

Date	Activity
2025—2026	
w/c 11 May	Year 6 SATS (all Year 6 children MUST attend)
15 May	KS2 Cake Sale
21 May	Year 4 Assembly—2:40 pm
22 May	Term 5 Ends
1 June	Inset Day
2 June	Term 6 Starts
10 June	Reception Assembly—2:40 pm
11 June	Year 2 Assembly—2:40 pm
16 June	Year 2 Trip to Berkeley Castle
17 & 18 June	Class Photos
18 June	Year 4 Trip to Chedworth Roman Villa
22 June	Rocksteady Concert—time to be confirmed
22 June	Parent Info Meeting for Reception 26 Starters 5pm
24 June	EYFS & KS1 Sports Day—Gates open at approx. 1pm
25 June	KS2 Sports Day—Gates open at approx. 1pm
29 June	Year 3 Trip to Bristol Zoo Project
7 July	Year 6 Production—9:30 am start
8 July	Year 6 Production—5 pm start
10 July	Year 6 Trip to Pittville Park and Bowling Trip
10 July	Year 5 Trip to We The Curious
11 July	Grangefest
14 July	Year 2 End of Year Production—2pm
15 July	Year 6 Leavers Party
17 July	Year 6 Graduation— 1:15 pm
17 July	Term 6 Ends—2pm finish
New Event or Change of Date/Time	
FOGS Event	

Summer Reminders

As we are starting to get a sprinkling of Summer, just some reminders:

- Please ensure that a coat is brought to school, even if it is sunny in the morning,
- If your child suffers with Hayfever, please ensure that they are given symptom relievers before arriving at school
- Sunhats should be brought in, for children to wear during outside activities
- When needed, suncream should be applied before school

Photo Permissions

We are updating our photo permissions, please complete this google form— <https://forms.gle/SF9PMiGRTq6UHLdJ7>

Dear Grangefield Community,

As we approach another busy and exciting week in school, I would like to draw your attention to an important national initiative launched by the Children’s Commissioner, Dame Rachel de Souza. The Children’s Commissioner works to promote and protect the rights of children and to ensure that young people’s voices are heard by those who make decisions about their lives. Her latest survey, *The Big Future*, gives children across the country the opportunity to share their views, hopes and experiences so that positive changes can be made for the future. Childhood should be a time of growth, opportunity and flourishing, and it is more important than ever that children feel listened to and valued. I would encourage families to take a look at the survey and support children in sharing their thoughts. You can find it here: [The Big Future Survey](#)

Finally, I also want to wish all of our Year 6 pupils the very best of luck as they begin their KS2 tests next week. We are already incredibly proud of your hard work, resilience and determination. Remember, these tests are designed to measure how schools are supporting children’s learning; they do not measure your worth, your potential or the wonderful individuals you are. What matters most is that you try your best, stay positive and believe in yourselves. You have all achieved so much already, and we know you will approach next week with confidence and resilience.

Best wishes,
Mrs Gemma Kydd
Headteacher

Lost Property

Please ensure that all items are clearly labelled with your child’s name. Our lost property buckets are overflowing with unnamed jumpers and cardigans which have been removed whilst playing at break and lunchtimes.

Absences due to Illness

If your child is absent from school due to illness, please contact the school office in the first instance, on either admin@grangefield.gloucs.sch.uk or 01242 671003.

You can still message teachers on Class Dojo, but please be aware that the teachers will not always look at messages prior to school, so you may be contacted by the office if they have not had notification about your child's absence. We ask that all parents adhere to the 48 hour rule following a bout of sickness and diarrhoea. If you are unsure as to whether your child should come to school, the NHS have a webpage that may be helpful - [Is my child too ill for school?](#)

Medical Appointments

Where possible, these should be made outside of school hours, however, we understand that this is not always easy, especially with hospital appointments. Please advise the school office, so that it can be recorded correctly in the register.

Other Absences

No family holiday, short break or day out can be authorised, except in exceptional circumstances. Absence for any reason during term time is discouraged. Parents do not have an automatic right to withdraw pupils from school for a holiday and in law, have to apply for permission in advance (at least 2 weeks' notice); this should be done by completing a "Request for a Leave of Absence" Form, this can be obtained from the school office. All unauthorised absences over 10 sessions (5 school days) are reported to the Local Authority Attendance Officer, which may result in you receiving a Penalty Notice. Please refer to our Absence Policy on our website for further clarification.

School Trips

Please visit ParentPay to consent to school trips and make voluntary contribution, where possible. Current trips are:

Years 2—Berkeley Castle

Year 3— Bristol Zoo Project

Year 4—Chedworth Roman Villa

Year 5—We the Curious

Parking

We appreciate that parking can be a little difficult at times along the approach road and in surrounding streets, but please can we ask that you park considerately, avoid parking over dropped kerbs and blocking pedestrian access, avoiding parking on our neighbour's private property, blocking driveway or crossings. Please only enter the school car park if you have been given prior permission from the school office. Please only park in the disabled space outside the school gates if you are a blue badge holder.

School Grounds Safety

Please be careful when entering / exiting the school grounds, please stick to paths, entering through the pedestrian gates, do not cross the staff car park. Please dismount bicycles before entering the gates to the school grounds.

Children MUST NOT be playing on the play equipment during pick up time, this includes the play equipment on the astroturf outside the Reception and KS1 classrooms, the trim trail, wooden play pieces around the playground and gym equipment by the bike shed.

Please leave the school grounds promptly with your children, as Mrs Stickings needs to secure the gates for after schools clubs.

Miles for MUGA Children's Event

Well Done to all the children that took part in our Miles for MUGA Children's Event on Friday 24 April. We will be counting all of the sponsored money soon and will let you know that total amount in due course.





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Quiz Night

A huge thank you to everyone who came along to Quiz Night! It was a fantastic evening, lots of fun was had, and together we raised an amazing £81.99. Thank you for all your support!

Lego Keyrings

Calling all LEGO fans! Our LEGO brick keyrings have arrived — the perfect little treat for someone special.

With Father's Day coming up, they make a fun and thoughtful gift for dads, but they're just as great for mums, grandparents, carers, friends... or anyone who deserves a smile. They even make a colourful bag tag for yourself! <https://www.zeffy.com/en-GB/ticketing/fathers-day-keyrings>

KS2 Cake Sale

Our KS1 cake sale was a huge success, and now it's the turn of KS2 to donate some homemade or store bought goodies.

All donations are welcome, please drop them off to the KS2 gates on the morning of Friday 15th May, where someone from FOGS will be available to collect them.

The sale will be held after school the same day, on the KS2 playground.

Friday Tuck Shop

FOGS will be in the KS2 playground on Fridays (weather permitting), with everything priced at just 50p or £1. Come along, and enjoy an end of week treat!

Help us fund our MUGA!

The school have announced that they are planning to install a multi-use games area (MUGA) on site, and FOGS are proud to be part of the fundraising effort.

An amount has already been pledged but we'd love to contribute more to this amazing project. Any support this year towards FOGS events will be gratefully appreciated. Whether that's attending, volunteering at, or promoting our events—every little helps!

Volunteers

We're always on the lookout for new members to join FOGS. As a volunteer, you'll help us make a real difference in our school community.

We know everyone's schedule is different, so we want to make it clear that you can give as much or as little time as you like. Whether you can volunteer for one event a year or attend every meeting, your contribution is valuable and appreciated.

FOGS helps fund important school initiatives, organizes fun family events, and provides a great way to meet other parents and staff.

If you're interested in learning more or joining, please get in touch at grangefieldpta@grangefield.gloucs.sch.uk

SCHOOL FUNDRAISER
Personalised Lego brick keyrings

Examples of keyrings: "Add Your Name", "#1 MUMS", "BEST DAD"

Please return your order by:

Friday 22nd May
For more info please contact Friends of Grangefield School

Your school earns £1 for every item you order!

FabBricks Trustpilot 4.5/5

Order a discounted personalised LEGO® brick keyring / bag tag through your school & raise funds at the same time!

We're delighted to offer you a great deal on our personalised LEGO® brick keyrings, whilst helping your school, nursery or preschool (PFA/PTA) in valuable funds. Order through your school for just £3.25 each, that's a discount of 50p off the normal price of £3.75 and for each one you buy, your school receives £1.00!

Keyring colour options:

<input type="checkbox"/> Blue	<input type="checkbox"/> Orange	<input type="checkbox"/> Red	<input type="checkbox"/> Green
<input type="checkbox"/> Black	<input type="checkbox"/> Purple	<input type="checkbox"/> Pink	<input type="checkbox"/> White
<input type="checkbox"/> Azure	<input type="checkbox"/> Lavender	<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow	<input type="checkbox"/> Lime

Font Options:
Marshmallow KOMIKA Grand Sketch Painter

How to order:
Follow the instructions in the box to:

1. Enter contact details - child's name and class.
2. Select your brick colour
3. Select your font
4. Type the text you would like.
 - Max of 35 characters.
 - Text will be printed as typed.
 - Bricks are printed on one side only.
5. Make payment.

To order, please use the following link:
<https://www.zeffy.com/en-GB/ticketing/fathers-day-keyrings>

Orders close Friday 22nd May

Many thanks for your support!
Friends of Grangefield School

SPACE COURSE

Supporting Parents and Children Emotionally

All of us are shaped by our early childhood experiences — how we were cared for, supported, and responded to when we were growing up. These experiences can influence how we

- Respond to stress and pressure
- Manage strong emotions
- Relate to others, including our children

SPACE course is a 5 week programme for parents/carers of children aged 7-11 years.
1 session for parents/carers a week and 1 session for children 7-11yrs a week.

If you are unsure whether SPACE is right for your family, we are happy to talk it through. Contact us on: Holly.Russell@aspirefoundation.org.uk

Come along to gain skills in managing yours and your childrens emotions and developing resilience.
The parent-child connection is the most powerful mental health intervention in the world. (Bessel van der Kolk)

Adults sessions:
Thursday's 9.30am - 11am
Starting on 4th June
 Noahs Ark Children and Family Centre, GL20 5HU

Childrens sessions:
Tuesday's 3.30-4.30pm
Starting on 9th June
 Noahs Ark Children and Family Centre, GL20 5HU
Parents can stay at the centre



To book a place please scan the QR code or see link below



<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/Gu4xGNUA57>



Additional Support Courses for Parents

Three new courses offered by Face, separate from the school membership.

Full access to all three courses for £6.99/month

Complete at your own pace, cancel anytime.



Building Emotional Resilience

Work through six stages of directed exercises to help your child (and yourself) improve emotional resilience.



Facing Defiance

A specific strategy aimed at supporting parents of children aged 5 to 12 with ADHD, ODD or just very challenging behaviour.



You & Your Teen

A skills building course for one parent and one teen (12 years old and above) to learn how they can both improve their communication with each other.

www.facefamilyadvice.co.uk
Online Courses for Parents page
info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk



Sensory Needs and Behaviours: Strategies for Everyday Success



When: 6th of May at 1pm

Duration: Approximately 60 minutes

All children make sense of the world through their senses. For many, this happens fairly smoothly - they might notice when a place feels crowded or noisy, or when a piece of clothing feels a bit scratchy, but they can still join in and enjoy what's happening around them.

For other children, the sensory information coming in can feel confusing, overwhelming, unpredictable, or even painful. Their sensory experiences are often much more intense which can lead to meltdowns, aggression, lack of concentration or what looks like defiance when in reality they are struggling to cope. If this sounds like your child and you'd like to find out more about how senses can impact behaviour, emotions and learning, our next webinar is the right place for you. This webinar will help you understand another piece of the puzzle that contributes to your child's behaviour and give you practical tools to use straight away.

To help you answer these questions, our next session will be focusing on:

- The different sensory systems and how they shape your child's daily experiences
- Sensory seeking and sensory avoidant behaviours - what they look like and why they happen
- The difference between sensory needs and preferences and why this distinction matters
- Everyday, realistic strategies to support regulation, reduce overwhelm, and help your child feel safe, supported and able to enjoy activities.

This webinar will be delivered by Marijana Filipovic-Carter, Head of Family Support and Sensory Needs Practitioner from Move-More. You'll leave with a clearer understanding of your child's sensory world and a toolkit of simple, effective approaches you can use at home, in school, and out in the community.

How do you sign up for the online session?

To register for this online session, please follow this link:

<https://www.move-more.org/events/parent-webinar-sensory-needs-and-behaviours/>

It will take you to our website where you will be asked to answer a few simple questions. We would encourage you to register even though you might not be able to attend the session live, as all registered participants will receive a recording of the session to watch in their own time.

I've signed up: what happens next?

Once you complete our short registration form, you will be registered for the online session. You will automatically receive an invitation for the zoom session. If you don't hear from us by the 27th of April, don't hesitate to contact Marijana on marijana@move-more.org. Please make sure you check your junk/spam folders.

WWW.MOVE-MORE.ORG/FAMILY-ZONE



PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE'S PLAY RANGERS

SUMMER COMMUNITY PLAY DAYS

Play Rangers and other activities 10am-4pm at Bishops Cleeve Sports Field, closest postcode GL52 8LZ [///dots.small.tribe](https://www.dots.small.tribe)

Tuesday 21st July
Wednesday 22nd July
Monday 27th July
Wednesday 5th August
Thursday 6th August
Monday 10th August
Tuesday 11th August
Wednesday 19th August

Some activities will have a restriction on age/height/user numbers, details will be publicised at event

With thanks to Bishops Cleeve Parish Council for funding these days

Our Play Ranger activities take place outdoors in all weathers and are open access. This means there is no registration, children are free to come & go as they please.

Our Activities are aimed at school aged children. Under 8's are welcome and should be accompanied by an adult.

We believe all children have the right to play. Please talk to us if your child needs additional support to enjoy Play Rangers. We welcome disabled children & their families.

Play Gloucestershire
 Transforming lives through the power of play
www.playgloucestershire.org.uk
[playgloucestershire](https://www.facebook.com/playgloucestershire)

1.5 mile run through beautiful NT woodland

FUN RUN

£6 entry - medals for all runners

Sunday 10th May

Run starts at 10am from Sherborne C of E Primary School, GL54 3DH

Come along and enjoy a fun family morning

Lots of great prizes, BBQ, tea & cakes!

Book your entry at Race Nation

in association with National Trust
 Proceeds to FOSS charity



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Open Evening

Thursday 4 June 2026
5:00pm – 7:00pm

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Year 7
Admission
September
2027



Unlock Your Potential

Talk from the Principal at 6pm in the main hall.



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May 2026 Timetable

All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long
£24 each or FREE with School Membership

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk
Recordings available for 48 hours

School Anxiety	4 May 10am
Understanding Anger	4 May 7pm
Facing Defiance	5 May 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	5 May 7pm
Cannabis and Ketamine Awareness	11 May 10am
Anxiety Explained	11 May 7pm
Introduction to OCD	12 May 10am
What is ACT?	12 May 7pm
Decreasing Depression	18 May 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	18 May 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	19 May 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	19 May 7pm
Autism: Improving Communication	25 May 10am
Improving Family Communication	25 May 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	26 May 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	26 May 7pm
FREE Getting a Good Nights Sleep	28 May 7-8pm

BE A PART OF HISTORY!

SUNDAY 14th JUNE 2026

"ON YOUR BIKE"

Christening the New Cheltenham to Bishops Cleeve Cycle Path

Join 1000+ riders of all ages and abilities as we celebrate our brand-new cycle spine!
Whether you're the youngest, the oldest, or the best dressed—we want to see you there.

- START:** From 11:30 – 13:30 at Pittville Park (next to the Prince of Wales Stadium).
 - Free bike safety checks by The Charity Bike Shop.
 - Watch Cheltenham Town Wheelers on their off-road course.
- THE ROUTE:** A scenic ride across the Park, Central Cross Café, the Lake, the Aviary, the Racecourse, the Steam Railway and the BMX Pump Track.
 - Collect stamps along the way to prove you rode the route!
 - Look out for Gerry McGarr on his Penny Farthing!
- FINISH:** 12:00 – 15:00 at Tithe Barn Car Park & Bishops Cleeve Street Fair.
 - Free bike minor repairs courtesy of Williams Cycles

BISHOPS CLEEVE STREET FAIR

A massive celebration for the whole family!

Live Band • Fun Fair • Food Carts • Vintage Cars • Teddy Bear Parachute • Dance Show • Stalls & Raffle

PLUS: Visit the Wheel Good Vibes stall and enter for **THE CHANCE TO WIN AN E-BIKE!**

WHY RIDE?

We are raising funds for two incredible local cycling causes:

- The Charity Bike Shop (Cyclists Fighting Cancer)
- Wheel Good Vibes



SCHOOLS & CLUBS: Wear your colours! We want to see the 900+ students who took part in Bikeability Maintenance checks out on their wheels.

WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

To book a stall or advertise: information.bcsf@gmail.com
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