



Dear Families,

I wanted to start by saying thank you for your incredible support over the last three weeks during a very challenging time for staffing. The positive messages we've received lifted our spirits and helped us to keep smiling. We very much hope we are now heading towards normal staffing levels and a return to normal routines. Have a wonderful weekend and we look forward to another week of fantastic learning!

Jo Thorn

Assistant Principal – Head of Lower School and Interim SENCO

## Important Dates

Thursday 17 February: Alternative Lunch Menu

Friday 18 February: Last Day of T3

Monday 28 February: First Day of T4

Thursday 3 March: World Book Day/Alternative Lunch Menu

Wednesday 16 March: Academy INSET Day (closed to all Year Groups)

Friday 25 March: Y5 Trip to – We The Curious

Friday 1 April: Last Day of T4

## Brook Road

South Gloucestershire Council have enforced the closure of Brook Road between 08.25am-08.50am and 2.00pm – 3.20pm.

During these times, Brook Road will be a Pedestrian and Cycle Zone only with the exception of Blue Badge Holders.

Members of the Professional Services Site Team will be on hand during the above times and are grateful for and appreciate your ongoing support with this.

## World Book Day

World Book Day was created to celebrate books and authors and to encourage children to discover the pleasure of reading. This year, World Book Day is on Thursday 3 March.

To celebrate, we would like children to come into school wearing their pyjamas and where possible, bring in their favourite story book where the children can share their favourite stories with their friends and classroom teachers.

If you have any queries, please contact your child's class teacher via Seesaw.

## We The Curious Trip – Y5

The Year 5 team have arranged an exciting trip for both Sycamore and Aspen Class on Friday 25 March, to; We The Curious in Millennium Square. A detailed letter regarding the trip will be handed to children in due course.

## ASPENS – Special Menu

On the third Thursday of every month, ASPENS will be holding a special lunch menu to entice the children into trying something new and yummy!

The first alternative menu will be on Thursday 17 February with the following on offer:

Sweet and Sour Battered Chicken with Rice  
(Sweet and Sour sauce to be served separately)

Vegetable spring Rolls with Rice

Soy Green Beans

Chinese Five Spice Cupcakes

The next alternative menu will coincide with World Book Day and will be on Thursday 3 March with the following on offer:

Lady and the Tramp Spaghetti and Meatballs

Garlic Bread

Side Salad

Harry Potter Wizarding Squash Pasty

New Potatoes

Green Salad

Gruffalo Rocky Road Bars

## Healthy Snack

Children in Year R – 2 receive a piece of fruit or vegetable from the Government Change 4 Life; School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme. If your child is in Year 3 – 6, please provide a healthy snack for them daily to enjoy during morning break.

## Teddy Bear's Child Care

Teddy Bear's will not be offering provision during the February Half Term holidays however, Cathryn and the team are working on something special during the Easter and future Half Terms so watch this space!

## Future Bright Project

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## After School Sports Clubs

I am pleased to announce that after school sports clubs will restart on Monday 7 February. Please see below for which clubs are on.

<b>After School Club Timetable – Terms 3 and 4</b>					
	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
<b>TEDDY BEARS</b>					
	Yoga Y1 – Y2 and Girls Football Y5 – Y6	Dance with Faye Y2 – Y6		Yoga Y3 – Y4	
<b>Sporting Chance</b> Tuesday: Football Club Y3 – Y6 Wednesday: Superstar Multisports YR – Y2 Thursday: Tennis Club Y2 – Y4 Friday: Football Club Y1 – Y2					

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