



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



This term we are focusing on the value Perseverance

Friday 24th April 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:

Chester G, Autumn M-H, Elise N, Sorrelle F, Charlie A, Toby J, Finley W



SPORTS SUPER HEROES

Oscar C, Florrie S, Geoffrey M, Jasmine C, Reuben W, Esme-Rose N, Lola H

DOJO CERTIFICATE

Poppy H, Rosie W-P, Lilly-Rose J, Amelie F, Wilf W, Sam B, William B



HOUSES

The house with the most DOJO POINTS this week is: Jenner

The classes with the highest number of DOJO POINTS this week are: Reception and Year 5 who have earned extra play.

Well done to all our children!

BABY NEWS

Congratulations to Mr Jackson on the safe arrival of his baby boy. Jonah Westley was born on the 28th March weighing 9lbs and 11ozs. Our best wishes go to them all.



SPORTS DAY



SPORTS DAY 2026

Sports Day is being held on Tuesday 19th May. Parents/family members are invited to attend to watch their children.

KS2 will be doing sports in the morning & KS1 will be in the afternoon.

There will then be the opportunity for parents/family members to have a picnic lunch with children from both KS1 & KS2 on the school field over lunchtime.

9.30am – 11.30am - KS2

11:45am – 12.45pm All children lunch

1:00pm – KS1



World Art Day 2026

World Art Day is a celebration of artists from around the world, which takes place on 15th April each year. This date was chosen because it marks the birthday of one of the most famous artists in history, Leonardo da Vinci. Art can improve children's motor skills, help them to get in touch with who they are and how you see things. Art can be a form of communication, is a great self-care tool and can be a calming activity. The theme for this year's World Art Day 2026 was "A Garden of Expression". Each class explored an artist inspired by nature. We hope you enjoy the children's creations.

Reception Artwork
inspired by the artist Rahel Mahon.



Year 1 Artwork
inspired by the artist Cassandra Tondro.



Year 2 Artwork
inspired by the artist Paige St. Pierre.



Year 3 Artwork
inspired by the artist
Henri Matisse



Year 4 Artwork
inspired by the artist
Charles Mackintosh



Year 5 Artwork
inspired by the artist
Gustav Klint



Year 6 Artwork
inspired by the artist
Georgia O'Keeffe



If you would like to view some of the children's wonderful creations, they are proudly displayed in the corridor at the entrance to the school.

Mrs. Tarren

ATTENDANCE

Attendance – Requests for Holidays during term time

Legalities of School Attendance. In England, parents are legally responsible for ensuring their child receives full-time education, with compulsory attendance from the term after their 5th birthday until the last Friday in June of Year 11. Children must attend regularly—every session, every day—unless granted permission or too ill.

In line with the National Attendance Regulations, which informs the school's Attendance Policy, term time holidays **cannot** be authorised. Absences related to family holidays will be recorded as unauthorised, with 10 sessions (5 days) of unauthorised absence triggering a potential £80–£160 Penalty Notice.

Important Information:

- The Penalty Notice is £160 per parent, per child, reduced to £80 if paid within 21 days (for the first penalty notice issued within a rolling three-year period).
- A second penalty notice issued within a rolling three-year period is payable at £160 for the full duration of the payment period.
- If the fine is not paid within 28 days, the matter may be escalated to the Magistrates' Court under Section 444 of the Education Act 1996, which could result in a criminal conviction and a fine of up to £1,000.
- There is no option for a third penalty notice to be issued within a rolling three-year period; a third offence will proceed immediately to the Magistrates' Court under Section 444 of the Education Act 1996, which could result in a criminal conviction and a fine of up to £2,500.

We understand that family time is important, but we must also stress the importance of regular school attendance and the legal responsibilities placed on parents to ensure their child attends school regularly

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH

MESSY CHURCH

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

26th April

24th May

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



PARENT PAY REMINDER

Please remember to keep an eye on your Parent Pay account balances. Please pay any outstanding school lunch debts as soon as possible. If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact the school office. Thank you

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

DIARY DATES

Term 5 SUMMER (2026)

W/C 27 th April	Year 5 Bikeability Sessions
Monday 27 th April	Year 4/5 PE session at Cam Cricket Club
Wednesday 29 th April	Year 3/6 PE session at Cam Cricket Club
Thursday 30 th April	Year 2 Swimming
Mon 4th May	Early May Bank Holiday
Wednesday 6 th May	Year 3/6 PE session at Cam Cricket Club
Thursday 7 th May	Year 2 Swimming
Friday 8 th May	Year 4 Viking Day
W/C 11 th May	Year 6 SATs Week
Monday 11 th May	Year 4/5 PE session at Cam Cricket Club
Wednesday 13 th May	Year 3/6 PE session at Cam Cricket Club
Thursday 14 th May	Year 2 Swimming
Friday 16 th May	Year 6 Mexican Day
Monday 18 th May	DSP Photography – Leavers and Class photos
	Year 4/5 PE session at Cam Cricket Club
Tuesday 19 th May	Sports Day (more info to follow)
Wednesday 20 th May	Year 3/6 PE session at Cam Cricket Club
Thursday 21 st May	Year 2 Swimming – last session
Friday 22nd May	END OF TERM 5

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

POLITE NOTICE

We kindly ask that parents and carers refrain from smoking or vaping outside the school grounds and along the green. There has been an increasing number of people smoking or vaping at the school gates and on the footpaths leading to school.

As a community, we want to model and encourage healthy behaviours for our children. Keeping these areas smoke-free helps us promote a positive, health-focused environment for everyone.

Thank you for your support and cooperation.



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, on any double yellow lines, 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.



We wanted to let you know about the upcoming Bikeability Holiday Course taking place during the May half term. This is a great opportunity for pupils who may have missed Bikeability training in school to still take part and learn an important life skill through cycling.

Cycling helps children build confidence, independence, and physical activity into their daily lives. It also plays an important role in road safety, helping pupils develop the skills and awareness they need to ride safely, understand the road environment, and make safer journeys.

We would be very grateful if you could help promote this opportunity by including it in your school newsletter and sharing it across your school network with parents, carers, and colleagues.

Further information and booking details can be found here:

<https://www.thinktravel.info/upcoming-events/bikeability-holiday-courses>

We also wanted to highlight that we will be running two further holiday course sessions, during the summer holidays and October half term, so there will be more opportunities for pupils to take part later in the year as well.

Thinktravel, Gloucestershire County Council, Integrated Transport Unit, Shire Hall, Westgate Street, Gloucester, GL1 2TH

website: www.thinktravel.info

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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>)



PTA UPDATES



PTA 2025 -26 Dates for Diaries

****NEW DATE****

Hound Hunt – Sunday 7th June 2026



RAGS 2 RICHES

DATES

12th June

6th October

OPEN DAYS

Key Stage 2 girls...
Join us for Stroud High School
Open Morning
9.15-11.15am Thursday 30 April
or Friday 26 June 2026
Register online at
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SATURDAY 16TH MAY 2026
9am - 1pm

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SCHOOLS
GUIDE**

For more information and to register please visit:
www.thekingsschool.co.uk



ROCK Values
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Open Evening
Thursday 4 June 2026
5:30pm - 7:30pm

For
Prospective
Students

Year 7
Admission
September
2027



Unlock Your Potential

Talks from the Principal at 6pm & 6:30pm in the main hall.



Ribston Hall High School
Independent Day School

Year 4 Open Morning
Tuesday 5th May 2026, 9:15am to 10am

Our Open Morning is designed for Year 4 families who would like a general introduction to grammar schools, and to find out what it's like to attend Ribston Hall High School.

The Open Morning will begin with a talk from our Headteacher who will share information about academic life here at Ribston, followed by a talk from our Deputy Head who will explore the uniqueness of educating girls and our school's approach. Families will also be able to have a short student-guided tour.

Early booking is advised as our events are often over-subscribed.
Please book your place on our website:
www.ribstonhall.gloucs.sch.uk/join-us

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Who: Tailored for Gloucestershire parents and carers of children ages 11-18.

When: A range of topics delivered across the year.

Where: Online Zoom Webinar

Walk. Eat & Drink. Live Music.
Sat 13 June 2026
10am - 4pm

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Community Hospice

Walk 4 Longfield & Summer Fête



Walk 1k Junior, 5k, or 10k across the beautiful Minchinhampton and Rodborough Commons while raising vital funds for Longfield.

Walk in memory or in support of loved ones with life-limiting conditions.

Not a walker? Join us at the Summer Fête for food, drinks, artisan stalls, games, and live music as the walkers set off and return.




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Run the Rainbow

LONGFIELD
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**Saturday 4 July 2026
Frampton Court
Frampton on Severn
11am-3pm**

Run, walk, or even skip your way through our colour-filled 5K challenge — and help local people live well, every step of the way.

Expect powder paint, foam, music, and inflatables all while supporting Longfield Community Hospice's care for those living with life-limiting illness and their families.

Celebrate life in full colour!

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Adult £15
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Frampton on Sever Sailing Club Junior and Families Info 2026

Short version:

Junior Sailing Opportunities (Ages 7–17)

Frampton on Sever Sailing Club is offering affordable junior sailing training sessions this spring, leading into their popular Junior Week in the summer holidays.

No experience needed – boats and safety gear provided. Just bring a wetsuit and the ability to swim!

Spaces are limited and training courses start soon.

Find out more about how to become a member and book here:
<https://www.fossc.org.uk/sailing/frampton-juniors>

Longer Version:

Junior Sailing – Learn New Skills While Having Fun On The Water (Ages 7–17)

Frampton on Sever Sailing Club is running a series of friendly, affordable sailing courses for young people this spring, perfect for beginners and those looking to build confidence on the water.

No boat or buoyancy aid needed, we'll provide those, just a wetsuit and the ability to swim! Our RYA qualified instructors teach in small groups, so you know you'll get the attention you need.

These sessions lead into the club's popular Junior Week during the summer holidays – a fun 5 days of sailing and outdoor activities for 10-17 year olds, keeping them off their devices and active, while building skills and confidence, safely.

If you've been seeking something for your teenager/family to do – sailing is a brilliant option. It's unusual in that 7 year olds, 37 year olds, and 77 year olds can all compete on an equal footing!

Our junior and family programme runs all year round, blending structured training, fun social sailing, friendly racing, and big annual events that bring the whole club together. We're a close-knit, volunteer-run club, and families are always welcome – to sail, to support, or simply to enjoy the atmosphere.

Family annual membership (2 adults and all dependent children up to age 18) is just £12 more than single adult membership – or juniors can join by themselves for £51. Beginner courses for junior members are £90/£80 (for 5 full day/7 half day sessions). Training begins soon, and places are limited, so early booking is recommended.

Find out more:
<https://www.fossc.org.uk/sailing/frampton-juniors>

Beezee FAMILIES



We're here to help your family
make healthy habits fun

Join our **FREE**, 8-week healthy lifestyle programme to help your family build habits around food and physical activity. Our in-person group sessions start on:

Date: Wednesdays - 6th May **Time:** 4:30 - 6pm

Venue: St Laurence: Stroud Centre for Peace and the Arts, GL5 1JL

Or you can join us online!



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Sign up for your
FREE PLACE today

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Our programmes are for children aged 7-12 years old, see our website for more information.

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Beezee YOUTH



Unlock the power
to be more you

Join Beezee Youth today – a **FREE** health and wellbeing programme designed with the help of young people, for young people. Our 8-week in-person programme starts on:

Date: Mondays from 11th May '26 **Time:** 17.30 - 19.00

Venue: Stroud Valley Scout Group & Community Centre, GL5 1DU

Or you can join us online!



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