



# TUTSHILL C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## NEWSLETTER Mid Term Spring 2

### REMINDERS...

PE days for this term:

Reception: Monday and Thursday

Year One: Wednesday and Friday

Year Two: Wednesday and Friday

Year Three: Wednesday and Friday

Year Four: Tuesday and Friday

Year Five: Wednesday and Thursday

Year Six: Tuesday and Thursday/Friday

### Residential Year 6 – Croft Farm

We would like to remind parents that balances are due to be paid by 30<sup>th</sup> April, you are able to make instalments via the ParentPay website.

### World Maths Day 2025

To celebrate World Maths Day 2025, which this year has the theme 'Maths for Everyone', we would like to invite parents and carers to come and join in a problem-solving session with their child in class! Parents and carers will have the chance to see how children use problem-solving and reasoning strategies and can work alongside their children to solve problems.

The timings of the sessions are as follows:

**Tuesday 25th March:** Year One, Year Four and Year Five

**Wednesday 26th March:** Year Two and Year Three

**Thursday 27th March:** Reception Class and Year Six.

We look forward to seeing you there!



**Matt Davies**  
Children's Author



[www.mattdaviesauthor.com](http://www.mattdaviesauthor.com)

The author Matt Davies will be visiting Tutshill on **Friday 28th March** to talk about being an author and to talk about his new book "Inspector Earwig & The Garden Thief". More details will follow.

**MATT DAVIES**  
Children's Author

Inspector Earwig & The Garden Thief  
Written by Matt Davies  
Illustrated by Vanessa Wright

★★★★★  
"A great story with vibrant illustrations and great characters. My 3-year-old loves it, it's his new favourite bedtime story!"

★★★★★  
"Love this book! My 2-year-old absolutely loves the story and the pictures."

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## French Focus

Every half term, we are focusing on a different French word or phrase to help us embed key language as well as to use French more frequently, both in the classroom (such as during the register) and around the school more generally. Please find attached to the newsletter an overview for the year.

Our focus for this half term is 'Quel âge as-tu?' (How old are you?). This question is answered with 'J'ai \_\_\_ans.' (I am \_\_\_ years old) OR children can simply answer with a number if they are less confident.

If you would like to practise the French Focus question and answer for this half term at home, you could use these links: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=huAuWtRzDY> (to recap numbers 1-20), <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4WksvcV6vU0> (a song with the question and answer) and <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zjcbjrj6/articles/zgnwr2p> (BBC bitesize learning).

Our Language Leaders from Year 6 will be leading the use of the French Focus around the school. They will greet the children in French and will also use the French Focus to ask them how old they are. We hope this means that we will hear lots more French around the school! Parents and carers are also more than welcome to join in – Merci!

## French Focus – Termly Words and Phrases

Please try to use the focus words throughout the week, e.g. during registration, in the corridors or at other appropriate times of the day.

Term & Focus	Example words and phrases	Meaning
Autumn 1 Greetings	Bonjour/Salut	Hello/Hi
Autumn 2 What is your name?	Comment tu t'appelles ? OR Comment t'appelles-tu ? Je m'appelle...	What is your name?  My name is...
Spring 1 How are you?	Ça va? OR Comment ça va ? Ça va très bien, Ça va bien, Comme ci comme ça, Ça ne va pas, Ça va mal.	How are you? Very well, well, so-so, not so good, bad.
Spring 2 How old are you?	Quel âge astu ? J'ai ...ans.	How old are you? I am ... years old.
Summer 1 Where do you live?	Où habites-tu ? J'habite à ...	Where do you live? I live in... (town/city)
Summer 2 Do you like...?	Tu aimes...? J'aime.../Je n'aime pas	Do you like...? I like.../I don't like

## 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 Mrs Joubert or email [attendance@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk) if your child will be absent by 9:15am. Morning registration takes place at 8.45am and afternoon registration takes place at 1/1:15pm.

Attendance to date:

Class	Attendance %	Late Marks
Reception	95.7%	11
Year 1	97.1%	12
Year 2	96.3%	18
Year 3	97.8%	13
Year 4	95.6%	13
Year 5	96.0%	16
Year 6	95.4%	15
Whole School	96.3%	98
National	94.8%	
Local Authority	94.8%	

## School Contact Details

Telephone: 01291 622593

Email: [office@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:office@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk)

Attendance: [attendance@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk)

PTA email: [ptatutshill@gmail.com](mailto:ptatutshill@gmail.com)

## Community Leaflets

Please click on community on our website to see the latest news and events.

<https://www.tutshillcofeschool.co.uk/>

## Contact Information

Please ensure you advise the School Office of any changes to your contact details. It is vital that we have your up to date information for all correspondence purposes and in case of emergency. Please email any changes to [office@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:office@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk)

## Cool Club Contact Details

If you need to contact Cool Club regarding the breakfast or the after-school club, parents can do so by email at [coolclub15@outlook.com](mailto:coolclub15@outlook.com) or by their contact phone number on 07763 479119.



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MONTH	DATE	EVENT
March	25	Maths Y1, Y4, Y5
	26	Maths Y2, Y3
	27	Maths Rec, Y6 (9-9.30am)
March	25	Short Phonics Screening check info meeting Y1
	28	Matt Davies author visit
April	11	<b>Term 4 end</b> Easter Service St Luke's Easter Bonnet Parade
	28	<b>Term 5 begin</b>
May	5	Bank Holiday
	6	Y4 Dean Heritage Centre
	7	Photographs Rec, Y1, Y5, Y6
	9	Y5 Skillzone
	19	K'nex final Y6 (12.40-2.45pm)
	21	Disco
	23	<b>Term 5 end</b>
June	2	INSET Day
	3	<b>Term 6 Begin</b>
	4	New Starters evening meeting
	6	Y5 Cheltenham Science Festival
	10&11	New Starters Home Visit
	11	Y3 Caerleon Museum
	12	Gloucester Cathedral Leavers Service
	13	Colour Run
	24&25	New Starters Stay & Play
	24&25	Moving up days Wyedean School
	27	Sports Day Summer Fayre
	28	Colour run
July	2-4	Y6 Residential Croft Farm
	3	Y4 Chepstow Castle
	8-10	Y5 Wyedean School Taster Day
	18	<b>Term 6 End</b>

### Spring Term Two Extra-Curricular Clubs

Monday	3.15 – 4pm	<b>Cookery</b> 24 <sup>th</sup> March 31 <sup>st</sup> March 7 <sup>th</sup> April	Year Six and Reception
Monday	3.15 – 4.15pm	<b>Bushcraft</b> 24 <sup>th</sup> March 31 <sup>st</sup> March 7 <sup>th</sup> April	Year Three Year Four, Year Five, Year Six
Tuesday	3.15 – 4pm	<b>Computing</b> 25 <sup>th</sup> March 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Reception, Year One, Year Two
Tuesday	3.15 – 4pm	<b>Netball</b> 25 <sup>th</sup> March 1 <sup>st</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> April	Year Three and Year Four
Tuesday	3.15 – 4.15pm	<b>Bushcraft</b> 25 <sup>th</sup> March 1 <sup>st</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> April	Year Three Year Four, Year Five, Year Six
Wednesday am	8.10 - 8.40am	<b>Outdoor Gym</b> 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Year One – Year Six
Thursday am	8.10 - 8.40am	<b>Yoga</b> 27 <sup>th</sup> March 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Year One – Year Six
Thursday	3.15 – 4pm	<b>Football</b> 27 <sup>th</sup> March 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Year Five and Year Six
Friday am	8.10 - 8.40am	<b>Fun Circuits</b> 28 <sup>th</sup> March 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Year One – Year Six
Friday	3.15 – 4pm	<b>Hockey</b> (plastic sticks) 28 <sup>th</sup> March 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Year Two and Year Three
Friday	3.15 – 4.15pm	<b>Boogie Bounce</b> 28 <sup>th</sup> March 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Reception and Year One







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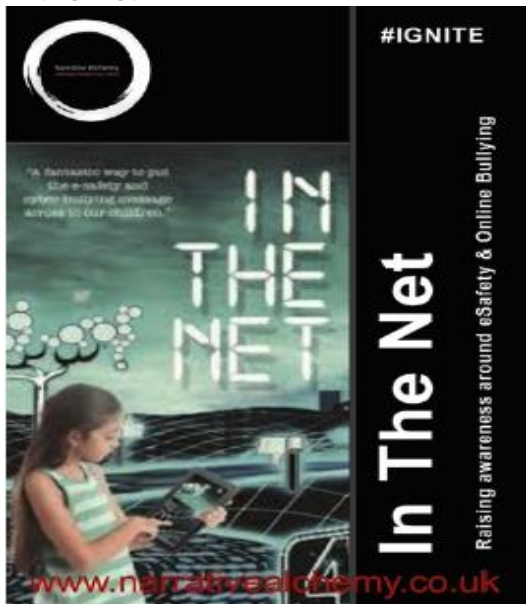
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## Y6 K'nex Challenge



Y6 children thoroughly enjoyed the K'nex workshop that took place on Thursday, 13 February 2025. Children were challenged to solve an engineering problem using their STEM skills. Working in teams of two they were tasked with designing and building a lifting machine to help the engineers at Reneshaw. Our winners will represent the school at the finals on the 19 May 2025 competing against the other 100 schools from across Gloucestershire. More information is available on [www.stemworks.co.uk](http://www.stemworks.co.uk)

## In the Net Y4



Year 4 pupils visited Severnbanks Primary School to attend the In the Net event on the Tuesday 25 February. Children learned about safety and online bullying. They thoroughly enjoyed this educational trip.

## Holiday Sports Club

Prostars is running a holiday sports club which parents can book on ParentPay, bookings close Friday, 11 April 2025, spaces are limited: minimum age 5

Tuesday	15 April 2025	22 April 2025
Wednesday	16 April 2025	23 April 2025
Thursday	17 April 2025	24 April 2025



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## Information for Families

All parents, carers and young people can make use of this section. Here you will find a wide range of resources, information, advice and guidance on issues affecting family life.

- **Early Help** - access to a range of services that can offer support and advice to children, families and practitioner as soon as difficulties begin to emerge.
- **Childcare** - Free to access details on Ofsted registered childcare providers, their contact details and funding information.
- **Things to do** - Upcoming events and ongoing local activities.
- **Best Start** - Pregnancy to an aged 5 child



## Support for Families With SEND

### Gloucestershire's Local Offer



If your child has special educational needs (SEN) or a disability, you can find out about the further support available using 'Support for Families with SEND'.

Part of the Glosfamilies directory, these webpages hold information about the support and services available for your child with additional needs in Gloucestershire.

The content is co-produced with parents and carers and aims to be accessible and inclusive for you and your family.

Give feedback by email:  
[localoffer@gloucestershire.gov.uk](mailto:localoffer@gloucestershire.gov.uk)

