**May 2018**

**Mid-Point Newsletter**

We are half way through Term 5 - how, I just don’t know! The children have worked hard throughout the term and I have been fortunate to get into class to see lots of teaching and learning. I have been remarkably pleased with what I have seen. Throughout the term, the Governing Body have been in school conducting learning walks and talking with children. The children are confident and polite with many wanting to talk with the governors!

Please can I remind you that Monday 7th May is a public holiday and we will see you all on Tuesday 8th May 2018.

**Year 5 Bikeability**

Children in Year 5 successfully completed their Level 2 Bikeability Cycle Training in the first week of the summer term. The children were exceptionally sensible and conducted themselves with maturity when out on the road. Well done!

**KNex County final**

Two of our Year 6 pupils attended the county finals this year. They returned to school to share what an exciting day they had! They had been asked to design a multipurpose gym facility for all ages. At the event, many other schools complimented them upon their design; great work!

**KS1 and KS2 National Tests.**

Throughout the month of May the children in Year 2 and Year 6 sit National Curriculum tests. The younger children have already begun and have approached them sensible and maturely - with some not even realising they are tests! The children will continue to sit these until the end of the term.

KS2 will sit their tests week commencing Monday 14th May 2018**.** Below is the time table for Year 6.

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| **Monday 14th May 2018** | **Tuesday 15th May 2018** | **Weds 16th May 2018** | **Thursday 17th May 2018** | **Friday 18th May 2018** |
| English Paper 1: SPaG short Answer Questions  | English Paper 2: SpellingEnglish Reading Paper | Maths Paper 1: Arithmetic Paper  Maths Paper 2: Reasoning Paper | Maths Paper 3: Reasoning Paper | No tests today |

**Class Photos**

School class photos will be coming home in book bags today. Please ensure you return your order and payment in the envelope provided, to the School Office, by Thursday 17 May 2018.

**Changes to School Menu**

We will be celebrating the Royal Wedding by having a Royal themed Menu on Monday 14 May 2018:

 **MAIN**

Princely Pizza (Chicken, Cheese & Pineapple)

**VEGETARIAN**

Princess Pasta (Macaroni Cheese)

**SIDE**

Windsor Wedges (Baked Potato Wedges)

**VEGETABLES**

Summer Salad (Mixed Leaf Salad)

**DESSERT**

Congratulation Crumble (Pear)

There will also be a further change to the menu on Thursday 17 May 2018 as this is Census Day. The amount of funding the school receives for the year to provide the children with a free school meal depends on how many children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 book a meal for their child on this day. With this in mind we would really appreciate if you could book your child in for a school meal on this day. The menu choices on this day will be:

Beef Burger in a Bun

**OR** Cheese and Pepper Whirl.

**Year 3 and Year 4 Trip**

Children in Year 3 and Year 4 will be visiting ‘We The Curious’ (formerly @Bristol) on Tuesday 15 June 2018. A letter with requirements for the day will be sent out next week.

**PTA Spring Fayre**

You will soon be receiving raffle tickets for the Spring Fayre. There are loads of great prizes kindly donated by local businesses. The money raised by the PTA contributes towards many things your children benefit from such as organised activities at the school and providing water bottles when children start school.

Please return either completed ticket stubs with your payment or unused tickets to the school in the envelope provided before the prize draw. We greatly appreciate your support!

We will also gratefully receive any of the following items:

* Unopened bottles for bottle tombola and teddies for the teddy tombola - please bring to school on Wednesday 16th, Thursday 17th or Friday 18th May.
* Cakes for the fayre cake stall – please bring into school on Friday 18th May.

We still need a few stall holders on the day of the fayre – please contact ptatutshill@gmail.co.uk or sign up with <https://www.volunteersignup.org/M9L4W>. Thank you!

We’re no longer collecting uniform or second-hand toys and books

**‘The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe’ Production**

We look forward to seeing another whole school performance by MandM Productions on Thursday 24 May. This is kindly funded by the PTA.

**Holiday Sports Club**

Once again, we will be holding the Holiday Sports Club during the half term week from Tuesday 29 May to Friday 1 June 2018. To book a place for your child, please visit [www.tutshillcofe.parentseveningsystem.co.uk](https://tutshillcofe.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/).

The spaces for this club fill quickly. Please respond at your earliest convenience to be able to reserve a space.

**Sun-hats, Sun-cream, Hayfever and Water Bottles**

As we move into the summer term, we would be grateful for your support in providing your child with a sun-hat and sun-cream for use in school. The children will need to administer the sun-cream themselves. Please also ensure that your child has a water bottle in school for use with water only.

If your child suffers from hayfever, please inform school by completing one of our “Medical Needs” forms (which can be collected from the school office) and confirm whether or not your child should be kept indoors at play-time and lunch-time. All children will be sent out to play on our main field, weather permitting, unless we receive your confirmation that they are to be kept indoors for supervised play. There is not an option of being kept on the playground if the school is on the field, due to the number of staff that we have.

The school’s usual administration of medication policy applies to hayfever remedies. We can only administer prescribed medication with its original pharmacist’s dispensing label (specific to the child) complete with dosage instructions. Please visit the school office to collect a form if appropriate.

**Lydney Community Fun Day**

PC Natalie has asked us to inform parents of the Lydney Community Fun Day being held in Bathurst Park, Lydney on Wednesday 30 May 2018, 10am – 3pm. This is an opportunity to come along and chat to local agencies.

**Dates for your diary**

We have tried to give you as many dates as possible for the remainder of the school year.

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| **May 2018** | 7 | **May Day Bank Holiday** |
|  | 14-17 | Key Stage 2 SATs week |
|  | 15 | Year 3 & Year 4 Trip to ‘We The Curious’ |
|  | 19 | PTA Spring Fayre |
|  | 23 | Year 6 Residential Meeting |
|  | 24 | The Lion, The Witch & The Wardrobe Production for all years |
|  | 25 | **Term ends** |
| **June 2018** | 4 | INSET DAY |
|  | 5 | **Term begins** |
|  | 5 | Year 5 Trip to Cheltenham Science Festival (Day One) |
|  | 6 | Year 6 Leavers’ Service at Gloucester Cathedral |
|  | 7 | Year 5 Trip to Cheltenham Science Festival (Day Two) |
|  | 14 | Country Dance Festival – Speech House 6.30pm |
|  | 20 | Reserve Date for Country Dance Festival |
|  | 19-21 | Year 6 Wyedean Transition Days |
|  | 23 | Open Garden |
| **July 2018** | 3 | Sports Day |
|  | 4 | Music Evening |
|  | 4 | Year 5 Day at Wyedean School |
|  | 7 | Year 6 Leavers’ Event |
|  | 10 | Reserve Sports Day |
|  | 11-13 | Year 6 Residential Trip |
|  | 12 | Year 5 Brass Mini Concert |
|  | 16 | PTA Summer Disco |
|  | 25 | **Term ends – 1.00pm finish** |