



Date	Activity	Date	Activity
11 Sept	Y5/Y6 Curriculum Information Evening Y5 starts at 5.30pm Y6 starts at 6.15pm	19 Oct	Harvest Assembly – in the afternoon – all parents are welcome to attend time to be confirmed
12 Sept	Y1 Curriculum Information Evening 6pm start	20 Oct	Last day of Term 1 – 3.15pm finish
14 Sept	Y2 Curriculum Information Evening 6pm start	30 Oct	Term 2 Starts
18 Sept	Y3/Y4 Curriculum Information Evening Y3 starts at 5.30pm Y4 starts at 6.15pm	1 Nov	Parents Evening – Years 1 to 6
20 Sept	Principle at Cleeve School to see Year 6 parents – 6pm start	2 Nov	Parents Evening – Years 1 to 6
20 Sept	New to Reception Phonics information evening – 6pm	9 Nov	Y6 Class Assembly – Y6 parents welcome to attend at 2.45pm
26 Sept	New parents coffee morning - 9.30am	24 Nov	Open Afternoon for children starting in September 2018 - 1-30pm
26 Sept	Head at Winchcombe Secondary School to see Year 6 parents - 5pm start	30 Nov	Y3 Class Assembly – Y3 parents welcome to attend at 2.45pm
28 Sept	Open Afternoon for children starting in September 2018 – 1.30pm start	13 Dec	KS1 Production/Concert (afternoon time to be confirmed)
16 Oct	Reception Parents evenings – a sign-up sheet will be available on Tapestry	14 Dec	KS2 Production/Concert (afternoon time to be confirmed)
17 Oct	Reception Parents evenings – a sign-up sheet will be available on Tapestry	18 Dec	Reception Nativity (afternoon time to be confirmed)
17 Oct	9.30am Open Morning for children starting in September 2018	19 Dec	Christmas sing-a-long – 1.30pm start and parents welcome. Last day of Term – 2pm finish

Welcome back

It is lovely to welcome everyone back and the new children to the school. Along with our new Reception children, we are delighted to welcome eleven new children into other year groups. We now have 275 children on roll at our school.

We also welcome Mrs Edwards who is teaching in Year 2A and Miss Dadge who is teaching in Year 5.

KS2 Block

We finally got there! Furniture and boxes were moved last Saturday and Monday this week (which was the earliest we were allowed back into school) and my thanks go to all staff for the massive effort which enabled the school to be ready on Wednesday morning. Our school now looks fantastic! There are still bits to be done, but within a few weeks everything should be complete. We are sorry that our office phone lines are still out of action but we do hope that everything will be back to normal early next week.

We are planning to have a grand opening and if anyone has any thoughts on who they think should ‘cut the ribbon’ please do let us know.



Well done to the following children who were awarded the Blue Card Award for outstanding achievement at the end of the Summer Term

Reception	Poppy and Finley
Year 1	Grace and Gabriel
Year 2	Jake
Year 3	Evie
Year 4	Lily
Year 5	Millie
Year 6	Dolly

Drop off and pick up will stay as it is at the moment, but eventually, when the site is ready, this will change for the juniors. We will let you know in due course.

Key Dates

Each week at the top of our newsletter we list the key dates coming up across the term, please do keep an eye on this.

Curriculum Evening

Please note the dates of each curriculum information evening at the top of the newsletter. It's really important that parents attend these evenings as we need to work in partnership with you and your children. The evening will give you a flavour of the content covered in your child's year group, an insight into assessment and links and tips to support your children at home. It will be a great opportunity for you to see the changes to the school as well!

Phonics Evening for New Reception Parents

Please ensure you try to attend the Phonics evening (details above with key dates). This is an evening to explain how phonics is taught at the school and how you can help.

All New Families

We are also holding a coffee morning for all new parents on 26 September at 9.30am and hope to see as many new parents who can make it as possible.

Parents evenings for Years 1-6

These will be held on 1-2 November 2017. More information will follow.

Tour of Britain

A reminder that the Tour of Britain is coming through Cheltenham and details can be found on <http://www.tourofbritain.co.uk/> We had an assembly this afternoon where Anj Patel from Tewkesbury Borough Council talked to the children about the event and the benefits of cycling. Hopefully you might be able to find a spot to watch.

Important - Year Six transition to Secondary School.

Please note the evenings above in the key dates section for when Heads visit from Secondary Schools. You should receive a letter in your child's book bag with details of the transition. You must make your application either electronically or on paper by no later than the closing date of 31 October 2017. This is extremely important as any applications received after this date may not be considered until after 1 March 2018. If your child has sat the Grammar test then please keep an eye on the grammar school websites to see when their open sessions are.

Open Sessions for Children entering Reception in September 2018

Dates of these sessions are listed below and on our website. If you have any children starting in September, please note down the dates and if you have any friends or family who do, please share the dates with them and there is no need to book:

- Open afternoon – 1.30pm on Thursday 28 September 2017
- Open morning – 9.30am on Tuesday 17 October 2017
- Open afternoon – 1.30pm on Friday 24 November 2017

Owl Council Representatives

Congratulations to the following children who were elected by their peers to represent their Owl group. Each group has a Leader and a Deputy to fulfil all their duties.

Flu Vaccinations

Please note that flu vaccinations will now be given to children from Reception to Year 4 and the vaccine will be given as a nasal spray so it is quick and easy. These will be done on 14 December and we will give you further details in due course.

	Leader	Deputy
Barn Owls	Evie Y6	Riley Y6
Tawny Owls	Lily R Y5	Joe E Y5
Eagle Owls	Liam K Y5	Isabelle F Y2
Great Grey Owls	Heidi Y5	Lewis Y5
Snowy Owls	Hollye Y6	Evie Y4
Hawk Owls	Ben Y6	Sophie Y4

General housekeeping

Please ensure all your child's belongings are labelled clearly, as the school is getting larger there are more places to lose things. Please also make sure that your child brings in everything they need for the start of the day. All children must bring in their coats, even if the day starts out being sunny. If your child is unwell and unable to attend school, please call in the morning to report your child's absence or email us.

Key Stage 2 children (Year 3-6) are more than welcome to bring in some fruit for snack time at break. In Reception and KS1 fruit is provided.

FoGS Corner

FoGS are the Friends of Grangefield School and work in partnership with the school to help and raise money and organise exciting events. More information can be found on the website under the FoGs tab. The FoGS AGM will be held on Thursday 28 September at 6pm at the school, everyone is welcome. The agenda can be found on our website: <http://grangefield.gloucs.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/02/FoGS-AGM-Notice-2017.pdf>

Clubs

The school run clubs will start from week 3 (from Monday 18 September 2017) – if your child would like to take part in any school run clubs, please send us an email with details of your child's name and the club they would like to attend.

Day	Lunch	Afterschool – 3.15-4.15pm
Monday		Young Voices Years 4/5/6 – Miss Pollard and Miss Bennett Scratch Programming Club – Years 1/2 – maximum 16 children – Mrs Stokes
Tuesday		Sports Club - Years 1/ 2 - Mr Marchment Netball - KS2 – Years 3/4/5/6 — Mrs Phillips and Mrs Newitt
Wednesday	Lunch Club - Invitation Only – Miss Hunt Y3 – Recorders – Mrs Gilroy	(outside run club) AndyTucker Soccer Camps – Years 1-4 3.15-4.15pm £36 – book through atsoccercamps.co.uk
Thursday	Lego Club - Invitation Only – Mrs Grey	Choir - Years 1/2/3 — Miss Pollard Football – Years 5/6 – Mr Allard (outside run club) Tennis – 14 September – 23 November (10 week course) For Years 2/3/4/5/6. Letter will follow with details and costs.
Friday		Fitness Club – KS2 Years 3/4/5/6 – Mrs Gilroy

We hope your children have had a good few days and see you next week.

Have a good weekend.

Mrs Lewis