



Parents Evenings—Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th April

The codes for online Zoom parents evenings were sent out on Wednesday. Please contact the school office if you did not receive this or if you need to book a telephone appointment. The booking system on the VLE will remain open until mid-day on Monday if you still need to book.

Healthy Me Challenge

Thank you and well done to everyone for completing the challenges so far. We hope everyone enjoys taking part in this week's challenge which has been set today.

Non-Uniform Day

We are planning on having a non-uniform day next Thursday 1st April so that the children can have a day of working on their outdoor pods. This will replace the star tea party/star time. All children will be participating and should bring in old clothes to wear for messy activities, ie painting, etc.

Emailing Staff

Please can we ask parents to not send any general emails to our staff member direct. All communications should be sent through the correct channel, ie the admin email address: admin@camwoodfield-jun.gloucs.sch.uk. Only messages concerning safeguarding or SEND issues should be sent directly to the Headteacher and SEND Co-ordinator.

Child Friendly Gloucestershire Initiative—#Clap for our Children - 1st April

Staff at CWJS will be making as much noise as possible at midday on 1st April to take part in the proposed #Clap for our Children initiated by Child Friendly Gloucestershire. This is to let our young people know how much we have appreciated them during the last difficult year.

The key messages are:

- We clapped for our carers, now we ask Gloucestershire to clap for our children.
- Our children have been through so much in the last year.
- They are the first generation:
 - ◇ to be confined to their homes
 - ◇ to have their freedoms taken away
 - ◇ to not be able to play with their friends.

SEND Reviews

If your child has a My Plan or a My Plan+, Mrs Wainwright will be inviting you to attend a SEND review, which will take place at some point over a two week period, from Monday 17th May to Friday 28th May.

She will release specific dates for each class and publicise these on next week's newsletter, along with details on how to book an appointment. These review meetings will also be attended by Mrs Wainwright and the class teacher.

If you need to make contact with Mrs Wainwright before these dates, please do not hesitate to contact her via the school's admin email address.

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Wednesday 31st March—Visit by PC Weedon

Thursday 1st April—school finishes for Easter

Inset Day— Monday 19th April. Children not in.

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Cobalt's Virtual Easter Hunt!

Looking for family fun over the school holidays? Cobalt has created a **Virtual Easter Hunt** for you and your family to share, over a video call or with those at home. There is something for everyone in the family from puzzles to drawing, activity and creativity, and we hope you have fun and laughter along the way.

The Virtual Easter Hunt is free to download from Cobalt's website here <https://www.cobalthhealth.co.uk/support-us/virtual-easter-hunt/> and there is a virtual reward for everyone that completes the Easter Hunt.

Would you like to see your artwork on Cobalt's website? The creations and designs made as part of the Virtual Easter Hunt can be sent to fundraising@cobalthhealth.co.uk to become part of the Happy Easter Gallery.
Happy Easter!

Free School Meals - Holiday Activities and Food Programme

Stroud District Council is working with Gloucestershire County Council in the Easter Holidays to deliver activities funded by the DfE through the Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF) 2021

As part of this rollout, Gloucestershire County Council can provide activities and nutritious food to children eligible for Free School Meal's during some of the school half-term periods. This will include provision for the upcoming Easter school holidays.

With funding from the DfE, and in partnership with local agencies, providers and communities an offer of activities that last at least 4 hours a day for 4 days a week, for 6 weeks of the year that include food and cook along videos in order to make a nutritious meal will be available to families where children are eligible for free school meals.

Due to the current restrictions imposed by the government, the HAF programme will be delivered mainly virtually for the Easter half-term period.

During the **first week of half-term**, they will provide on line activities to all children/families eligible for Free School Meals. These will include a daily cook-along video and tasks for them to engage with.

All activities will be suitable for children aged 5 to 16 and will be available on the HAF web page which can be accessed through the Gloucestershire County Council website. Families will also be able to book and collect a Home Cooking Kit which contains recipe cards and enough food/ingredients for 4 meals and an Activities Pack with things to do for that week.

These will be available for pick up from a collection point in their local area. **Parents need to complete an application form in order for them to allocate the Home Cooking Kits/ Activity Packs.**

For the sign up form (This closes on the 24th March 2021 at 5pm) please see the following link: https://gloucestershire-consult.objective.co.uk/public/a2lcustomerfeedback/freeschoolmeals/freeschoolmeals_1

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School's monitoring of COVID—19 cases from 2nd— 7th April

The DfE (Department for Education) has requested that all schools are contactable after the last day of school (1st April) for a period of 6 days between the 2nd—7th April. This is to enable the school to inform other families and staff if a child or staff member has been tested positive over this 6 day period. DfE guidance states:

- Where a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school, the school should not be contacted. Parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.
- For the first 6 days after teaching ends, if a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school, the school is asked to assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school.
- School staff are not asked to remain on-call or conduct any contact tracing more than 6 days after the final day of teaching. Where a school's last teaching day is on Thursday 1st April, there should be no pupil contact tracing asks beyond Wednesday 7th April.
- If your child has been tested positive during the period of **1st—3rd April** then please contact the school on the email below:

hsw@camwoodfield-jun.gloucs.sch.uk This email has been specifically setup for parents and will be monitored during the two days.

The period between **4th April—7th April**, parents will need to contact the Local Authority help line. This will be monitored each day between 9am—5pm.

Email: COVIDschoolenquiries@gloucestershire.gov.uk Telephone: **01452 426015**

*Both email addresses are **ONLY** for positive COVID 19 cases in the school. All other school enquiries must be sent to the usual admin@camwoodfield-jun.gloucs.sch.uk email address.*

Invitation from Pate's Grammar School—Y5 VIRTUAL OPEN MORNING 30th March 2021 @ 10:30

I would like to invite you to join me at our Open Morning next Tuesday. Please note that these will be held online via Microsoft Teams - not in person. We are very disappointed not to be able to welcome you personally to the school, but hope that you will join us live online instead. No booking is required. Simply click on the live link below – the link will go 'live' at 10:30am. There is no need to download the Teams app, just select 'watch on the web instead'. Very simple. There will be no cameras or mics for attendees, so feel free to relax and enjoy the session as a family. There will be the opportunity to post questions during the session.

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_NDYwYTQyZDYtYjYyNi00ZTNhLWlONGlMmE5YTA4MmNjMDIw%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22e98ed55-402e-46b9-bb19-2fd8184c8256%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22485cb81a-ffac-401b-8a45-e2e32f4e98c9%22%2c%22IsBroadcastMeeting%22%3atrue%7d

Russel Ellicott, Head Master

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Wonderstruck Virtual Visit

On Monday 22nd March, Year 5 took part in a virtual science show by Wonderstruck. They consolidated their knowledge of forces from this term, by seeing how they act upon objects including rice crispies and egg shells in a truly explosive show! The children watched in awe as the presenter brought science to life before answering their questions at the end.

Fruit

It has been great to see lots of children getting involved in our fruit initiative. Your child can bring in 20p to receive a piece of fruit each day, or if they would like to pay for more than one day at a time, they can bring in a larger sum and be given fruit for the relevant number of days.

Charity Fund Raising

Two of our Y6 children have raised the magnificent sum of £205 for charity (Saving Turtles) by selling home baked cakes and squash. We would like to say well done, we are very proud of you.

Finishing Times for End of Term

Children will finish school an hour earlier on Thursday 1st April, when school breaks up for the Easter holidays:

- Year 3 at 2.05pm
- Year 4 at 2.10pm
- Year 5 at 2.15pm
- Year 6 at 2.20pm

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