



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



This term we are focusing on the value Creativity

Friday 3rd July 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:

Dilan P, Charlotte H, Oakley D, Eva A, Euan T, Josh T, Luna P, Francesca F, Teddy J, Nirvana P, Penny S, George E, Connie N

SPORTS SUPER HEROES

Sienna J, Charlotte C, Arabella N, Doug M, Rafferty W, Sam B, Chester G, Alma B, Indy M, Lena V, Tamzin A, Isla H, Enes K

DOJO CERTIFICATE



Klara K, Rosie W-P, Thea P, Jasmine C, Ruth F, Huey F, Noah W, Lilly Rose J, Ella J, Jaxson Je, Lucy E
Evie J

HOUSES

The Sports Day Winners were: Tyndale

Overall House Winners for the Year: Lister

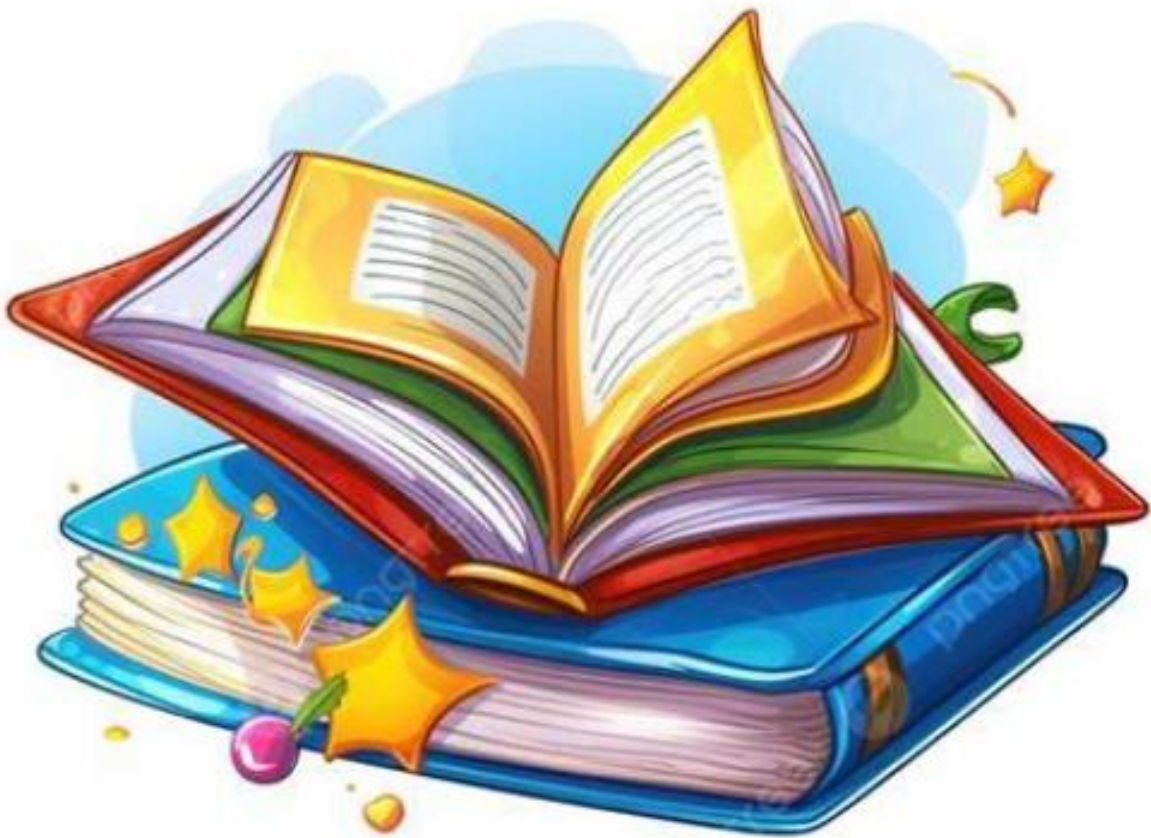
Well done to all our children!

STUDENT COUNCIL



We have been donated 15 litter pickers and a range of books which are themed around litter, recycling and the environment. This is due to Councillor Gill Thomas' Litter pickers for little pickers fundraising campaign. The student council will be introducing these in Collective worship, all classes will be given the opportunity to use them. Some classes will also be taking part in an online session with an author as well as other initiatives in the new school year.

SCHOOL LIBRARY



Calling any budding librarians! I am looking for some voluntary help in the school library please from Sept 26. A few hours a week; every other week; once a month would be very much appreciated. It could involve having a tidy up of the books; completing book returns; logging books out or supporting children to choose books to read for pleasure. Please email the school office if you think you could help. Thank you.

NATURE QUIZ



On Monday afternoon, our nature quiz team took part in their semi-final match at Robinswood Hill Nature Reserve in Gloucester.

Taking on teams from Highnam and Clearwater, the Cam Hopton team did brilliantly and after the fifth and final round, Cam Hopton had drawn for first place with Highnam. The teams then took place in a tie-breaker but still couldn't be separated. They were then asked to name as many British bat varieties as they could and although Hopton were able to name four, Highnam named more and were declared the winners.

We are incredibly proud of the team and hope that they continue to learn more about British wildlife in the future. Thank you to Mrs Sweet for helping the children to prepare for the quiz and for transporting them to the venues.

Nature quiz club will be open to Year 5 and 6 next year so get out into the countryside and get practicing! 🐱 🐸 🐙

ROUNDERS



Yesterday afternoon, eleven of our Year 6 children took part in a rounders competition at Woodfields School.

The team drew their first game then narrowly lost their next two matches to finish 3rd overall. Well done everyone 🥎

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:

27th September

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 UPDATES



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RAGS 2 RICHES

FUTURE DATES

6th October

4th February 2027

DIARY DATES

Term 6 SUMMER (2026)

Monday 6 th July	Year 3 Trip to The Bristol Zoo Project
Tuesday 7 th July	Year 6 Performance Dress Rehearsal to whole school
Wednesday 8 th July	iRock Concert – parents invited
Thursday 9 th July	Year 1 Swimming – last session
Friday 10 th July	Reports out
Monday 13 th July	13.30pm: Year 6 Performance to parents
Tuesday 14 th July	13.30pm: Year 6 Performance to parents
	6pm: Year 6 Performance to parents
Wednesday 15 th July	1.30pm: Year 6 Leavers' Service at St George's Church
Thursday 16 th July	KS2 CamFest afternoon
Friday 17 th July	KS1 Water Party and Disco
Friday 17th July	1.30pm: END OF TERM 6

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

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

New UK online safety measures - What's covered?



Social media

Restrictions on access to major social media platforms for under-16s. Platforms named by the Government which may be included are TikTok, Instagram, Snapchat, Facebook, X and YouTube.

✓ YouTube Kids is not currently included in the ban.



Communicating with strangers

Features that allow under-16s to communicate with strangers would be restricted across relevant online services, including gaming platforms.



Livestreaming

Under-16s would not be able to create or host livestreams.



AI chatbots

Romantic or sexual AI chatbots will be banned for under-18s. All AI tools must also switch off similar features for anyone under 18.



16-17-year-olds

Livestreaming and stranger-contact protections would be switched on by default. Additional protections are under consideration.



Platform design

The Government is considering measures such as overnight curfews, breaks in infinite scrolling and other design changes to support children's wellbeing online.



Age verification

Simply asking children to enter their date of birth will no longer be enough. Platforms will need to introduce robust checks, the exact methods are still being decided.



PREPARING FOR THE BAN

The Ban Is Coming. The Conversation Starts Now.

Helping parents prepare their children for one of the biggest changes to young people's digital lives.

Supporting Parents Through the Social Media Ban

With the UK Government announcing plans to introduce a social media ban for children and young people, many parents are feeling unsure about what happens next. This workshop helps parents understand the proposed ban and gives them practical strategies to support their children before, during and after implementation.

WHAT PARENTS WILL LEARN

- Understanding the Ban
- Understanding how our young people may feel about the ban
- Talking to our young people about the ban
- Preparing as a Family
- Looking Beyond the Ban

WORKSHOP DETAILS

- Available to Book: July 2026, Autumn Term 2026
- Online Delivery
- Face-to-Face Across the West Midlands
- Suitable for: Primary Schools, Secondary Schools, Parent Forums, Multi-Academy Trusts

DELIVERED BY

Susie Dunigan
Founder of The Enlightened Parent

Supporting schools and parents to navigate safeguarding, wellbeing and the digital world with confidence.

WHY SCHOOLS BOOK

- ✓ Practical and evidence-informed
- ✓ Parent friendly and non-judgemental
- ✓ Delivered by an experienced safeguarding professional
- ✓ Encourages meaningful conversations at home
- ✓ Supports schools to engage parents in a changing digital landscape

BOOK A WORKSHOP

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The Enlightened Parent

We have had a few cases of head lice in the school this week – please see the poster below for some helpful advice:

Check for Nits

Small check, big difference!



HOW TO CHECK:

- 1 Use a bright light. 
- 2 Comb through dry hair with a fine-tooth nit comb. 
- 3 Check closely behind the ears and at the back of the neck. 
- 4 Wipe the comb on a tissue and look for nits (tiny eggs attached to hair). 

REPEAT EVERY FEW DAYS TO CATCH ANY NEW NITS

DAY 1 CHECK ✓ → DAY 4 CHECK ✓ → DAY 7 CHECK ✓ → DAY 10 CHECK ✓

KEEP CHECKING, KEEP THEM NIT-FREE!

Thank you for helping keep everyone happy, healthy and lice-free! ♥

TOGETHER WE CAN STOP HEAD LICE

MUSIC



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iRock

As our iRocker school leavers move on to their next adventure, new places are opening for children to start band lessons from September.

About iRock Lessons

- 30-minute band-based music lessons taught by a professional Band Coach
- Lessons take place during school hours
- Easy subscription: cancel at any time, with a first lesson money-back guarantee.
- Open to children aged 4 to 11, regardless of ability or experience
- Children learn popular music while building confidence, teamwork and listening skills
- Pupils can work towards an exam-free RSL Awards music qualification as part of their iRock journey.

Studybugs +

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>)

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>)



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.

QR code and download links for Google Play and the App Store.

Studybugs +

COMMUNITY

Calling all local schools and young creatives!

Your design could be part of the trail!

Help design & name an **OTTER!**

for the Summer 2026

Cam Otter Trail

Design an otter that shows your creativity!

Name your otter - think funny, clever, bold or beautiful

10 otters waiting for a name!

Pick up a template and get designing!

Open to all local schools and children

Winning design will be handpainted on one of our otters in the trail!

Deadline for entries: Friday 3rd July
Entries to be handed into schools or Cam Parish Council offices

DURSLEY FESTIVAL!

for 3-99 years!

Help us make a giant collage celebrating Dursley! Lots of photos to print from, inks & graphite to explore!

Plus decorate a beautiful notebook to take home!

Free drop-in Workshop

THIS Saturday 10-2PM

Sat 4th July 10-2pm 35E Parsonage St next door to Gravity!

Quarry CHAPEL

25

You're invited to...

GL11'S BIRTHDAY PARTY FAMILY FUN DAY

Music Food Tractor

Storytelling Bouncy castle

Tombola Raffle Craft

Saturday 11 July 2026
11am - 2pm
GL11 Community Hub
Fairmead, Cam, GL11 5JS
Free entry - please bring cash for the activities!

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS

SATURDAY 11TH JULY

THE GREAT BIG

CLIMATE CIRCUS

1PM - 6PM

BY YOUNG PEOPLE - FOR YOUNG PEOPLE & FAMILIES

FEATURING - FILM ARTWORK PROJECTIONS WITH DANCE, RAP, SPOKEN WORD & YOUTH MUSIC & CIRCUS PERFORMANCES

A FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE
ARTS & CRAFTS, RINKY DINK SOUNDSYSTEM
CIRCUS WORKSHOP, BIKE WORKSHOP, CLOTHES SWAP
GIANT BUBBLES, PEDAL POWERED MUSIC & ART
FOREST GREEN ROVERS, FOOD, STALLS
GAMES & MORE

COMMUNITY FUND

DURSLEY WAR MEMORIAL RECREATION GROUND

CLIMATE CIRCUS

SUMMER ACTIVITIES



NO LIFEGUARD NO SWIM

Lakes and canals are cold, deep and unpredictable, with hidden dangers below. Without a lifeguard, fun can turn fatal.

ALWAYS FOLLOW THE RLSS UK WATER SAFETY CODE, WHENEVER YOU ARE IN OR AROUND WATER

STOP & THINK!

Take time to assess your surroundings. Look for the dangers and always research local signs and advice.

STAY TOGETHER

When around water always go with friends or family. Swim at a lifeguard venue.

IN AN EMERGENCY...

CALL 999

Ask for the Fire and Rescue Service when onland and the Coastguard if at the coast. **Don't enter the water to rescue.**

FLOAT

Fall in or become tired - stay calm, float on your back and call for help. Throw something that floats to somebody that has fallen in.



Active Lifestyles
Stroud District

Dyslexia-friendly Study Skills

Supporting students to build confidence, independence & success





Hi, I'm Alexa

I'm a specialist dyslexia & literacy teacher with 3 decades of experience in state education:

- 14 years creating study skills courses, teaching literacy & assessing for exam access arrangements
- postgraduate research into multisensory strategies to support memory
- taught English from 11-18 including including A level English literature
- tutoring online age 8 to 18

My approach:

- confidence is key for student wellbeing and success
- explicitly taught study skills support students to develop their potential and independence
- dyslexia-friendly study skills benefit all learners but are particularly important for students with dyslexia and dyslexic type difficulties

Who is the Dyslexia-friendly Study Skills Parent Network for?

It's for all interested parents. Does my child need a diagnosis of dyslexia for me to join? No. Dyslexia-friendly study skills help all students. If any of these challenges sounds familiar, the network is for you.

Is your child's learning more effortful than their peers?

Does it seem more time consuming?
Do they lack confidence or find it demotivating?

Many students with dyslexia or dyslexic type difficulties face similar challenges in their education. The purpose of the network is to share dyslexia-friendly study skills with parents to support their learning, develop confidence and foster success.

Please join my free parent network for support:

Free Parent Network

- monthly newsletter with practical tips
- free monthly online parent seminars starting **30th June 2026: Transition tips to smooth the move to secondary**
- **future 2026 seminars:** encouraging reading, organisation, multisensory strategies to support memory, examination access arrangements myth busting & technology tips

Online small group tuition

Step up to Secondary course available **mid-July**

- develop study skills, organisation & confidence -
- avoid the summer learning slump -
- be prepared for secondary school in September

Study Skills for Success available autumn 2026.

- secure study skills for success in secondary **before** exam courses begin
- join the network to find out more

Ready to find out more?
Visit alexaforbeseeducation.com
for my testimonials, qualifications, programmes & to join the parent network

Website alexaforbeseeducation.com	Free Newsletter Sign up at the website	Free Online Parent Seminars Starting 30th June 2026
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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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...and the best part, children always get to choose!

**WHY PARENTS CHOOSE
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- ★ Ofsted-registered
- ★ Award-winning childcare
- ★ Accepts childcare vouchers &
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- ★ Designed for ages 4-14

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SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAMME AT BRIMSCOMBE MILL

DAILY			
DAY	DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY
Daily	Daily	All day	Weekly scavenger hunt Drop in
Tues	Weekly	10:30 - 12:00	Long Table Kids Kitchen cookery drop in Drop in
Daily	Daily	10:00 - 12:00	Kids Stuff daily craft table Drop in
JULY EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES			
DAY	DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY
Tues	21	10:30 - 12:00	Long Table Kids Kitchen cookery drop in Drop in
Wed	22	13:00 & 14:15	Learn to tie dye Craftsmoon workshop Book online
Fri	24	14:00 - 16:00	Severn Rivers Trust family activity afternoon Drop in
Tues	28	10:30 - 12:00	Long Table Kids Kitchen cookery drop in Drop in
Wed	29	13:00 & 15:00	Uno cut cards Craftsmoon workshop Book online
Fri	31	10:00 - 12:00	So Hootful - Meet owls Drop in
AUGUST EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES			
DAY	DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY
Tues	4	10:30 - 12:00	Long Table Kids Kitchen cookery drop in Drop in
Tues	4	13:00 & 15:00	Design & make a trinket dish Craftsmoon workshop Book online
Wed	5	11:00 - 12:00	Hannah Shaw Silly Animal Stories Show Book online
Thur	6	13:30 - 15:00	Collage making Craftsmoon workshop Book online
Thur	6	18:00 - 20:00	Teen open mic night Book online
Tues	11	10:30 - 12:00	Long Table Kids Kitchen cookery drop in Drop in
Wed	12	10:00 - 12:00	School Of Larkia circus skills workshop Book online
Thur	13	17:00 - 19:00	Family bingo night Drop in
Tues	18	10:30 - 12:00	Long Table Kids Kitchen cookery drop in Drop in
Tues	18	13:00 & 14:15	Martha Lightfoot illustration workshop Book online
Wed	19	10:00 - 12:30	Gamelan music & Wayang Kulit puppet workshop Book online
Thur	20	17:00 - 19:00	Family quiz night Drop in
Tues	25	10:30 - 12:00	Long Table Kids Kitchen cookery drop in Drop in
Tues	25	11:00 - 12:00	Silly Science family show Book online
Wed	26	13:00 & 14:15	Cynotype prints Craftsmoon workshop Book online
Thur	27	17:00 - 19:00	Back to school disco Drop in



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Fun, active, and
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Big Summer Picnics & Play in the Park

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Date: 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th August, 10.00am - 4.00pm

Venue: Stratford Park and Active Lifestyles Stroud
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Bring your friends, family and a picnic and enjoy a fantastic range of activities for all ages! Activities take place throughout the day, with most offered free of charge and some available at a very low cost. Each day features a slightly varied programme.

- ★ Arts and crafts ★ Multi-sports ★ Yoga
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- ★ Badminton and Table Tennis ★ Explorer Trails
- ★ World Jungle ★ Fun Zones
- ★ Museum toy collection and exhibition
- ★ Garden games ...and much more

Don't Forget! Bring your own picnic and enjoy a full day out! Due to limited parking, we encourage walking, cycling or car sharing.



Find out more, email: leisure@stroud.gov.uk
or telephone 01453 766771



PARENT AND CARER ALLIANCE PRESENTS

SEND SUMMER CELEBRATION

20TH
AUG

DURSLEY RECREATION GROUND
10AM - 4PM

A fun-filled family event, creating connections,
support, inclusion, and opportunities for every family.

Police vehicles and activities, displays, sports
activities, sensory play, grant charities, stalls and
stands, help and support available
A huge free event not to be missed

We are hosting a SEND Summer Celebration as part of the Holiday
Activity and Food (HAF) Programme this summer. Please note: if you are
not booked on via the Family Hub website, lunch will not be available.

For more information, visit

WWW.PARENTANDCARERALLIANCE.ORG.UK



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SUMMER HOLIDAY
INTENSIVE WEEKS

£55

MONDAY 27TH – FRIDAY 31ST JULY
MONDAY 3RD – FRIDAY 7TH AUGUST

30 MINUTE LESSONS EVERY MORNING
– 9:30am – 12:30pm

AGES 3–10 YEARS
ALL ABILITIES WELCOME

AT THE SHRUBBERIES, STONEHOUSE

The Library Challenge

11 July – 12 September 2026

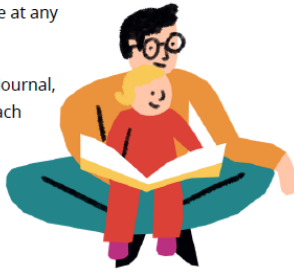
Tales Through Time

Calling all readers, adventurers and story explorers!

Join the Library Challenge this summer to travel through time, get reading, and earn rewards.

How to Take Part

- Children aged 3+ can sign up for free at any Gloucestershire Library.
- Explore the tasks in your Challenge Journal, collecting stamps and rewards for each completed task.
- Come along to exciting events throughout the summer.



SCAN ME 

Find out more - scan QR code
or visit gloslibraries.uk/welcome-library-challenge

Gloucestershire County Council
Gloucestershire Arts Council
GO ALL IN. National Year of Reading 2026



Kids Stuff Stroud

SUMMER HOLIDAY CRAFT TABLES

Daily Monday - Saturday
Monday 20th July - Saturday 29th August

10am - 12pm

Craft · Create · Play
A different craft each day, hosted by Kids Stuff

Offered: Drop-in, join-in, Pay-as-you-can!
All ages welcome

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Activities subject to change. Children must be accompanied by an adult

Find us: Kids Stuff Stroud, Brimscombe Mills, Brimscombe, Stroud, GL5 2QN
www.strouddistrictkidsstuff.org.uk @Stroudkidsstuff Stroud District Kids' Stuff

Kids Stuff Craft Tables are part of the Summer Holiday Programme at BRIMSCOMBE MILL. check out the full programme at www.brimscombe-mill.org.uk/school-holidays

SPORT



CAM CRICKET CLUB

Cam Cricket Club are proud to have a thriving youth section, with a junior membership of around 100 boys and girls. Cam prides itself on the quality of its cricket coaching in a safe family friendly environment.



SCAN ME



Weekly training/coaching sessions are held during the spring and summer months by qualified coaches, for boys and girls, starting on the 16th April.

Year 3 and 4 - Under 9's - Fridays 6-7pm
Year 5 and 6- Under 11's - Thursday 6-7.30pm
Year 7 and 8- Under 13's - Thursdays 6-7.30pm
Year 9 and 10 - Under 15's - Thursdays 6-7.30pm

Friendly festivals and Competitive fixtures are played in various formats throughout the season.

If you would like to join the Club, please get in touch with us. We will be happy to welcome you down at the club.

FREE FIRST SESSION FOR NEW MEMBERS



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TABLE TENNIS



MAIDENHILL SCHOOL SPORTS CENTRE

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

TO BOOK A PLACE OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, EMAIL:
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