

TUTSHILL C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Love One Another, Know Ourselves, Believe and Grow'

NEWSLETTER - 22nd May, 2026





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REMINDERS...

- We would like to remind families that fidget toys and toys of any kind are not permitted in school. Recently, a number of children have been bringing these items into school and using them during breaktimes, lunchtimes and even during lessons. Unfortunately, this has led to disruption, distraction and, in some cases, upset between children. We recognise that focus tools can, at times, be beneficial in supporting regulation and concentration, helping some children to access their learning more successfully. Where this is necessary, appropriate resources are provided by school staff and used in a purposeful and supervised way. Therefore, there is no need for children to bring their own fidget toys or other toys into school. We would appreciate your support in ensuring these items remain at home. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.
- Payments School lunch bookings . Please ensure your child's school meal is booked in advance of the day, preferably a week ahead.
- As we move into the summer term, we would be grateful for your support in providing your child with a sun-hat and sun-cream for use in school. The children will need to administer the sun-cream themselves. Please also ensure that your child has a water bottle in school for use with water only.
- If your child suffers from hay fever, please inform school by completing one of our "Healthcare Plan for a Pupil with Medical Needs" forms (which can be collected from the school office) and confirm whether your child should be kept indoors at play-

time and lunch-time. All children will be sent out to play on our main field, weather permitting, unless we receive your confirmation that they are to be kept indoors for supervised play. There is not an option of being kept on the playground if the school is on the field, due to the number of staff that we have. The school's usual administration of medication policy applies to hay fever remedies. We can only administer prescribed medication with its original pharmacist's dispensing label (specific to the child) complete with dosage instructions. Please visit the school office to collect a form if appropriate.

- 25-29th May - Half-Term
- 1st June - INSET Day

ATTENDANCE



School Attendance

As part of our attendance drive, if you arrive after the school gate closes in the morning at 8:45am, parents will need to complete a late slip before your child is able to come into school. Please contact Deb Cornes or email attendance@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk¹ if your child will be absent by 9:15am. Morning registration takes place at 8.45am and afternoon registration takes place at 1 pm.

A Request for Leave during Term-Time form **must** be completed and returned to the school office if you intend to take your child(ren) out of school during term-time. The request will be considered and authorised/unauthorised by Headteacher. This should be completed **prior** to any absence. Hard copies of form are in the Reception area. A copy can be emailed if requested.

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PTA



Pre-Loved Uniform

The school's pre-loved uniform site is fully up and running. Before you think of buying new, why not check our extensive inventory? It's so easy to use - just go to <https://uniformerly.co.uk>² and register if you're a first-time user. Then add items to your

²<https://uniformerly.co.uk/>

basket, pay online, and they'll be waiting for you at the school office, usually within 48 hours.

If you have items to donate, please drop them at the school office. Thank you.

Please come and collect orders from the School Office. We do have some waiting to be collected.

Summer Term 2 Clubs 2026



<https://youtu.be/NGSApzzLDca>

We have some exciting clubs planned for next term. Here is a list of the clubs that we will be offering. **They will start in the week commencing 1st June.** Please be aware Monday, 1st June is an INSET Day. Please see the grid below for specific dates. Bookings are now open in Parent Play. There are some places on some Clubs still available. Art Club will be taking place on Monday and Thursday afternoons and will be open for children in Year One to Year Six. This takes place from 3.15pm until 4.15pm. Each session costs £6..

DAY	AM/PM	TIME	DETAILS	DATES	YEAR GROUPS AND SPACES
Monday	PM	3.15 – 4.15	Bushcraft (£5 per session - £25 in total)	8 th /15 th /22 nd /29 th June 6 th July	Key Stage Two 10 spaces
Monday	PM	3.15 – 4	Cookery (£2 per session - £10 in total)	8 th /15 th /22 nd /29 th June 6 th July	Reception and Year Six 20 spaces
Tuesday	PM	3.15 – 4	Nature Detectives (£2 per session - £12 in total)	2 nd /9 th /16 th /23 rd /30 th June 7 th July	Reception, Year One and Year Two 12 spaces
Tuesday	PM	3.15 – 4	Unconventional Sports — Sporting activities with a difference. Activities will include: ultimate frisbee, archery, bocchia, foot golf and darts. (£2 per session - £12 in total)	2 nd /9 th /16 th /23 rd /30 th June 7 th July	Key Stage Two 16 spaces
Tuesday	PM	3.15 – 4.15	Bushcraft (£5 per session - £30 in total)	2 nd /9 th /16 th /23 rd /30 th June 7 th July	Key Stage Two 10 spaces
Wednesday	AM	8.10 -8.40	Outdoor Gym and Table Tennis Club (£2 per session - £12 in total)	3rd/10 th /17 th /24 th June 1 st /8 th July	Year One – Year Six 16 spaces
Wednesday	PM	3.15 – 4	Board/Outdoor Playground Games (£2 per session - £12 in total)	3rd/10 th /17 th /24 th June 1 st /8 th July	Year One – Year Six 16 spaces
Thursday	AM	8.10 -8.40	Lego and Construction Club (£2 per session - £12 in total)	4th/11 th /18 th /25 th June 2nd/9 th July	Year One – Year Six 16 spaces
Thursday	PM	3.15 – 4	Summer Sports Club — cricket, beanbag games, parachute play, relay races. (£2 per session - £12 in total)	4th/11 th /18 th /25 th June 2nd/9 th July	Year One and Year Two 16 spaces
Friday	AM	8.10 -8.40	Cross Country Running Club (£2 per session - £12 in total)	5th/12 th /19 th /26 th June 3rd/10 th July	Year One – Year Six 16 spaces
Friday	PM	3.15 – 4	Sports Variety Club — each week will involve a different sport: for example:- rounders, cricket, tennis, athletics (£2 per session - £12 in total)	5th/12 th /19 th /26 th June 3rd/10 th July	Key Stage Two 16 spaces

Sporting Events



1 - Mini-Marathon - It wasn't just the children who had fun!

Mini London Marathon

On Saturday 25th April, a group of our children proudly took part in the **Mini London Marathon 2026**, alongside pupils from **Tutshill** and what an incredible experience it was for everyone involved.

It was a truly fantastic event, filled with excitement, energy and community spirit. Our children showed great enthusiasm, determination and teamwork, and they were a real credit to the school throughout the day. We were also so proud of the parents and carers who supported the event and helped represent our school so positively.

Everyone had a wonderful time, from the build-up to the race itself and the smiles said it all. It was wonderful to see the children challenging themselves, cheering one another on and enjoying being part of such a well-organised and inspiring event.

A huge thank you to all the families who took part and supported the day. We thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Thank you to all of the families who came along to support the event.

Tennis Fun Festival -

A message from Dene Magna -

'Just to thank all the schools for signing up for our fun tennis festival in April at Dene Magna The pupils attending seemed to have some fun, learn some new skills & give it a go, picking up tips along the way, which was the main aim of the sessions'.

As a school we have very strong links with Forest of Dean School Games Organiser and this enables us to offer our children lots of different sports to try out, have fun and learn new skills.

Thank you to all parents/carers who provide transport and support these events.

CLASS NEWS



SUMMER TERM 2

PE Days:

Monday pm: Year 4

Tuesday: Reception, Year 5

Wednesday: Reception, Year 1, Year 6, Year 5

Thursday: Year 3, Year 6, Year 2, Year 1

Class 5- Bikeability!



Year 5 had a fantastic time taking part in Bikeability this term and showed great enthusiasm throughout the sessions. They developed their cycling skills, road awareness, and confidence, learning how to ride safely in real traffic conditions. The instructors were very impressed with their focus and positive attitudes each day. We are incredibly proud to share that every pupil successfully passed Level 2, demonstrating excellent control, teamwork, and responsibility on the roads. Well done to all of Year 5 for their hard work and determination—what an amazing achievement!



2 - Summer Role Play Resources

We would love to receive role play resources with a summer theme!

For example - suitcases/bags (children size), sunglasses, shirts/shorts/dresses, hats, beach towels (2 required), games, pop-up tent (not too big) it would be great if anyone has got one they no longer use.

Thank you in anticipation!

Pro Stars Clubs



FOREST OF DEAN SCHOOLS
F.O.D.S

MAY HALF TERM FOOTBALL CAMP

VENUES Wyedean School / Freedom Leisure Lydney
TIMINGS 9:00am – 3:00pm
AGES 5 – 12 years
PRICE £20 per day (10% discount for **District & Wildcats** players)
DATES Tuesday 26th May · Wednesday 27th May · Thursday 28th May

WEDNESDAY THEME – STREET SOCCER

A fast-paced day of skills, flair & creativity

What to expect:	Prizes:
Skills & Tricks	Street King / Queen
1v1 Battles	Best Skills
Panna & Nutmegs	Best Goal
Street Tournament	Best Celebration

Whether your child loves **SKILLS, SCORING GOALS,** or just playing with friends – this is a day not to miss!

BOOK NOW
Prostars.ipalbookings.com
 07444 436637
mark@prostars-fse.com

3 - Details of May Half Term Football Camp

Bookings for School Holiday Sports Club during the Summer Holidays will open at Midday Wednesday, 3rd June, 2026.

Diary Dates May 2026 – July 2026



MONTH	DATE	EVENT
	22	End of Summer 1 Term 5
	25	Bank Holiday
	26-29	Half Term
June	1	Inset Day – No pupils on site
	2	Start of Summer 2 Term 6
	3	Reception Trip to The Bristol Zoo Project
	4	Year 6 Parents Residential Meeting (5.00 p.m. Tutshill School)
	9	Y6 Gloucester Cathedral Leavers Service
	15-26	Eco Awareness Fortnight
	16	Y1 and Y2 Trip to The Bristol Zoo Project
	22	Y6 Information Evening (5.00 p.m. Wyedean School)
	24	Y6 Transition Days (Wyedean School)
	26	PTA Summer Fayre Sports Day
	30	Y4 Viola Performance (9.30 a.m. Tutshill School)
	30	Five Acres High School Year 6 Welcome Day
July	1	Five Acres High School Year 6 Welcome Day
	2	Denmark Road High School Rising Year 7 Day
	1-3	Y6 Residential
	7&8	Chepstow Comprehensive School Y6 Transition Days
	7	Y5 Taster Day (Wyedean School)
	9	Y6 Leavers Production at Woodcroft Christian Centre (6.00 p.m.)
	14	Reception End of Year Celebration
	17	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.15 a.m.
	17	End of Summer 2 Term 6

School Contact Details



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Community Page



Lots of things going on in the Community -



Forest Young Photographer Competition



A message from Rotary Club of the Royal Forest of Dean

I should be grateful if you could promote this new competition for school age children in the Forest of Dean, perhaps by posting it in the school newsletter or parents page on your website.

This is a free to enter competition aimed at giving pupils a chance to perhaps develop different interests, and promoting interest in our local area.

The Rotary Club is always keen to engage with schools , please do contact us if you have any queries

Please find a poster attached for your use. If you need it in a different format, please let me know.

Thanking you in anticipation of your help

Ian Storrar

Club Secretary, Rotary Club of the Royal Forest of Dean

competition web-site

<https://www.rotary-rfod.org.uk/photocomp.php>



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WEDNESDAY 27TH MAY

10AM TO 11.30AM



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£1 PER CHILD

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OR CALL 01684 297174

Flower and Arts Festival



Friends of Tidenham Church

'Hobbies' St. Mary and St. Peter's Church Tidenham NP16 7JQ - Friday, 5th June - Sunday, 7th June - 2-4 p.m.

Come and admire the flowers and the art work and enjoy a cup of tea and a chat.



4 - Gloucestershire Gateway Trust in partnership with Gloucestershire Parent Carer Forum

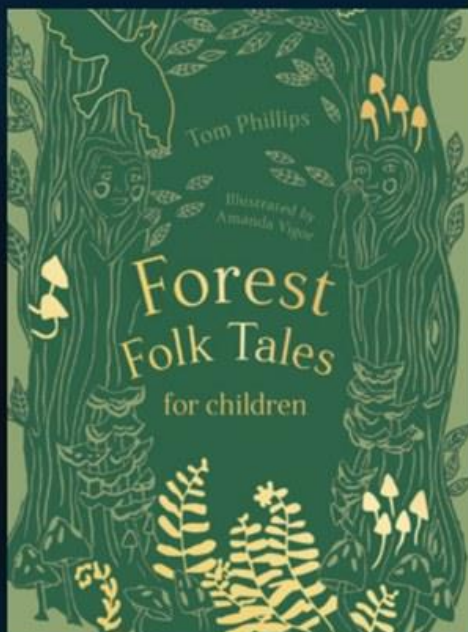
Upcoming Support Groups/Events -

- For Parents Carers of children with Additional Needs (With or Without a Diagnosis). A friendly and safe space run by Parent Carers, enjoy a hot drink and a friendly chat, share experiences and find support. *Every second Monday of every month - 1.00 - 2.00 p.m. at River Children and Family Centre, Naas Lane, Lydney. GL15 5AU.*
- Peer Support Coffee Morning - For Parents Carers of children with Additional Needs (With or Without a Diagnosis). A friendly and safe space run by Parent Carers, enjoy a hot drink and a friendly chat, share experiences and find support. *Every third Wednesday of every month - 10.00 am - 11.30 a.m. at Hilltop Children and Family Centre, Latimer Road, Cinderford. GL14 2QA.*



TEWKESBURY
HISTORY
FESTIVAL

Thursday 18th - Sunday 21st June



**Storytelling: Forest
Folk Tales for
Children**
**Sunday 21st June at
11am**

**Children £8
Adults £2.50**

The Watson Hall

**One of twenty-one fabulous
speakers, including
Suzannah Lipscomb,
Alison Weir and lots more!**



Community Breakfast Club

WEDNESDAY
27 MAY



Sedbury Village Hall
at
9:00 to 10:30
Sportily 10-11:30am

Come and join us for a free breakfast, with free kids games from 10am with Sportily. Free packed lunch for children to take home. All children must be accompanied by an adult.



5 - Community Breakfast Club - Sedbury



For your information there is a funeral service on 3rd June at 3 p.m. at St. Luke's Church. Parking is likely to be difficult and the roads busy.