



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



This term we are focusing on the value Generosity

Friday 27th 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:



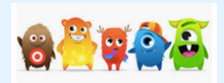
VALUE AWARDS

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

Phoebe W, Dylan M, River B, Layla-Mae C, Henry B, Cecee B, Evie J, Laylah D

SPORTS SUPER HEROES

Shelby-Rose W, Francesca F, Teddy J, Max B, Elphia H



DOJO CERTIFICATE

Rupert B, Rosie W-P, Alfie A, Lily S, Lucy E, Ruth F, Cecee B, Ieuan M

HOUSES

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

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

Well done to all our children!

PARENT AND STAFF GOVERNOR NEWS

We are delighted to welcome Bruce Davies to the Board of Governors following the recent parent governor election. His experience and commitment to our school community will be a valuable addition to the board, and we look forward to working with him in the months and years ahead. Thank you to everyone who took the time to vote. Your participation helps strengthen our school and ensures that our parent community continues to have a strong voice in our governance.

We would also like to say thank you to Mrs Sophie Gabb, who as class teacher at Cam Hopton has volunteered her time as a staff governor. Sophie has years of experience with us and will be a welcome member of the governing board.

Head Lice

We have a few cases of head lice in the school so please read the NHS advice below:

How to get rid of head lice

Treat head lice as soon as you spot them. You can treat head lice without seeing a GP.

Check everyone you live with, or have close contact with, and start treating anyone who has head lice on the same day.

There's no need to keep your child off school if they have head lice. You do not need to wash your laundry on a hot wash.

Wet combing

Lice and nits can be removed by wet combing.

You can buy a special fine-toothed comb (detection comb) online or from pharmacies to remove head lice and nits.

There may be instructions on the pack, but usually you:

- wash hair with ordinary shampoo
- apply lots of conditioner (any conditioner will do)
- comb the whole head of hair, using the detection comb, from the roots to the ends

It usually takes about 10 minutes to comb short hair, and 20 to 30 minutes for long, frizzy or curly hair. When you've finished combing the hair, comb through all the hair again for a second time.

Do wet combing on days 1, 5, 9 and 13 to catch any newly hatched head lice. Check again that everyone's hair is free of lice on day 17.

Medicated lotions and sprays

If wet combing has not worked or is not suitable, you could try a medicated lotion or spray. These kill head lice in all types of hair, and you can buy them from pharmacies, supermarkets or online.

Head lice should die within a day. Some lotions and sprays come with a comb to remove dead lice and eggs.

Some treatments need to be repeated after a week to kill any newly hatched lice.

Check the pack to see if they're OK for you or your child to use, and how to use them.

If lotions or sprays do not work, speak to a pharmacist about other treatments.

Treatments that are not recommended for head lice

Some treatments are not recommended because they're unlikely to work.

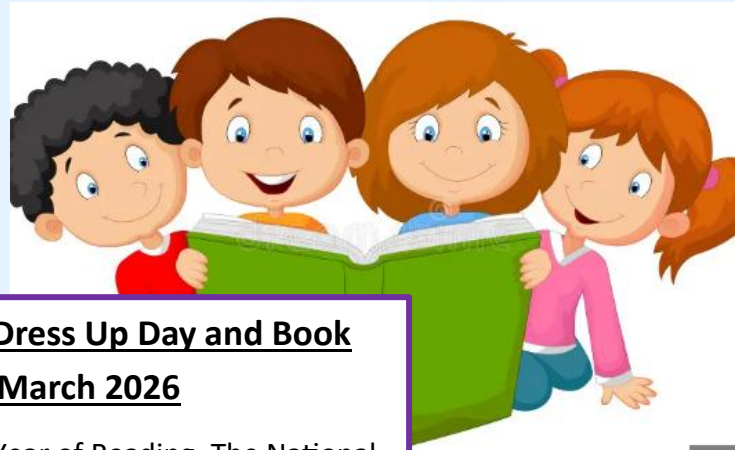
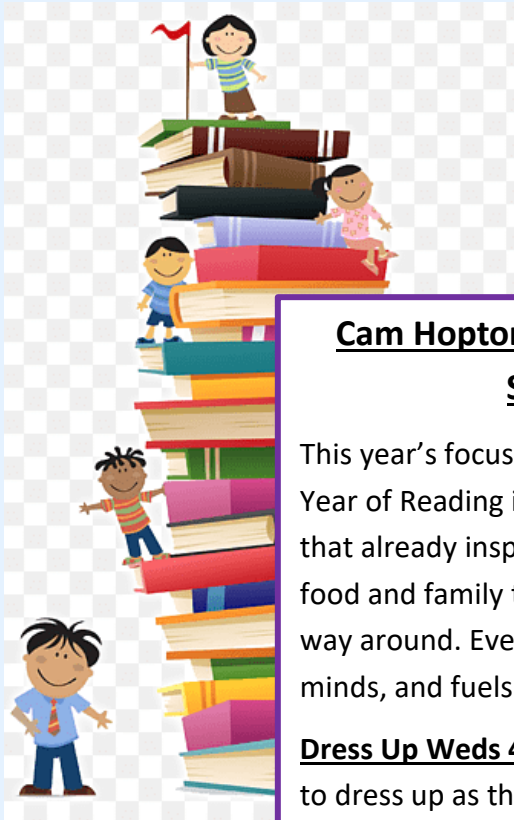
For example:

- products containing permethrin
- head lice "repellents"
- electric combs for head lice
- plant oil treatments, such as tea tree oil, eucalyptus oil and lavender oil herbal remedies

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](#).



Cam Hopton World Book Day Dress Up Day and Book Swap on Weds 4th March 2026

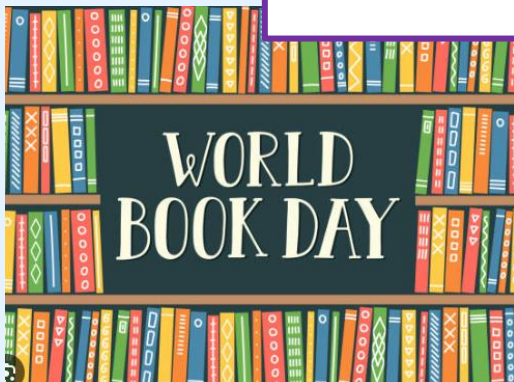
This year's focus: 2026 is the National Year of Reading. The National Year of Reading is focused on reconnecting reading with the things that already inspire us – from playlists and football matches to films, food and family time. It's reading that fits how we live, not the other way around. Everyone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

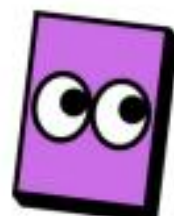
Dress Up Weds 4th March - If children would like, they are invited to dress up as the character or person they like to read about.

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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- 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.
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- Offer valid **12 February – 15 March 2026** inclusive.
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The reading for fun charity

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BIG WALK AND WHEEL

Dear Parents/Carers,

Cam Hopton is taking part in **Big Walk and Wheel**, the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking, wheeling and scooting challenge. The challenge runs from **16 - 27 March 2026**. It's free to take part and we would love everyone to be involved.

What do you need to do?

Encourage your child(ren) to walk, use a wheelchair, scoot or cycle to school on as many days as possible during the event.

Including everyone

We want to make sure that everyone can get involved in Big Walk and Wheel.

We know it may be more difficult for some pupils to take part than others. If you want to discuss more about your child(ren)'s specific needs, please contact Mrs Larkin in the school office and we will make sure to look into how your child(ren) can take part.

Why we are taking part

Big Walk and Wheel is a great way to build physical activity in children's daily routine which is important for their physical health and mental wellbeing.

Active school runs also help to reduce congestion and air pollution outside the school gate. [A 2021 YouGov study](#) showed nearly half of UK children worry about air pollution near their school. And that children thought active travel was the best way to bring down these pollution levels.

Enjoy the challenge!

Becky Harris



*Join in by walking,
wheeling, scooting or
cycling to school
between 16 - 27 March.*

- ✓ Be active and feel more energised
- ✓ Help the environment by replacing a car journey

www.BigWalkAndWheel.org.uk

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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.
2. It's quick and easy to register and use and automatically reminds you to keep us posted.
3. You'll be helping the NHS and other public health organisations [improve children's health](https://studybugs.com/about/schools). (<https://studybugs.com/about/schools>)

Download the Studybugs app
for reporting your child's absence.

A quick and secure way to report absence due to illness and send messages to school.

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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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DATES

12th June

6th October

COMPETITIONS

Wartime Poetry Competition!



Do you see yourself as the next Ivor Gurney or F.W. Harvey?

In **recognition** of World Poetry Day, the Soldiers of Gloucestershire Museum will be running a poetry competition.

We need you to send in your best Wartime Poetry! This can be on any topic related to the Wars, from a Frontline or Home Front perspective. The winning poetry will be displayed in our museum galleries, so please feel free to get creative and decorate your entries too!

The poetry will be judged under 2 categories, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2.

The prize for the winning entries will be:

- 1st place: poetry displayed in the museum during easter holidays with 12 months free admission for 1 Adult and 1 child.
- 2nd place: poetry displayed in the museum during easter holidays with 6 months free admission for 1 Adult and 1 child.
- 3rd place: poetry displayed in the museum during easter holidays with 3 months free admission for 1 Adult and 1 child.

The deadline for all entries is the 18th March 2026.

These can be sent in by post, or emailed to:

jade.smith@sogm.co.uk

Good Luck!



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