

Round up of the week

This week was a busy one, not only were the children continuing with their day to day routines, but Year 2 and 3 visited the Cotswold Wildlife Park and Year 5 and 6 took part in an evacuation day at Winchcombe as part of their curriculum topics. We received lovely reports of how well the children behaved and engaged with their learning; well done children!

Country Dancing

Congratulations to all the Year 3 children who represented the school at the Stroud District Country Dancing Festival earlier this week. The children performed and represented the school so beautifully. My thanks go to Mrs Ahmad who helped prepare the children and to Mrs Rosser-Smith and all the parents who went along to support.

PTA

I met with our PTA earlier this week and plans are full steam ahead for Band in the Barn. Thank you to everyone who has already signed up to help. We do however still need more volunteers, so if you are able to offer an hour or two that would be most appreciated.

At our meeting we also discussed the recycling schemes that the PTA currently run. In recent years, we have seen a significant increase in the funds raised by the recycling schemes e.g. coffee pouches, pens, toothpaste tubes/brushes and biscuit wrappers. Tricia Watson (Year 6 parent) has been instrumental in driving these schemes and we are all extremely grateful to her for all her hard work. It appears that we are very lucky to be part of the Terracycle scheme as there many schools across the country on a waiting list to be part of it. Many of you may be aware that Tricia is soon to be standing down from the PTA, as her youngest son moves on to secondary school. We are keen to maintain the momentum she has worked hard to establish.

Mrs Fielder has recently sent out communication requesting volunteers to help out with the various recycling schemes and we have been thrilled with the response. She is in the process of putting together a rota so thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help. It is wonderful to have support for such initiatives as it is an easy way of raising funds, whilst facilitating recycling of goods that would otherwise end up in landfill. Anyone who is interested in getting involved, please speak to the office staff.

Reception violin lessons

It was wonderful to see the Reception children so engaged in their violin lessons this week. They showed such enthusiasm and determination to create sounds using the methods taught. Well done children. If your child is in Reception, you should have received a letter this week from Gloucestershire Music offering you the opportunity to hire a violin for £10 for the rest of the term. If you are interested in taking up this offer, please return your form to Gloucestershire Music rather than the school office.

PTA News

Calling All Band In the Barn Helpers!

It's that time again..... we need some helpers please for our fantastic fundraiser Band In The Barn on 18th May! We've gone digital - so please sign up online only at <https://www.volunteersignup.org/9B8PX>. If you have not yet bought your tickets (£10), please buy them from the school office or online <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/band-in-the-barn>. Thank You!

Recycling Focus



Did you know you can now recycle the following at school:

- Air Wick fragrance twin pack plastic sleeves
- Finish dishwashing tablets flexible plastic packs only
- Vanish stain remover powder flexible plastic packs only

Just drop your recycling at the office, but if you have recycling for different schemes, **please sort it into separate bags first**. Thank you.

Success Story

Congratulations to Evan and Lucas and their Cotswold Rangers team who won the Cheltenham Youth Football League Cup Final following an incredibly tense game at Cheltenham FC's home ground. Both took a turn in goal to help get the team to 3:3 at full time (from a losing position of 0:3 with just 10 minutes to spare). Then Lucas stayed calm through penalties and they won those at 4:3.

99 Club

Congratulations to the following Year 2 children who have been awarded badges as part of the 99 Club. Riley, Ella, Elliott, Finn, Lana, Madeleine, Fleur E and Theo.

REACH

Congratulations to the following children who have been awarded REACH certificates this week.

Reception

Lara	Effort
Sebby	Effort
Erin	Effort
Luca	Effort

Year 1

Ryder	Achieve
Archie W	Achieve
Ted	Achieve
Aria	Achieve

Year 2

All of Year 2 for Respect during their trip

Year 3

All of Year 3 for Respect during their trip

Year 4

Amy	Achieve
Toby	Achieve
Barnaby	Respect
Jacob	Challenge

Cleaning staff

Charlie (Y3)	Respect
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Year 5

All of Year 5 for Respect during their trip

Saffi	Respect
Kasper	Respect
Rosa	Respect
Molly	Respect
Esme	Respect

Year 6

All of Year 6 for Respect during their trip

Amy	Respect
Charlie R	Respect
Lola	Effort
Meg	Achieve



**Evan and Lucas
Success story**

Dates for your Diary

Y1 trip to the woods	Tuesday 7 th May
Y6 SATS	Monday 13 th – Friday 16 th May
YR visit to the woods	Wednesday 15 th May
Y6 SATs treat	Thursday 16 th May
Y1 trip to Weston super Mare	Thursday 23 rd May