



## TUTSHILL C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

*'Love One Another, Know Ourselves, Believe and Grow'*

### END OF TERM NEWSLETTER – FEBRUARY 2022

We have had a wonderful half term at school and whilst we are still experiencing the effects of Covid, we are feeling confident that we can see the light at the end of the tunnel! As you may have noticed, we are occasionally experiencing staff shortages due to reasons out of our control. Please can I ask that if your child has symptoms, they test and isolate, if needed. Doing this means we are looking after our school community and keeping as many staff on site as possible. We will keep parents abreast of any changes in guidance, when it is released.

#### Volunteers

We would like to invite parents, grandparents or local residents to come in and read with our children. We are looking for people who can dedicate a minimum of an hour a week to be able to come into school to hear children read from all year groups. In return for your time, we will deliver a safeguarding and information briefing but most importantly invite you to a reading workshop to share with you the principles of teaching children to read so you are confident in how to support children's reading and their development. We are flexible and would love to have volunteer readers at any time throughout the day or week in school. Should you be interested, please register your interest at:

[office@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:office@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk)

#### REMINDERS...

##### Punctuality

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

##### Personal Items

Please could we request that children do not bring personal items such as toys, teddies, toy cars, etc to school. These items can be easily lost but are very difficult to find!

##### PE days for next term:

Reception: Tuesday and Thursday

Year One: Monday and Tuesday

Year Two: Monday and Friday

Year Three: Monday and Wednesday

Year Four: Monday and Thursday

Year Five: Monday and Friday

Year Six: Monday and Thursday

#### World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 3 March. Children are invited to join in with the celebration by coming to school dressed as a character from a book and to bring along a favourite book to enjoy sharing. There are lots of fun activities planned including online Masterclasses, a competition and much more. Please find below a link for families at home to join in

<https://www.worldbookday.com/families/>

On Friday 11 March 2022, a book themed dance workshop will take place in collaboration with WEST END IN SCHOOLS (Bringing Books to Life Dance Workshops), who will be visiting us to work in classes KS1 and KS2.

#### Knex Challenge Year 6

Knex is a construction kit that allows the pupils to experiment with structures, gears and other mechanisms while modelling their own designs. Year 6 have a wonderful opportunity to enjoy a Knex session run by Stemworks in school, creating their own designs and constructions using these kits on Wednesday 2 March.

#### SkillZone Year 5

SkillZONE is a state-of-the-art life-size village. It is a fully interactive learning environment to teach people of all ages how to recognise dangerous situations and stay safe. Year 5 will be visiting SkillZone on Wednesday 23 March. These education sessions are currently free as a result of GCC funding and the Gloucestershire Fire & Rescue Service kindly providing transport costs.

#### Charity Haircut

If you would like to sponsor Mya, Year 5 and support her charity haircut, please visit her Just Giving at <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/tammy-perchard>. You can contact Mrs Perchard or Mya directly to donate cash via a paper sponsor form.



## TUTSHILL C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

*'Love One Another, Know Ourselves, Believe and Grow'*

Mya is having her hair cut on 23 February at midday in Poyntz Hair Studio, Sedbury.

### Cricket Sessions

We are very excited to welcome Gloucestershire Cricket into school to lead sessions with the children from Year 1 to Year 6. The children will have the opportunity to take part in weekly cricket sessions until the Easter break. The sessions will help to develop their fielding and catching skills. They are due to take place on Mondays starting on 28 February. If your child is in Year 1 to Year 6, please could they wear their full PE kit on Mondays for the next half term. Many thanks.

### Football

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 are really proud of you all, you worked well as a team and demonstrated excellent sportsmanship whilst playing and whilst watching the other teams. Thank you to everyone who was involved and to the parents/carers who supported the events and helped with transport.

### Sports Hall Athletics

Well done to the Year 5 children who took part in the Sports Hall Athletics. You all worked brilliantly as a team and really impressed us with your athletic skills. We are really proud of you all. Thank you to everyone who was involved and to the parents/carers who supported the events.

### Comic Relief

Comic Relief is taking place on Friday 18 March and the theme is 'Superheroes'. This could be a known superhero from a comic, book or film - but it could also be an original superhero that the children create, such as 'Air-Guitar Girl' or 'Bakes-Brilliant-Cakes-Boy'. Feel free to be as creative as you like with your ideas! Further details will follow after half term.

### Playtime

The School Council will be helping to organise the playtime and wet play boxes for each year group. If you have any toys (in good condition) that you no longer need and would like to donate them please bring them to the school office next term or hand them to Mrs Cooper. We will then distribute them to the classes. Ideal toys would be cars, dolls, Lego, complete board games and

jigsaws, Playmobil and small world characters/animals etc. Many thanks.

### 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](mailto:office@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk)

### Diary Dates for February 2022 – July 2022

MONTH	DATE	EVENT
Feb	28	Term 4 begins
March	2	Knex Challenge Y6
	3	World Book Day
	18	Comic Relief
	23	Skillzone Y5
Apr	7	Term 4 ends
	8	INSET DAY
	15	BANK HOLIDAY
	18	BANK HOLIDAY
	25	Term 5 begins
May	2	BANK HOLIDAY
	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](mailto:coolclub15@outlook.com) or by their contact phone number on 07763 479119.

### School Contact Details

Telephone: 01291 622593  
 Email: [office@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:office@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk)  
 Attendance: [attendance@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk)  
 PTA email: [ptatutshill@gmail.com](mailto:ptatutshill@gmail.com)