

# COMMUNITY LINKS



## FINLAY NEWS

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FREE activities and Summer fun can be found  
at [www.glosfamiliesdirectory.org.uk](http://www.glosfamiliesdirectory.org.uk)

### Playground

Just a few polite reminders; Please can you ensure that everyone waits until they leave the school gates to ride on scooters, bikes or hover boards. We don't want any accidents. Also, smoking or vaping is not permitted on the school grounds. Dogs are also not permitted on the playground. Thank you for your continued support.

### DONATIONS

Could Reception Red and Blue please have any old children's wellies for the children to use in the Learning Garden. Also, they are requesting any old kitchen utensils or equipment to use in the mud kitchen, for example, any old microwaves, pots, pans, spoons or mixing utensils etc.

Thank you—Kate Rudge and Francesca Preedy

### Coffee Time

Coffee will now be on a Tuesday Morning, 9.00—10.15. Starting 18th February.

Please enter the Hub through the main entrance NOT the Library door. All are welcome, we look forward to seeing you there.

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are officially half way through the year!

Firstly we would like to congratulate Mrs. Williams on her new arrival.

Evan Harry Williams was born on Wednesday 8th February. He was 8lb13 and born at 7.48 in the morning. Mum and baby are both doing really well.

It has been a pleasure to see so many parents attending class assemblies, open afternoons and helping with trips so far this year. The children love your support and being able to show off to you about everything they have learned so far.

Thank you for supporting our FoF disco, we raised a fantastic £581 so watch this space for how we will be using the funds.

Thank you to anyone who donated some clothing—it is all going towards a very good cause and thank you to Mrs. Kirby for organising.

We hope you have a lovely half term and the children are back on Monday 20th February for the start of Term 4.

Thank you for your continued support,

Rachel Lane and Ollie Tuck

# UPDATES:

## School Council

WORLD BOOK DAY  
Thursday 2nd March

Please come to school dressed as your favourite book character. School Council will be giving prizes to the best dressed children in each class—a boy and a girl.

One of the activities for World Book Day will be a Readathon—more information to follow.

Look out for a letter with details about the Book Fair coming soon starting on Thursday 9th March.

### Trips

We have had lots of trips happening this term...

Both Reception classes visited the Sherborne Cinema for an authentic, cinematic experience.

Year 1 had their very own puppet show come to visit in preparation for their own performance to the parents.

Both Y4 classes have visited Slimbridge and despite the weather they had a fantastic time.

Y6 visited Puzzlewood film studios to learn what it is like to work on set!

### Football

Once again the B Team Boys were in action at Oxstalls Sports Centre. This time the results were even better with only one loss, two draws and a brilliant victory. Everyone did an amazing job, played with a smile on their face and they did themselves and the school proud. A huge well done to: Mason, Chris, Murreaise and Blake from Year 6. Adam, Shaun, Caden and Tyler from Year 5 and Jacob from Year 4.

### Attendance - At School, On Time, Every Day

Displayed are the attendance percentages for every year group. It is important that your child is at school, on time, every day. Every class looks at their own individual attendance in assembly on a Tuesday. The class with the best attendance at the end of the year will receive a special reward!

The class with the highest attendance so far this term is:

**YEAR 5 with 98%**

The class with the lowest attendance so far this term is:

**Reception Blue with 95%**

The whole school target is 96%

Whole school attendance is currently:

**97% so KEEP IT UP!**

Class	Whole Year
Rec R	97%
Rec B	95%
Y1	95%
Y2	97%
Y3	98%
Y4G	97%
Y4Y	98%
Y5	98%
Y6K	96%
Y6M	98%

### Trips

Y5 visited Patisserie Valerie to experience afternoon tea which they thoroughly enjoyed. They are looking forward to hosting afternoon tea for their parents and family next term.



### FEBRUARY

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup>** – Last day of term (3pm finish)

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup>** – Children back at school – TERM 4

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Year 3 Open Afternoon

### MARCH

**Thursday 2nd**—World Bok Day

**Friday 10th**—Y3 Class Assembly

**Wednesday 15th**—Y6 Open Afternoon

**Thursday 23rd**—Special Person's Lunch

**Thursday 23rd**—Easer Assembly

**Friday 24th**—Comic Relief