

NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2025



HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Pupils and families

I am delighted to join the Severnbanks community as your new headteacher and to welcome you back to school.

I am enjoying getting to know all our pupils and families and working with our amazing staff to make this a happy, inspiring, and successful year for everyone.

It has been wonderful getting to see how quickly the children have settled back arriving with enthusiasm for the year ahead. I am looking forward to an exciting term filled with learning growth and plenty of memorable moments!

Warm regards, Mrs Bradley



ATTENDANCE

As you will have seen in the national news, good school attendance and punctuality are hugely important for children's learning. Please ensure you don't take your child out of school during term time and make sure they are in school every day unless they are ill. If they are ill please report it to the school office as soon as possible.

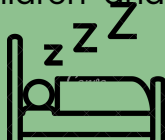
Before Covid, the picture was clear:

- 84% of pupils with 100% attendance reached the expected standard in all subjects.
- This dropped to just 40% for pupils whose attendance was below 90%.

SLEEP AND BEDTIME ROUTINES

At the start of the new school year we are all getting into routines. Establishing a good sleep routine helps children feel rested, focused, and ready to learn each day. A consistent bedtime supports their wellbeing, concentration, and energy as they settle back into the new school year:

<https://www.sleepfoundation.org/children-and-sleep/bedtime-routine>



CONTACT INFO



If you need to contact the school for any reason please use this as your first point of call:

Email:
admin@severnbanks.gloucs.sch.uk

Phone: 01594 842789

Key Dates

Fri 3rd Oct: Crazy Sock day: More details to follow

Tuesday 14th Oct: Pupil consultation sessions: 3.30–6.00pm

Wednesday 15th Oct: Pupil consultation sessions: 3.30–6.00pm

Fri 17th Oct: Wear an item of red to show racism the red card

Mon 20th Oct: School photos

22nd Oct: End of term Pumpkin Party organised by the PTFA

22nd October: End of term for pupils

23rd and 24th October: Inset days for staff only

3rd November: Term 2 begins for pupils



School start time



A reminder that our school day begins promptly at **8:45am**. To ensure children are settled and ready to learn, we ask that all pupils arrive on site by **8:40am**. This gives them time to get into class and prepare for the day ahead.

The green school gate will close at **8:45am** sharp. Any children arriving after this time will need to be taken through the school office and will be marked as late in the register.

Thank you for supporting us in helping every child make a calm and punctual start to their learning.



New Build



You may have seen that the local authority has been allocated £5.2 million to fund a new classroom block and undertake refurbishment works at Severnbanks. This exciting project, due to start next year, will include the creation of:

- A new entrance and reception area,
- A purpose-built block for Nursery, Reception and Year 1,
- A new on-site kitchen,
- Refurbishment of the first floor.

I will share more details and plans with you as soon as they are confirmed. I am sure you will agree this is an exciting opportunity for Severnbanks to become an even better environment for your children.



We are currently in the process of reviewing and updating the website, but don't forget it is a great source of information about the school and what is going on.

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



GloucesterAcademy of Music



Tuition starts at £15.45 per 20 minute individual lesson and £23 per 30 minute lesson for piano or violin.

If there are a pair of Violin pupils they may have a 20 minute shared lesson at £8.10 and a 30 minute shared at £12.20. Paired lessons are not available for the piano.

There are a maximum of 33 lessons spread across the year.

Payment is made through the portal and the term can be split into 3 equal amounts paid monthly.

Violin hire can be found at Gloucestershire Music

<https://www.gloucestershiremusic.co.uk/instrument-hire/instrument-hire-charges/> which is not associated with us at Gloucestershire Academy of Music.

At the moment, parents wishing to have piano lessons can register via our portal gam.paritor.com, but anyone asking to register for violin should email me (karin@glosacadmusic.com) and I will add it to the system.

If anyone has any questions, please contact: Karin@glosacadmusic.org

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PROSTARS WILDCATS



(STARTING) DATE
SEPTEMBER 17TH



TIME
5:30PM-6:30PM-FREEDOM
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