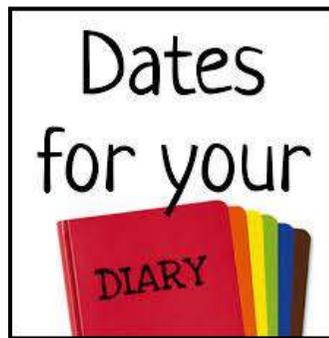


# November 2018



## 23rd November 2018 Newsletter

### Diary Dates Week Commencing 26th November 2018

- Monday 26th November - LANTERN MAKING VILLAGE HALL - 13:00-15:15  
- After school Chess club pick-up 4:15
- Tuesday 27th November - LANTERN MAKING VILLAGE HALL - 9:00-12:00  
- Whole School Sport Bentham Country Club (Sports kit) 3:15
- Wednesday 28th November - HEIGHTS & WEIGHTS YEARS RECEPTION & 6  
- After school clubs - Electronics, Coding & Sewing pick-up 4:15
- Thursday 29th November - MERLIN & KESTREL - STROUD TRIP  
- YEAR 6 - ARCHWAY - MATHS WORKSHOP 9:30-11:30  
- Lunch time Pulsar Club  
- After school Stay and Play club £2.00 pick-up 4:15
- Friday 30th November - Celebration Assembly 9:00 Eagle Class  
- Mr Ringer's After school Book club Yr 5&6 pick-up 4:00  
- After school Board Games club pick-up 4:15

### Diary Dates Week Commencing 19th November 2018

- Monday 3rd December - WHOLE SCHOOL PANTOMIME Drop Stratford Park 8:40  
- Eagle Class Prince William Award  
- After school Chess club pick-up 4:15
- Tuesday 4th December - Whole School Sport Bentham Country Club (Sports kit) 3:15  
- After school Sports club pick-up 4:15
- Wednesday 5th December - TAG RUGBY FESTIVAL YEARS 3,4,5 & 6 PAINSWICK RFC  
PICKUP 15:30 PAINSWICK RFC  
- After school clubs - Electronics, Coding & Sewing pick-up 4:15
- Thursday 6th December - Lunch time Pulsar Club  
- After school Stay and Play club £2.00 pick-up 4:15
- Friday 7th December - Celebration Assembly 9:00 Eagle Class  
- Mr Ringer's After school Book club Yr 5&6 pick-up 4:00  
- After school Board Games club pick-up 4:15  
- STROUD GOODWILL FESTIVAL time tbc

Dear Parents & Carers,

Well with the snow flurry earlier in the week we are all once again beginning to wonder whether we will get to the end of term without the school being closed - let's hope we stay open all the way through the winter! We endeavour to keep the school open every day we possibly can but if we shut it really is because road conditions are not safe enough travel.

When I wrote the last newsletter we were about to attend the Tag Rugby tournament at Birdlip - for those of you not at the event and who didn't make it to Celebration Assembly last week you'll be pleased to know we scored 11 tries over the course of 3 matches against Birdlip, Cranham and Coberley Schools. Working and playing sport with our cluster schools is a really good thing to do and we'll be making the most of these opportunities whenever we can. Today a team of children from Year 3 upwards represented us at the Sportshall Athletics event at Stratford Park. This is part of the School Games organisation and we were very pleased to have been able to attend. Due to restricted numbers we couldn't take all the children so those that didn't attend will be top of the list to attend the next event so please do not worry if your child did not get a place this time. The children all performed brilliantly and as ever showed off their great sporting attitude and teamwork with Mr Tylour and Ms Murphy cheering them on.

Unfortunately, our entry into the Handball Festival later in the term has been cancelled. This is due to so many schools wanting to take part - the organisers had to pull names from a hat and sadly we lost out this time. However, they tell us there will be another event in January that we can apply for.

This week we've showed some more parents and young children our lovely school when they came to look around for Reception places for September. They've all been recommended by you, our existing parents, so thank you for singing our praises far and wide and please keep doing it! Small schools like ours are at their most sustainable when they are full, or close to full and we'd like to keep it that way!

Looking ahead to next week we have another busy week in store. On Monday the whole school will be making the willow lanterns ready for the Stroud Goodwill Evening and the parade around the town. There will also be a further session on Tuesday morning to complete these masterpieces. FOSS are running this with staff and parent help is welcome (and much needed!). Thank you to FOSS and to those parents who have volunteered their time, more are always welcome!

As result of the lantern making there will be no Forest School on Monday for either class. Children may come in non uniform and ideally in clothes you don't mind getting a bit 'gluey'. Alternatively, you may prefer them to bring an old adult shirt to put over their clean clothes.

Also next week Merlin and Kestrel Class are going on their trip to Stroud on Thursday 29th (a more detailed letter will be sent out by Ms Murphy who is organising this trip). We'd love some parent help for this trip for both classes - 4 parents (or grandparents!) for Merlin and 2 or 3 parents (or grandparents) for Kestrel. If you are available please could you let Mrs Powell know in the office either by email or on Monday morning, thank you.

Lastly, we've recently purchased some stocks of hand sanitiser to aid us in our work to reduce the spread of germs - we looked at what other schools used and have purchased an alcohol & fragrance free version that has been recommended for children. This will be placed in classrooms for the children to use and also will go to Forest School and PE. If you would like to look at the ingredients or prefer your child not to use this product then please let Mrs Powell know.

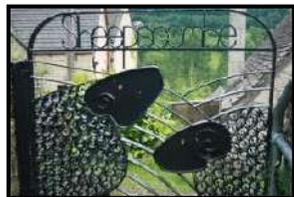
Many thanks for all of your continued support. Parents sometimes worry about raising concerns with us as they seem as if they may be minor. The staff team and I would like to remind you that no worry is too small, your children's wellbeing is, and will always be, our top priority.

An inspirational setting where all children flourish' what more could we say!  
Kind regards,

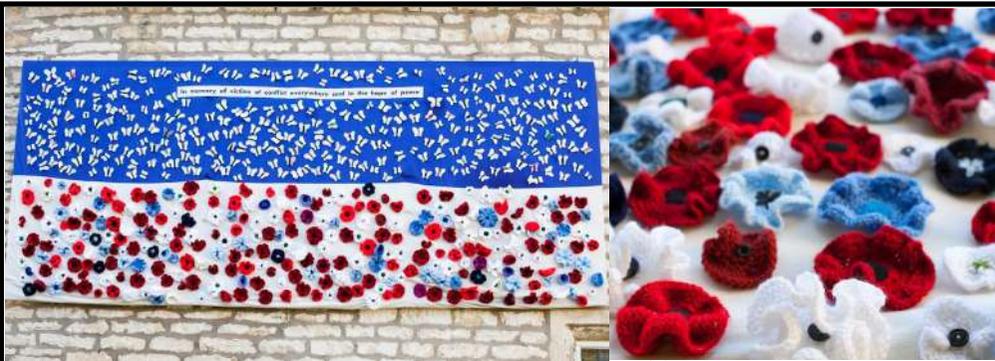
Mrs Vicky Barron - Head Teacher

95% Attendance ✓ 😊

First time this year, now let's make it to 96%!



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**Nailsworth Quaker Meeting House**  
**In memory of Victims of Conflict Everywhere and In the Hope of Peace**  
**Sheepscombe Primary School children made Poppies and Butterflies**



**Kestrel Class**  
**making Round**  
**House's,**  
**thank you to**  
**Sam Shaw for**  
**providing all**  
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