

Date	Activity
2024—2025	
Thursdays	Year 5 Swimming lessons until Easter
23 Jan	Natter and Know How—8:45
13 Feb	FOGS discos (More info to follow)
14 Feb	Term 3 Ends
24 Feb	Term 4 Starts
27 Feb	Year 3 visit to Cadbury World
w/c 24 Mar	Year 6 Bikeability (6A) info to follow
w/c 31 Mar	Year 6 Bikeability (6B) info to follow
1 & 3 Apr	Parents Evenings
9 & 10 Apr	FOGS Easter Trail (More info to follow)
11 Apr	Term 4 Ends—2pm finish
28 Apr	Term 5 Starts
6 & 7 May	Yr R & 6 Height, Weight & Vision (Yr R only) Checks
w/c 12 May	Year 6 SATS (all Year 6 children MUST attend)
23 May	Term 5 Ends
2 June	Term 6 Starts
18 July	Term 6 Ends—2pm finish
New Event or Change of Date/Time	
FOGS Event	

Personal Details

Please ensure that you update the school office of any changes to you or your child's personal details, for example, change of address, phone numbers or contacts.

Parking

When parking in our neighbouring streets, please park considerately avoiding our neighbours' private property. Please respect private property and do not allow children to run across gardens. Please avoid parking on grass verges and ensure that enough space is left for emergency vehicles to access roads. Please avoid sitting for periods of time with your engines running. If parking in the Grangefield Approach road, please try not to overhang the cycle path.

Photo Permissions

We are currently updating our photo permission data, if you haven't already done so, please complete this [google form](#) letting us know how we can share photos of your child(ren).

Dear Grangefield Community,

What a whirlwind of excitement we've had in our first weeks of 2025! Across the school, children have been showcasing their public speaking skills in the Look Who's Talking competition. We've all been amazed by the levels of confidence and the interesting array of topics shared. I can't wait to see our finalists represent Grangefield at the local heats next month. They'll do us proud, I'm sure!

I'm delighted to share some brilliant news—we came second in the Tesco Strong Starts bid! Thanks to your support with the blue coin collection, we've been awarded £1,000 to enhance our outdoor learning areas. Your efforts will make a real difference to our children's experiences.

On a practical note, our security improvement work on the school gates is now complete. Please use the intercom on the pedestrian gate to access the school site during the day, and remember to secure the gate behind you. The car park gates are now automated and will close at 8:50 am, so please stick to the paths before and after school-drop off and pick-up times.

Many thanks,

Gemma Kydd

Headteacher

School Dinners

KS2 parents, thank you for making sure that your ParentPay accounts are credited with enough funds to cover school dinners before they are taken. Daily notifications will now be sent to those accounts that fall into arrears, by doing this, we have noticed that the overall school debt has reduced significantly. If you need any assistance or support, please contact the school office.

School Trip

Year 3—Cadbury World

Please can any contributions towards the trip be paid via ParentPay as soon as possible, the deadline for payment is 27 January.

Year 6—Residential October 2025

Please can any outstanding deposits be paid prior to the end of February, so we can make any adjustments with Grittleton House Adventure Centre.

Year 5—Swimming

Please check ParentPay for your coach balance.

Amazon Wishlist



Thank you to everyone that has purchased from our Amazon Wishlist so far, your generosity is most appreciated. We will be updating and adding to our wishlist periodically

throughout the school year. The wishlist can be accessed via this link—[Amazon Wishlist](#)

Headlice

We have headlice currently circulating around a few of our classes, please can you check and if necessary treat your child(ren).

Cheltenham Young Artist 2025

A big congratulations to Forrest in Year 5 who had his artwork shortlisted for display in the Cheltenham Young Artist 2025 competition. Forrest's artwork was displayed over the weekend of 11th and 12th January at the Gardens Gallery in Montpellier Gardens. Forrest's artwork was placed third. Well Done Forrest.



Friends of Grangefield (FOGS)

A very warm welcome back! Events you can look forward to this term are:

Disco Night—13th February. Children can get out their dancing shoes!

Easter Trail—9th and 10th April. A fun activity for all ages.

We can't wait to see you all at these events and make this term one to remember. Stay tuned for more updates and information coming soon!

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Please remember to use easyfundraising when you do your online shopping this year.

Over 8,000 retailers including eBay, John Lewis & Partners, Argos and M&S will donate to FOGS for **FREE** when you use easyfundraising to shop with them. All donations directly benefit the children at school. All you have to do is use easyfundraising when you're ordering the things you'll be buying anyway. With the donation reminder its even easier. It's completely free and doesn't take long. [easyfundraising website](#)

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A435 Evesham Road Land Stabilisation Works

As 2024 came to a close, significant progress was achieved in the project. The installation of sheet piles along both the top and bottom of the embankment is now complete marking a major milestone in finishing the sheet pile wall. The burning off process to both sets of sheet piles is also underway and is scheduled for completion early in the new year.

Before the festive period, a detailed survey of the existing drainage was conducted, as were core samples taken from the carriageway to test for the presence of contaminants. This testing has allowed us to proceed with the preparation of carriageway reinstatement works. We have started removing the affected section of carriageway that was subsiding, which involves excavating the existing surfacing down to its foundation level. Once this has been completed we will rebuild the base layers to strengthen and stabilise the road, ready for the top surface layer to be applied to finish the carriageway resurfacing works.



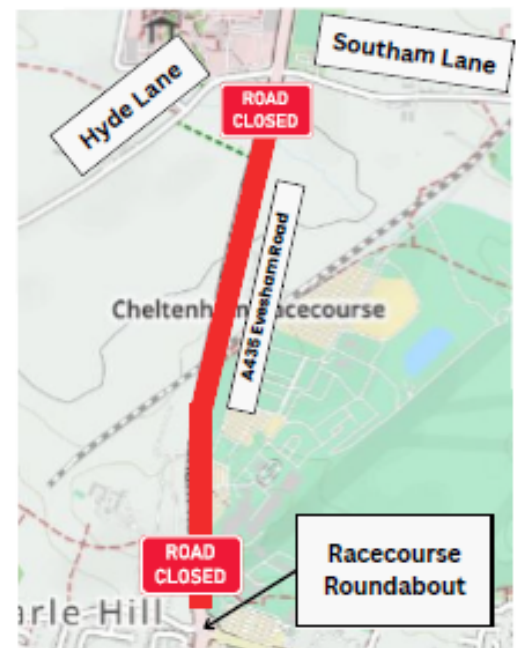
Overnight road closure

To carry out the resurfacing works, a road closure will be required on the A435 Evesham Road between Racecourse Roundabout and Hyde Lane junction.

This closure is scheduled to begin at **8pm on Monday 20th January** until 6am on Tuesday 21st January. As the works are weather dependent, Tuesday night has been booked as a contingency. An adequate diversion route will be in place and we ask that you follow all diversionary signage.

Access will be maintained for residents within the closure area (access for emergency services will also be maintained).

As details on road closures can be subject to change last minute, this will be communicated via social media (Gloucestershire County Council and Montel's) and through emailing our mailing list. If you'd like to be added to the mailing list, please email Suzanne at suzanne.wright@montel-group.com as soon as possible.





A435 Cheltenham to Bishop's Cleeve Cycleway: Section 2 Phase 1

Revised date of overnight road closure between Hyde Lane junction & Bishop's Cleeve roundabout

The schedule for overnight road closures on the A435 Evesham Road between Hyde Lane junction and Bishop's Cleeve roundabout has now changed. The revised road closures will now take place on the following dates:

From Tuesday 21st January for 3 nights between 8pm and 6am, until 6am on Friday 24th January.

During the overnight works, we will be removing the existing road markings and installing new road markings in the carriageway along the southern lane of the Evesham Road.

A diversion route will be in place and we ask that diversionary signage is followed.

The change in dates is due to the rescheduling of surfacing works related to the land stabilisation works on the A435 Evesham Road. This adjustment is intended to reduce the impact on the local community as much as possible.

Additional road closures:

These night works/road closure will follow the scheduled road closure of the A435 Evesham Road between Racecourse Roundabout and Hyde Lane junction on **Monday 20th January** between **8pm and 6am**. This relates to the A435 Evesham Road Land Stabilisation Works and involves resurfacing the carriageway.

Please note that the previously announced closure of the **Wellington Road junction/A435 Evesham Road** will proceed as planned on **Monday 13th January**, between 8pm and 6am. For the remainder of the week, 4-way temporary traffic signals will be in place during night-time hours (excluding the weekend).

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