

Newsletter 2—Autumn 1 - End of term review

We have already come to the end of a half term. This newsletter will update you on some of the key events and pupil achievements, as well as some key information for up-coming events.

A fond farewell goes to Teaching Assistant Mrs Wynn, who is moving to Cornwall. We wish her and her family all the best on their new adventure.

The last day of school this term is Thursday 18th October and the children will return on Monday 29th October.

We wish you all a wonderful break.

Harvest Festival

Well done to all of Years 1 and 2 children on their wonderful Harvest festival. Thank you to all those who generously donated food, which has been passed to the Gloucester Food Bank to help those in need.

FLU Vaccines

The flu immunisation programme has been extended nationally to include children in **Reception, years 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5** within schools. The vaccine is given via a nasal spray (not an injection) and will be delivered by trained nurses in the school setting. Nurses are scheduled to visit **Waterwells on Thursday 1st November**. You must have completed the consent form for your child to receive the immunisation. The online consent form and further information can be found at:

<https://www.glos-care.nhs.uk/our-services/children-young-people/immunisation>

Parents' Evenings

Parents' evenings will take place on Monday 5th and Tuesday 6th November.

How to book a parents' evening appointment

Parents' evening appointments are booked online. Please ensure we hold up-to-date contact details for you to enable this system to work.

On Friday 19th November:

- You will receive a text and e-mail (if you have provided us with one) with a link to sign up for your child/children's parents' evening. You will only need to use one of these methods to sign up.
- Click the link. The system is secure and your link is personalised for your child/children.
- You will be directed to the login page.
- Enter your child's name.
- You will then be able to see the available time slots.
- Select your time slot.
- You will receive confirmation of your booking (time and day) and will also be notified/reminded the day before your appointment.
- You can continue to use the link to login again at any point to amend the booking if needed.
- Parents with more than one child in school can access all their children from the one link and login page to help with coordinating appointment times.

If you are unable to access the link or do not receive it, please contact the main school office who can investigate and check the contact details we hold for you. Appointments can be manually booked at the office if required.



GOOD NEWS!



Congratulations to the children who have earned themselves an end of term BEST certificate. Well done!

R Wren	Seren Lexi Sharan Rose Zachary	R Robin	Aziz Korben Sidney Saffron Serenity	1 Penguin	Isabelle S Chineye Ben Sam Zoe	1 Puffin	Henry Isabelle P Florence Milena Alfie
2 Kingfisher	Lili Harper Lily-Star Kyran Cody B	2 Flamingo	Adam Logan Megan Nevaeh Reuben	3 Heron	Abigail Isaac Amy-Lee Adam	3 Crane	James Natasha Jayden P Josh Taylor-Mai
4 Raven	Fola Aaron Shantiana Aiden Julia	4 Starling	Beau Ella Olivier G Oliver W Rebecca	5 Skylark	Chloe Leonita Nathan Rosie Syd	5 Swift	Dan Harvey Alyse Ibhaluko Lemeki
6 Owl	Alfie Chanan Charley Jay Taiya	<p>BEST REWARD</p> <p>The house that earned the most BEST points this half-term was WHITLEY!</p> <p>Well done Whitley!</p>					

Sports Round Up

After a fairly relaxed first couple of weeks' sport-wise, the fixtures and events have since been coming thick and fast! Years 2-6 welcomed Tim Knibbs, a local sports coach for a few days and had a brilliant time practising football skills and drills.

Girls' Football

The season is off to a slightly slower start, due to two schools pulling out of our league. This hasn't put the girls off though; a tough test against Hempsted Girls was a great initiation for the new members of the team. The girls fought back from 1-0 down at half time, to come away with a 1-1 draw, following a superb solo effort from our Sports Captain, Kathy-Kay. A special mention must go to Ibhalukho, our resolute goalkeeper for pulling off a string of sublime saves.

TEAM: Kathy-Kay, Leilani, Nevaeh, Summer, Kelly, Nadia, Simona & Ibhalukho.

Boys' Football

An equally relaxed start to the boys season; the Knock-Out Cup was cancelled due to a water leak at The Grange. We didn't mind too much though; a few weeks' extra practice can only be a good thing. We welcomed Brockworth two weeks ago and staged an awesome comeback from 1-3 down, to win 4-3. Last week was our first away game at Kings and Team Waterwells struggled on their huge pitch. A tough 8-0 loss with our strikers left ruing missed chances.

TEAM: Kathy-Kay, Kornel, Alfie, Leon, Lloyd, Xander, Olivier, Charles & Matthias.

Sports Round Up

Netball

The first game of the season saw us welcome the team from Finlay. A bright start saw Waterwells leading at the half-way point. Finlay launched an excellent comeback to steal the win 4-6. A great effort by all; especially those playing their first game.

TEAM: Kiri, Matthias, Lloyd, Kathy-Kay, Kosma, Summer & Rosie.

Trampoline Dodgeball

We learnt fairly early on last year that whilst this is advertised as a 'festival', in reality it's one of the most competitive events on the calendar! After an intense training session at school, the Waterwells 'Purples' and Waterwells 'Blues' were feeling fairly confident and they didn't disappoint! A huge 'well done' to all involved, especially to the 'Purples' who finished a fantastic 3rd overall. George was calculating the school throughout the event, informing me that 1st and 2nd position were tied with us just three points back! Agonising, but incredibly enjoyable!

TEAM: George, Sam, Henry, Jaydan, Leilani, Kathy-Kay, Simona, Alex, Nevaeh, Kornel, Matthias & Harvey.



Key Stage 1 Alternative Sports

Some of our Year 2 children had a fantastic time at the Alternative Sports Festival. They enjoyed space-hopper races, parachute games and target games.

TEAM: Aidan, Logan, Chloe, Reuben, Alyssa, Heath, Kyran & Charlie.

House Cross Country

The annual house cross country – met with dread initially by some while for others, it's the highlight of their sporting year! A combination of mud, sweat and (not too many) tears, combined with the inter-house competitiveness from children and teachers but more importantly, the perseverance, support and teamwork the children demonstrate really does shine through.

A huge well done to everyone who took part and earned points for their House, but a special 'CONGRATULATIONS' to members of the winning house **Spitfire!**

An additional 'CONGRATULATIONS' to the following children who, as a result of their performances, have been chosen to represent Waterwells at the Gloucester Schools' Cross Country Championships in November (more information will follow to parents about this event next term):

	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Boys	Loughlin	Josh	Sam	Harvey	Leon
	Adrian	Leo	Reece	Matthias	Jaydan
	Callum	Lucas	Romeo	Lloyd	George
	Kacper	Archie	Olivier G	Charles	Jay
	Corben	Kai	Jayden D	Kornel	Henry
Girls	Pixie	Faith	Shantiana	Izabela	Leilani
	Megan	Natasha	Lacey	Summer	Kathy-Kay
	Eghonghon	Samanta	Zofia	Tayla	Izzy
	Freya	Macy	Julia	Nevaeh	Simona
	Chloe	Taylor-Mai	Katerina	Leonita	Kelly