



TUTSHILL C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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END OF TERM NEWSLETTER – APRIL 2022

Dear Parent and Carers,

We have come to the end of the spring term, as always we had a lot taking place in School! We have continued to attend sporting events, with the children performing very well. As always, the children represent the school perfectly; their manners, sportsmanship and teamwork is exemplary- well done! As you are aware, we have at times been operating with minimal staff, yet are very pleased that we did not have to make any class closures, not all schools have been so lucky! I would like to say a personal 'thank you' to all the staff at the School for enabling this to happen; class swaps, additional lunch cover, delivering lunches and so much more! Without the dedication and hard work of the staff we couldn't have stayed open- thank you!

It was a pleasure to have had so many parents come on site for Parental Consultations. I do hope that the hybrid approach worked, we will be asking for parental feedback to see if this approach, with tweaks, is something we operate again in the future.

As you may be aware, government guidance changed on 1 April 2022. After Easter, the School will be adhering to the following guidance:

- Should children have a fever, temperature or are genuinely unwell, we ask they stay at home, until they feel better and the temperature has returned to normal.
- Should children test positive, they are asked to stay away from people and school for 3 days.
- Staff testing positive will be required to stay away from people and work for 5 days.
- There is no requirement to test to return to school.

We are currently experiencing high rates of covid in the staff and pupil body and hope that the Easter break will act as a fire-break for us all! Thank you all for being so understanding during this challenging period.

The School is closed to pupil's tomorrow but the staff will be attending a curriculum development day on site. I wish you all a restful Easter break and very much look forward for all the excitement of the summer term!

Best wishes,
Miss Lane

REMINDERS...

Please can we ask parents/carers to ensure children arrive by 8.55am for the start of the school day, to minimise disruption to the children's learning thank you.

Lost Property

We have a large amount of unnamed clothing items in our lost property. Please can you ensure your child's name is in their school uniform, PE kit and any clothing they wear to school.

School Meal Bookings

Please ensure your child's school meal is booked in advance of the day.

New Staff

We very much welcome new staff team members, Mrs Stackhouse our new School

Administrator and Miss Francis our new Teaching Assistant. We wish them all the best in their new roles.

Contact Information

Please ensure you advise the School Office of any changes to your contact details. It is vital that we have your up to date information for all correspondence purposes and in case of emergency. Please email any changes to office@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk

Holiday Sports Club

The school holiday sports club will be running from 9am-3pm, Tuesday 19 April to Friday 22 April, bookings have now closed.

School Photographs

We have the photographers in school on Thursday 28 April to take portrait photographs of



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Reception Class and Year 6. They will also be taking group class photos.

After School Sports Clubs

These clubs will begin the first week back after the Easter break. Details have been sent to the relevant year groups.

School Admission for Ukrainian Families

We have finally received guidance from the DfE but are yet to receive anything from Gloucestershire. A recent DfE circular states...
'...all school-aged children and young people who arrive from Ukraine will have the right to access suitable education and childcare whilst in the UK.'

'The Secretary of State for Education has reminded local authorities, that they are able to use flexibilities to admit above the published admission number and exceed the infant class size limit, ... to ensure all school-aged children can access suitable education.'

It would therefore appear that families are expected to use the schools admissions processes to apply for a place in year at a school. Please follow this link to the school website

<https://www.tutshillcofeschool.co.uk/website/admissions/402588> and complete and in year admission form for each child. Please submit this to admin@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk and we shall process this in line with the guidance. Should we be informed of any local changes to this approach, I will of course let you know.

Book Fair

This will take in school from 10-12 May at 3.15pm for approximately 30 minutes. There are over 200 titles for you and your child to choose from, and with prices starting from only £2.99. Our school can earn FREE BOOKS for every book sold at the Fair so this is a great opportunity to stock up our classrooms with brand new resources.

In order for the Book Fair to be successful, we would like to ask if there are any parents who are able to assist by setting up and selling the books. We would require help from 3.05pm until approximately 3.45pm. Please email the school office at office@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk. Any offers of help are always greatly appreciated.

Netball Tournament

Well done to all of the children who took part in the South District Netball Tournament. You did brilliantly and played really well as a team. Both of our teams were amazing and played with confidence and enthusiasm. Well done to our 'A' team who won this tournament and got into the district final. Unfortunately, this has had to be postponed but we are hoping that it will be re-arranged for next term. Well done to everyone who was involved!

Football Tournaments

Well done to all of the children who have taken part in the Prostars Football Tournaments this term at the Dean Academy in Lydney. We have also taken part in a mixed football tournament and a girls' football tournament. All of the children played fantastically and we were proud of them all for demonstrating excellent sportsmanship. Our Year Six girls' football team won their tournament and got into the final. They were drawing at full time and so the match went to extra time! This also ended in a draw and so we had to take part in penalties! The girls' showed courage and perseverance as they won the penalty shoot-out. They were awarded gold medals and they also won a cup! Well done girls!

Gloucestershire Cricket

All of the children from Year One to Year Six have enjoyed taking part in their cricket sessions with Eric from Gloucestershire Cricket. They have demonstrated courage and perseverance whilst learning new skills and have developed their throwing, batting and catching techniques. Well done to everyone who has been involved.

School Council

The School Council have been working hard this term and have organised a successful playground challenge and they have also been working towards their Eco-Schools Award. The children have created their own newspaper report which will be sent shortly. They are planning to write one of these each term to update you with their latest news. The Eco-News has also been a great success, this is uploaded to Seesaw weekly and is a super way to find out about how to help our world. Thank you to our School Council for all of your hard work, it is very much appreciated.



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Thank you to everyone who was involved and to the parents/carers who supported the events and helped with transport.

We are looking forward to taking part in more sporting events that are due to take place in the Summer Term.

Eco Council

We will be completing litter picking activities at school after the Easter break. The Eco Council have joined the #GBSchoolClean. As part of this initiative, if you would like to take part in a litter picking activity over the Easter holidays, then please follow the safety advice given on the website link –

<https://www.keepbritaintidy.org/get-involved/support-our-campaigns/great-british-spring-clean/clean-preparation-and-safety-advice>

It is also important that if your child is litter picking they should be accompanied by an adult at ALL times. If you do complete a litter picking activity, please upload any photos to Seesaw and let us know how much litter you have picked. Many thanks for your continued support.

PTA

We would like to say a huge thank you to the PTA for organising such a fabulous end of term disco. The children all had a fantastic time and it was so lovely to see all of their smiling faces! We really do appreciate the time and effort that the PTA put into their events.

Easter Bonnet Parade

Wow! What a lot of 'eggcellent' Easter bonnets we have seen today! We are so sorry that the wind meant that our outside parade had to be moved to the school hall. Thank you to everyone who was involved in making the bonnets they really did look amazing!

Diary Dates for April 2022 – July 2022

MONTH	DATE	EVENT
Apr	7	Term 4 ends
	8	INSET DAY
	15	BANK HOLIDAY
	18	BANK HOLIDAY
	25	Term 5 begins
	28	School Photographs
May	2	BANK HOLIDAY
	9-12	Year 6 SAT's
	10-12	Book Fair

	27	Term 5 ends
Jun	6	INSET DAY
	7	Term 6 begins
Jul	21	Term 6 ends at 1pm

Cool Club Contact Details

If you need to contact Cool Club regarding the breakfast or the after school club, parents can do so by email at coolclub15@outlook.com or by their contact phone number on 07763 479119.

School Contact Details

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