



Newsletter 2 Autumn 1 - End of term review

Well, it is amazing how quickly the first half term has gone!

The last day of school this term is Tuesday 18th October and the children will return on Monday 31st October. Here is a summary of some of the fantastic and exciting things the children have been up to so far this year...

WELCOME RECEPTION!

Welcome to all the new Reception children. The children have settled really well and it was lovely to see so many parents attend the stay and play session last Friday too. Last week we also welcomed Mr Rouse, who is covering Mrs Savage's maternity leave, the two teachers are currently working alongside each other to help aid a smooth transition for the children.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Well done to all of years 1 and 2 for the wonderful Harvest festival. There was a really good turnout of parents who enjoyed the children's beautiful singing and poetry readings. Thank you to all those who donated food which has been given to Gloucester Food Bank to help those in need.

YEAR 3 TRIP TO LONDON

By Lola Allen and Charles McCreevey-Heywood.

On 3rd October 2016, 3DH and 3JD went to the Natural History Museum in London. We left school at 6:55am and arrived at the museum at 10:15am. The journey was long and some of us felt a bit sick. When we got there we had a snack and dropped our bags off. We went to the dinosaur exhibit first and we saw a Diplodocus and an Iguanodon. We saw the skull of a Triceratops and some dinosaur eggs.

After, we took part in an investigation with a scientist from the museum. We had to sort fossils and rocks and it was fun. We pretended to be palaeontologists and cleaned a fossil in groups using paintbrushes. Once we had cleaned them we had to work out which type of dinosaur we had.

Our favourite part of the trip was seeing a real life T-Rex because it has a loud roar! We loved seeing the large Ichthyosaur fossil that Mary Anning discovered a long time ago.



YEAR 4 ANCIENT GREEK DAY

By Sam Collingbourne and George Thomas.

On 7th October, we visited Robinswood School to learn more about the Ancient Greeks. A lady, called Lyra, told us exciting stories and made us laugh. She set activities for us; a quiz, a board game and a puzzle. At the end of the day, she showed us weapons and armour. Then we were divided into Athenians and Spartans to argue who was better and she taught us stances and battle-cries! It was a great day!

NOTICES

ENTRANCE GATE: We are aware of the congestion at the main pupil entrance gate. Our intentions are to have both double gates open and on the timed mag-lock system to alleviate this. We are hoping that the works for this can be carried out soon and whilst I can't currently give an exact date, I wanted to highlight that this has been acknowledged and actions have been planned to improve the system.

HELP! FOOTBALL BOOTS & SHIN PADS NEEDED: If anyone has any spare but useable shin pads or football boots (children's sizes) that you're willing to donate, they would be much appreciated. Thank you – Miss Dando.

CLOTHING REMINDER: A polite reminder to please label clothes with your child's name. It makes it much easier to return wayward clothing to its rightful owner. Also, the children go outside in all weathers and consequently, a coat appropriate footwear is essential for the Autumn and Winter months.



Congratulations to the children who earned themselves an end of term BEST certificate!

1KO	Krystian Hayward Abigail Macfarlane-Smith Kaydon King Erin Simmons	3JD	Connor Godsell Lucas Prewer Isla Sage-Jones Daryl Staddon
1OS	Lily Byford Faith Smart Josh Powell Leo Wicks	3DH	Charles McCreevey-Hayward Izabela Racek Muhammad Salman Chloe Webb
2KW	Felicity Tong Rebecca Mitchell-Rogerson Dexter Vaughan Oliver Williams	4KW	Kelly Anderton Jaydan Davies Kosma Glowacki Leilani Ryder
2KWH	Curtis Cox Georgia Rawlinson-Horler Julia Rokosz Rosie Webb	5RP	Mohammed Bokhari Elliot Fitzgerald Brittany Smith Lois Tookey
1/2RH	Lena Mieloch Kacper Przybylski Sophia Stein Thomas Ford	6AT	Hayden Hull Megan Prout Jade Mitton Olivia Otterwell
<p>Congratulations to Spitfire the winning house of the BEST points competition. The voted for treat this term was 20 minutes computer and Ipad time.</p>			

Sports Round-up

The sport season kicked off early in September with a 7-a-side football tournament at Meadowside. Following just one training session our team finished a creditable 3rd in the group, narrowly missing out on a place in the next round. Since then, the **Boys Football Team** have enjoyed many successes:

Gloucester Small School's Tournament winners (played 8, won 8). Waterwells will now represent Gloucester city schools at the county round of the event.

In the league: Waterwells 7-0 Castle Hill Tuffley 2-6 Waterwells

TEAM: Megan Prout, Keon Sanniola, Isimhenmhen Inyinbor, Cordel Mills, Jorell Sanniola, Malek Hotmani, Leilani Ryder, Leon Nwosu, Alfie Penrith.

Additionally, our newly created **Girls' Football Team** have entered the Gloucester League for the first time. We've enjoyed a superb, unbeaten start to the season. Well done girls! Results to date:

Tuffley 3-6 Waterwells Robinswood 0-9 Waterwells Elmbridge 1-3 Waterwells

TEAM: Megan Prout, Leilani Ryder, Anja Brotherston, Izzy Ranford, Kathy-Kay Poole, Nevaeh Ryder, Olivia Otterwell, Kyla Davies, Keira Penrith.

Following the success of last years' visit, children in Years 2-6 were lucky enough to have another archery session. Whilst the first sessions took part in wet and soggy conditions this didn't put anyone off and once again all who took part had a fantastic time.

At the time of print, we will be enjoying our first ever Inter-House Sports Competition. Children in Years 2-6 are competing in a cross-country event, earning BEST points for their House. We look forward to holding more Inter-House competitions throughout the year. The event is doubling up as school trials for the Gloucester Schools Cross Country Championships in early November, which is renowned for being wet and muddy but brilliant fun!

Next half term we will be welcoming a specialist Zumba coach into school to teach us some moves – watch this space for photos!

Miss Dando & Megan Prout (Sports Captain)