M, Sam B, Imogen P and Verity S have qualified to represent Dursley & Wotton District in the Gloucestershire County Championships!

This is an incredible achievement and something we are all very proud of. A huge well done to all the children that took part in these events - you are now part of Cam Hopton's sporting history forever!

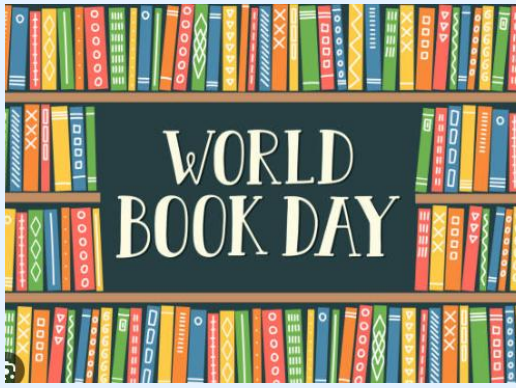
After such a successful few days, there is not much space in the Hopton trophy cabinet! Let's see if we can fill those gaps...



Diary Dates – Term 4 Spring 2026

Monday 23 rd Feb	INSET DAY 4
Tuesday 24 th Feb	Term 4 starts for children Reception/Year 6 Height, Weight & Vision Screening
Thursday 26 th Feb	Year 3 Swimming
Wednesday 4 th March	World Book Day Dress Up Day
Thursday 5 th March	Year 1 Trip to Cotswold Farm Park Year 3 Swimming
W/C 9 th March and 16 th March Mon 9 th Mar, 2.40pm Tues 10 th Mar, 2.40pm Weds 11 th Mar, 2.40pm Thurs 12 th Mar, 2.40pm Fri 13 th Mar, 3pm Mon 16 th Mar, 2.15pm Tues 17 th Mar, 2.40pm	Showcase Weeks Year 5 Showcase in the Hall Year 4 Showcase in the Hall Year 3 Showcase in the Hall Year 2 Showcase in the Hall Year 6 Showcase in the Hall Reception Showcase in the Hall Year 1 Showcase in the Hall
Thursday 12 th March	Year 3 Swimming
Friday 13 th March	Year 4 'In The Net' Performance at Cam Woodfield's 1.15pm Inter-Team Hockey/Tag Rugby with Year 5 & 6 pupils
W/C 16 th March	Big Walk and Wheel Week 1
Tuesday 17 th March	Year 5 'Little Mermaid' at Rednock
Thursday 19 th March	Year 3 Swimming
Friday 20 th March	Year 4 Trip to Longleat Year 1 Cake Sale
W/C 23 rd March	Big Walk and Wheel Week 2
Wednesday 25 th March, 9.30am	Easter Service at St. George's Church
Thursday 26 th March	Year 3 last Swimming
Friday 27 th March	End of Term 4

Spring Term Diary Dates can be accessed [here](#).



World Book Day Thursday 5th March 2026

celebrated at Cam Hopton on Weds 4th March 2026

This year's focus: 2026 is the National Year of Reading. The National Year of Reading is focused on reconnecting reading with the things that already inspire us – from playlists and football matches to films, food and family time. It's reading that fits how we live, not the other way around. Everyone knows reading expands worlds, sharpens minds, and fuels creativity but fewer of us are making time for it.

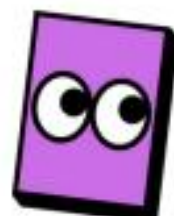
Dress Up Weds 4th March - If children would like, they are invited to dress up as the character or person they like to read about.

Class Book Swap- Children to bring in a maximum of 2 books each on Weds 4th March for a class book swap. These books need to be labelled as book swap books please.

There will be left over books available out the front of school at the end of the day for parents and children to help themselves to.

The PTA have generously donated money for reading this year. This money will be spent on wider reading for example magazine subscriptions (or similar) for each class.





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5 March 2026

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World Book Day is all about reading for fun. It's not about creating rules or telling children they should read because it's good for them. Instead, they get to choose a book they want to read, and take part in celebrations that inspire them to see reading differently – as a fun, entertaining and social thing to do. The brilliant thing is, reading for fun seriously transforms children's lives.

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One entry per person. Winners will be notified shortly after 15 March 2026.

Prize promotion runs from 12 February to 15 March 2026.

Valid from 12 February - 15 March 2026

The World Book Day £1 books are a gift from booksellers, who fully fund the cost of the €1.50/£1 book token redemptions. Check with your local bookseller what plans they have in place for World Book Day. Find your nearest participating bookseller at worldbookday.com/participating-retailers. Please note:

- This token is for single-use only and entitles children (under 18) to ONE FREE WORLD BOOK DAY 2026 BOOK or £1 off a book or audiobook costing £2.99 or more in participating booksellers only, subject to stock availability.
- Token is for children's individual use.
- Offer valid **12 February – 15 March 2026** inclusive.
- The book token barcode can either be scanned from your phone/tablet screen or printed out and shown in-store. Please check with your local bookseller before visiting if they can accept the barcode on mobile devices.
- Tokens are generally not redeemable with online retailers.

Visit our FAQ page to answer all your questions: worldbookday.com/about-us/faq/

To contact the World Book Day team, please email: wbd@education.co.uk

For full terms visit: worldbookday.com/terms-conditions

The reading for fun charity

Registered charity number 1079257 (England and Wales) Registered company number 03783095 (UK).

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, in the entrance to Elm Lodge, blocking junctions or blocking residents' driveways.**

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.



STROUD DISTRICT FOOD BANK SUPPORT

Stroud District Foodbank welcome and support everyone who is referred to them, always acting with respect and without judgment. Volunteers will give a minimum of three days' emergency food and essentials and offer support to resolve some of the difficulties you might be facing. January is always a difficult month for families, with extended time between pay days & extra expenses following Christmas.

If you are in need of a food bank voucher, due to a change of circumstances, an unexpected bill, payment delays or any other reason, please email Mel Holloway, our family support worker, who will be able to help.

fsw@camhopton.gloucs.sch.uk

Many thanks to those of you who have already signed up to using the new Studybugs app. This app provides a more efficient and secure system for reporting your child's absence due to illness.

To report your child's absence, you will need to download the free Studybugs app, or register on the Studybugs website, and use it to tell us whenever your child's ill and unable to attend school. We will also include a link on our school website page for those unable to use an app. [Get the app or register now](https://studybugs.com/about/parents) (<https://studybugs.com/about/parents>)

Top 3 reasons to use Studybugs

1. It's integrated with our systems, so we know right away if your child is unaccounted for.
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HALF TERM FUN!

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WHAT WE GET UP TO...

GET ACTIVE - Football - Dodgeball - Gymnastics - Nerf Wars	GET CREATIVE - Arts & Crafts - Face Painting - Slime Making - Glitter Tattoos	OR CHILL - Board Games - Marble Run - Lego - Top Trumps
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Dursley Town Council presents...

Pancake Race 2026

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Race Winner Trophy, Race Medals and Trophy for Best Fancy Dress in Memory of Eileen Nichols
Children's Races and Race Medals

No Entry Form Required

Just turn up on the day with a frying pan and pancake and join this fun event.

Race terms & conditions apply.

Available from Dursley Town Council office or download from our website
www.dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk/pancake-race

Tuesday 17th February 2026
12 noon Parsonage Street

For more information visit
www.dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk

Children taking part must be +5 years of age and accompanied by a parent/guardian

The Library

The Emperor & the Nightingale
Interactive Story Time & Craft

Dursley Library

Ages 5+

Tuesday 17th February | 11:00 am

Enjoy a classic fairytale in a new way as author Steven Skinley reads and dancer Marie-Louise Flexen portrays the Nightingale, inviting participatory movement.

Following the story, each child will have the opportunity to design, make, and take home their own magical bird mask. Ideal for ages 5-10.

SCAN ME

Tickets: Pay what you can

Booking is **essential** as space is limited. Only participating children require a ticket. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Please visit gloslibraries.uk/events or enquire at the library for more information.

SPECIAL HALF TERM OPENING
WEDNESDAY 18 FEBRUARY 2026
10.00AM TO 4.00PM

Meteor Business Park,
Cheltenham Road East,
Gloucester GL2 9QL.
Tel 01452 260078
www.jetagemuseum.org

ADMISSION FREE
DONATIONS WELCOME

<https://gloslibraries.uk/event/dursley-library-emperor-and-nightingale-interactive->

WHATS ON FEBRUARY HALF TERM...

Holiday Drop-in fun

Kids Stuff will be hosting themed **daily craft tables** and **activities** throughout the Half term holiday:
Tuesday 17th - Saturday 21st February | 10am-12:30pm



Tuesday 17th Pop-Out Sale: 10am-2pm

Half term Pop-out sale. Activity/entertainment - focused sale featuring toys, sports equipment, puzzles and games.



Tuesday 17th Craft Table: 10am-12:30pm

Dandelion thumb print picture



Wednesday 18th Craft Table: 10am-12:30pm

Clay candle holder



Thursday 19th Craft Table: 10am-12:30pm

Seed planting



Friday 20th Craft Table: 10am-12:30pm

Fluffy rock pet



Saturday 21st: 10am-12:30pm

Sticker making



Saturday 21st: 10am-12:30pm

World Book Day - Costume Corner

Get set for World Book Day on 5th March. Come shop and play dress-up at our costume and fancy dress corner.



All Offered: Drop-in Join-in, Pay-As-You-Can

If you enjoy our activities and are able to, please pop a donation in the pot at the till or donate online. This helps us provide more sessions to support local families. Thank you!

No booking required. Activities subject to change. Children must be supervised.

The Long Table The Long Table will provide **pay-as-you-can** jacket potatoes throughout the February half-term holiday. Lunchtimes daily | 12-2pm

All event details here: www.strouddistrictkidsstuff.org.uk

Find us at: Brimscombe Mills, Brimscombe, Stroud, GL5 2QN



February Half Term at the Museum!

It's a busy Half Term packed with hands-on activities, creative workshops and plenty for families to explore. Creative makes, family fun and brilliant ways to dive into history all week long.

Art Explorers: Arts & Crafts Trail

Sat 14 - Sun 22 Feb | £2 per trail

Follow the trail through puppets, pottery and nature-loving makers, try creative challenges and design your own patterns. Finish it and you'll earn a nature-inspired stamper to take home.

Making Folk: Crafting Charms and Folk Motifs

Sat 14 Feb, 1-4 pm | £5

Get creative with natural materials, beads and fabric as you make your own charms or stitch folk-inspired motifs. For all ages, proudly part of Gloucester Folk Trail.

Hands On History: Object Handling with the Birdlip Mirror

Sun 15 & Wed 18 Feb | £1 donation

Take a closer look at our Birdlip Mirror replicas and discover their stories with our Visitor Experience Assistant. This relaxed drop-in is free, with a suggested £1 donation. Great for families aged 3+.

Brick Builders Club: The Great Outdoors

Tue 17 Feb, 10am - 1pm | £3 per child

Get creative with nature-themed LEGO challenges inspired by our Arts & Crafts displays. Build landscapes, dream up wild creatures or invent something totally new. Pick up fun prompts and let your imagination take over. Suitable for ages 5+.

Glorious Glevum Tour

Wed 18 Feb, 2-3pm | From £5

Explore Roman Glevum with Lucius Sita, our resident auxiliary soldier. Discover why the Romans chose Gloucester, what daily life looked like and the hidden treasures inside the museum.

Medieval Mercenary Tour of the Eastgate Chamber

Sat 21 Feb, 2-3pm | From £5

Join Sir Miles, our medieval mercenary, for a fascinating trip into the Eastgate Chamber. Explore its history, uncover old myths and hear the superstitions that have surrounded this hidden space for centuries.

MUSEUM OF GLOUCESTER

Scan me for more info!



PTA UPDATES

PTA 2025 -26 Dates for Diaries

****NEW DATE****

Hound Hunt – Sunday 7th June 2026

Cake Sales

Year 1 – Friday 20th March 2026

Reception - Friday 24th April 2026



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Thank you for all of your donations for Rags 2 Riches – we collected 135kgs which raised £33.75 for Cam Hopton PTA.

TABLE TENNIS



**MAIDENHILL SCHOOL
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TUESDAYS

PEOPLE OF ALL AGES AND ABILITIES ARE WELCOME

5:30PM TO 6:30PM – JUNIORS

6:30PM TO 7:30PM – LADIES

7:30PM TO 9PM – ADULTS/ADVANCED JUNIORS

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**WHAT HAPPENS NEXT ON
STROUD'S CANALS?**

HAVE YOUR SAY

We're thrilled to announce that the next phase of the **Stroudwater Canal Restoration** is underway, thanks to funding from the **Heritage Lottery Fund**.



But what's next?

We want to hear from YOU!

Drop in anytime during our consultation days to share ideas, discover what's planned, and find out how you can get involved.



Dates and locations

- **Monday 2 February 2026**
Whitminster Village Hall (9.30am–5.30pm)
- **Tuesday 3 February 2026**
Stonehouse Library (2pm to 8pm)
- **Saturday 14 February 2026**
Studio 2, Active Lifestyles, Stratford Park (9am–5pm)

Want a deeper discussion?

To book onto one of our hour-long themed workshops, email canals@stroud.gov.uk or scan the QR Code.



Here's what is happening at each consultation:

- **Canal Heritage, Stories & History**
- **Events & Participation**
- **Volunteering & the Future of the Canal**

We'd love to hear from you...

...whether you have a big idea or just want to learn more. Contact us to book onto a workshop or ask any questions.



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