

Date	Activity	
w/c 9 Oct	Year 6 Bikeability	
10 Oct	Year 2 & 3 Trip to Cheltenham Literature Festival	
11 Oct	Year 6 Trip to Cheltenham Literature Festival	
11 Oct	Reception 2023 Stay & Play – 2:15pm	
12 Oct	EYFS & KS1 Movie Night – 3:15pm until 5pm	
13 Oct	KS2 Movie Night – 3:15pm until 5pm	
16 Oct	School Photo Day	
23 Oct	Reception 2024 Open Morning – 9:30 am	
24 – 25 Oct	School Nurse Team – Nasal Flu Sprays	
26 Oct	Term 1 Ends	
27 Oct	Inset Day	
6 Nov	Term 2 Begins	
15 Nov	Reception 2024 Open Morning – 9:30 am	
4 Dec	Reception 2024 Open Afternoon – 1:30 pm	
6 Dec	Year 2 Assembly – The Great Exhibition – 2pm	
21 Dec	Term 2 Ends: 2pm finish	
22 Dec	Inset Day	
8 Jan	Term 3 Begins	
9 Feb	Term 3 Ends	
19 Feb	Term 4 Begins	
23 Feb	Choir Trip to Young Voices Concert	
22 March	Term 4 Ends: 2pm finish	
8 April	Inset Day	
9 April	Term 5 Begins	
20-24 May	Y6 Residential to Grittleton House Adventure	
24 May	Term 5 Ends	
3 June	Term 6 Starts	
19 July	Term 6 Ends: 2pm finish	
22 July	Inset Day	
New Event or Change of Date/Time		
FOGS Event		

School Grounds at Home Time

Children MUST NOT be playing on any of the play equipment at pick up. This includes the play equipment on the astroturf outside the Reception classroom, the trim trail, wooden play pieces around the playground and the gym equipment by the bike shed. Please leave the school grounds promptly with your children, as Mrs Stickings, our Site Manager, needs to secure the gates for After School clubs. Children should not be climbing / walking along with wall by the kitchen. Bikes must not be ridden within the school grounds.

Important – Year Six transition to Secondary School

You should have receive a letter via your child with details of the transition. You must make your application electronically by no later than the date on the letter. This is extremely important as any applications received after this date may not be considered until after March 2024. Please do look at secondary school websites for schools you are interested in your child attending after Grangefield in order to find out when their open session days are.

Nasal Flu Immunisations

The School Nurse Team will be here on 24 and 25 October to carry out the Nasal Flu Immunisation programme. Thank you to everyone who has returned the consent form so far. If you are yet to do so, please do by 2 October. The School Nurses need consent forms from everyone even those would wish to decline the immunisation. If you have misplaced your form, please contact the school office, who will be able to supply another form.

Harvest Donations

We will be collecting donations for the North Cotswold Foodbank again this year. We will inform the children about this during our Harvest Assembly on Monday. Donations will be welcome at school from Monday 9th until Friday 13th October. Currently the foodbank are short of the following:

CUSTARD
SAVOURY SNACKS
LONG LIFE FRUIT JUICE
STOCK CUBES
BLEACH/TOILET CLEANER
LAUNDRY LIQUID/POWDER

CHOCOLATE
TEA
JELLIES
SPONGE PUDDINGS
DEODORANT
COFFEE

Uniform Donations

Thank you for the kind donations of school uniform. We are happy to continue to take the uniform; however, please can this be limited to uniform with logos on. We are short on the older ages, so if you know any families who have left Grangefield and may be having sort out, please let them know that we are happy to take donations.

Reception 2024 Open Events

Please continue to share our Open Events with any friends or family members who may have a child starting school in September 2024.



Grangefield School Open Days Reception 2024 Intake

Tuesday 3 October 1:30 pm

Monday 23 October 9:30 am - FULL

Wednesday 15 November 9:30 am

Monday 4 December 1:30 pm

Please visit <u>www.grangefield.gloucs.sch.uk</u> to book a session, session will last approximately



Holiday FSM voucher scheme

Applications for holiday FSM vouchers for October half term are **now open and will close at midday 17 October**.

This October half term, Gloucestershire County Council will provide families in receipt of Free School Meals, who sign up to this offer, with vouchers to assist with food costs during the school holidays. The vouchers are funded through grant funding we have received, and they are separate to that of term time free school meals.

The scheme is for children in reception to year 11 who receive Pupil Premium (benefits-related) free school meals and attend a school in Gloucestershire. GCC are unable to consider college and sixth form students, as well as children who receive infant free school meals (available to all children from reception to year 2) - they are not eligible for this scheme.

Families who have signed up to the scheme or who are already registered will receive a total of £15 per child.

To find out more about the scheme and to apply, parents can visit Holiday FSM vouchers webpage.

Parents who have signed up previously do not need to re-register, they will already have been included. To ensure GCC reach all those who are eligible, GCC are encouraging parents that have not previously signed up, to sign up as soon as they can.

Please note GCC check eligibility for the scheme by cross-referencing with the term-time free school meal register, so please make sure you are registered beforehand. You can register by visiting the apply for free school meals page.

Voucher emails will be sent out on 23 October. Please check your junk/spam folders during this period as sometimes the vouchers end up there.

If you have not received your vouchers by 25 October, please email childrensfund@gloucestershire.gov.uk.

Using vouchers – vouchers will only be awarded once the parent has registered for the scheme and cannot be backdated. Vouchers are valid for 6 months, although should be used in the holiday period in which they are awarded. If vouchers are not claimed and have expired, they cannot be re-issued. Vouchers not received should be queried via email to childrensfund@gloucestershire.gov.uk by the end of the holiday period.

For any parents wishing to update details of an existing application, please email childrensfund@gloucestershire.gov.uk so GCC can update your account, as details are not automatically updated.

School Trips

Year 6 – Grittleton House Adventure Centre – Residential

• Please ensure that all payments are up to date, all instalments on Payment Item No 1 or No 2 should have been paid. We will shortly need to be making payment to Grittleton.

Year 3, 4 & 6 – Cheltenham Literature Festival

• Please consent to the trip and, if able, make a voluntary contribution via ParentPay

Choir – Young Voices

• Please make a voluntary contribution towards the coach via ParentPay. Invoices have been sent to those that have ordered tickets and a payment item has been set up on ParentPay.

GRANGEFIELD SPORTS

Date	Sporting Fixtures
10 October	Cross Country (Selected Yr 5 & 6) @ Newlands – 4pm
13 October	Girls Football Competition (Selected) @ Prestbury St Marys – 1-3pm then @ Ashley Manor (St Ed's) – 3:30-5:30pm (if we make Finals)
16 October	Girls Football Competition Festival @ Cleeve School – 1pm
19 October	Cross Country (Selected Yr 5 & 6 – Boys) @ Ashley Manor (St Ed's) – 4pm
20 October	Albert Dix Football Competition (Selected) @ Charlton Kings – 1-3pm then @ Prestbury St Marys – 3:30-5:30pm (if we make Finals)
20 October	Cross Country (Selected Yr 5 & 6 – Girls) @ Ashley Manor (St Ed's) – 4pm
29 February	Cross Country (Selected Yr 5 & 6) @ Cheltenham College Prep – 4pm
7 March	Cross Country (Selected Yr 5 & 6 – Boys) @ Ashley Manor (St Ed's) – 4pm
8 March	Cross Country (Selected Yr 5 & 6 – Girls) @ Ashley Manor (St Ed's) – 4pm

FRIENDS OF GRANGEFIELD (FOGS) CORNER

We hope all the children (and grown-ups!) have settled back into the new term well. We are excited to share with you our first FOGS event of the year. Tickets are £3.50 each, which includes a bag of popcorn. Book your tickets at https://www.pta-events.co.uk/fogsbc/

Book your tickets by Tuesday 10 (EYFS & KS1) or Wednesday 11 (KS2)



COMMUNITY PAGES







The Library

Halloween Costume Swap





25 September - 9 October

DONATE a costume to any library (thank you!)

9 October - 1 November SWAP an old costume for a new one!

- Accessories, whole and part costumes accepted
- Donations will be accepted throughout the swap
- You can still take a costume home if you don't have one to swap
- Discover swaps across all county libraries
- > Both adult and child costumes welcome







Where: Sir Thomas Rich's School – main hall (go through

car park gate 1)

When: Saturday 7th October, 10.00 – 12.00

Cost: Free

The instruments on offer to try will be:

Violin Cello Flute

Clarinet

Alto saxophone

Trumpet Cornet

Tenor horn

Euphonium

Percussion

To sign up, please go to LIVE Portal (paritor.com)

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