

Local Parish Mass Times	St Peter's	English Martyrs	St Augustine's
Saturday	6pm		6.30pm
Sunday	9am 10.30am 5.30pm	9am	11am

CURRICULUM INFORMATION

The table below details what your child will be learning from Monday

Year Group	Maths	English	Science
Reception	Counting Accurately	Writing the sounds we can hear in words	
Y1	+ and -	Writing about the teddy bear sleepover	Materials
Y2	Adding 2 digit numbers	Remembrance Poetry & Stories	Florence Nightingale & Germs
Y3	Multiplication and Division	Adventure Stories	Rocks and Soils
Y4	Perimeter	Setting Descriptions	Electricity
Y5	Angles	Shakespeare	Reversible and Irreversible Changes
Y6	Fractions	Historical Stories	Living Things and their habitats



IN NOVEMBER, WE REMEMBER

All in our school community are invited to put a cross of remembrance on our Remembrance Tree (on the Core Value display at the top of the Spiritual Space) for a loved one who has died. I found this on a website and thought it was a lovely way to take time to think about those we loved who have passed away:

Remember: Family and Friends who have died.

Remember: The love, the friendship, the good fun you were able to share with them.

Remember: All the good qualities they had, the things you admired about them. How many of these qualities do you have?

Remember: The challenges they faced, the difficulties they overcame. Were you able to support them when they needed it?

Remember: As Christians we acknowledge the presence of God in the life of each one of us and that each person will be rewarded by God for striving to do their best while on earth.

During November we say our special prayers for those who are dead – the 'Eternal rest' and 'May their souls' prayers are in the prayer section of your child's Home Learning diary. We would really appreciate it if you could say these 2 prayers with your child/ren every day. Thank you.

We will be selling poppies and wristbands before school starts and after school if anyone would like to donate.



SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

The school photographer will be in school on Monday 12th November. Remember to bring your brush and comb!



NEW APPROACH TO HOME READING

Teachers will be running parent workshops either as an early morning task or straight after school on the following dates:-

Reception – Monday 5th November 8:45am in classrooms

Year 1 - Tuesday 6th November 8:45am in classrooms

Year 2 - Wednesday 7th November 8:45am in classrooms

Year 3 & 4 - Tuesday 6th November 3:15pm in Spiritual Space

Year 5 & 6 – Thursday 8th November 3:15pm in Spiritual Space



WRITING COMPETITION

If you enjoyed our Wow Writing Week and fancy a go at entering a short story competition, this could be for you. Storytime magazine would like children to write a short story, in 50 words or less, about any subject they like and they'll choose the best one and publish it in Storytime. Not only that, but they'll win 50 issues of Storytime – every single magazine they've ever published, plus a winner's certificate. The competition is open for 3-9 year olds.

To enter, you can download an entry form from the link [here](#). Then either email your entries to hello@storytimemagazine.com or post them to the address on the form. The closing date is 30th Nov 2018, and there's more information plus T&Cs on our website [here](#).

Top Tips:

- Try to give your short story a beginning, a middle and an end.
- Go straight into the action.
- Endings with suspense or surprises work well with very short stories.
- Funny is good, but remember – you're telling a story, not just a joke!
- [Get more tips from our 50 Word Story pack, which you can download here.](#)



WATCHES

As part of the school uniform policy, children are allowed to wear a watch to school. These can be either analogue or digital, but must purely tell the time.

Fitbit style watches and other electronic, interactive watches with features such as cameras, step counters, computer games etc. are not permitted in school. Thank you for your support in this matter.



CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

Christmas is fast approaching and I am delighted to invite all children to get creative and try their hand at designing their own Christmas Card to be entered into the annual Hays Education Christmas Card Competition. There will be one winner selected from each region, who will receive £50 in vouchers towards art equipment for our school and framed copies of their artwork. In addition, one of the regional designs will be voted as the National winner. The overall winner will receive £250 in vouchers towards art equipment for our school and framed copies of their artwork. Entry forms can be collected from Mrs McGuinness and must be returned by Friday 9th November. Good Luck!



GOT A CHILD AGED 2-9? – FLU VACCINATION

Flu hits young children harder. Protect them from flu with one simple nasal spray. It's free, fast and painless. Parents with children in Reception and Years 1-5 will be asked to give consent for their child to receive this at school. For pre-school child vaccines call your GP Surgery. For further information go to Gloucestershireccg.nhs.uk/flu-free.



PFA UNIFORM SALE – EVERY WEDNESDAY

The PFA will be holding a school uniform sale between 3.00pm and 3.20pm in the Extended Services area every Wednesday.



PFA CLOTHING COLLECTION – 15th NOVEMBER

The date for our clothing collection is Thursday 15th November. Please donate any unwanted clothing, paired shoes, handbags and belts and bring them into school. Last time we raised £30 but I'm sure we can raise more this time! Thank you in advance.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

If any family still wishes to donate a box to Operation Christmas Child, we shall be collecting boxes in school until **Wednesday 7th November**. Please remember that shoe boxes should not be completely wrapped. As the boxes will go through customs, Operation Christmas Child need to check that all boxes have suitable items in them and subsequently they do need to be able to access them. If you wish to contribute to this cause, but don't have the time to purchase items for a shoe box, visit the Operation Christmas Child website and you can pack a shoe box online or purchase a pre-packed shoe box.



CORE VALUES



Our core value this term is RESPECT – we shine when we show respect. Our acts of worship will help the children to:

- Consider how they show respect for others in their home, school and wider communities;
- Reflect on how they value and respect their own and other people's belongings;
- Remember that God has given us the responsibility to value and respect all animals;
- Learn that St. Francis is famous for his love and respect for animals;
- Value their environment and know that they should help to protect it for future generations;
- Recognise that reverence takes respect a step further and will include aspects of worship such as awe and wonder, surrender and sacrifice;
- Appreciate that some objects have a special significance and should be treated with reverence;
- Understand that Mother Teresa believed that everyone is a child of God, infinitely precious and worthy of reverence, respect and dignity.

Certificates have been sent home today and are also available on our school website. We would love to hear from you when your child exemplifies the value of RESPECT outside of school so that we can celebrate that in school too.



HOUSE POINTS (to 1st November 2018)

Weekly Totals		Cumulative Totals	
Fire	134	Earth	1256
Earth	126	Wind	1149
Wind	105	Fire	1063
Water	82	Water	904



DINNER MENU – w/c 5th NOVEMBER

Monday	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Five Bean Chilli with Rice	Jacket Potato with Tuna
Tuesday	Chicken & Broccoli Pasta Bake	Vegetable Frittata	Jacket Potato with Cheese
Wednesday	Roast Pork	Vegetable Wellington	Jacket Potato with Beans
Thursday	Meatballs with Rice	Shepherdess Pie	Jacket Potato with Tuna
Friday	Battered Fish	Bean Burger	Jacket Potato with Cheese



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Weds 7 th November	Whole School	Operation Christmas Child – Box back into school	
Fri 9 th November	Whole School	Remembrance Day	10.50am Special Assembly
Mon 12 th November	Whole School	School Photographs	During the school day
Mon 12 th November	Y6	Cycling Proficiency	During the school day
Fri 16 th November	Y4	Class Assembly	9.15am and 2.30pm
Mon 19 th November	EYFS – Y5	Flu Vaccinations	During the school day

Fri 30 th November	Whole School	St Andrew's Day	Wear a BLUE Accessory
Weds 5 th December	Whole School	Christmas Lunch	
Thurs 13 th December	Y2	Nativity	
Fri 14 th December	Whole School	Christmas Jumper Day	
Weds 19 th December		Family Carol Service	6.00pm
Fri 21 st December	Whole School	Christmas Mass	9.15am
Fri 21 st December	Finish for the Christmas Holiday – 1.00pm		
Mon 7 th January 2019	Whole School	Start of the New Term	8.40am

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To register contact the school office for more details