

Dear Families,

We are pleased to share that we have now received our draft Ofsted report. This is an important stage in the inspection process, and we hope to be able to share the final report with our parent community very soon.

Next week, our Year 6 pupils will be sitting their SATs. Both the children and staff have been working incredibly hard to prepare, and we are very proud of the determination and commitment shown by everyone involved.

While SATs help prepare pupils for the transition to secondary school, they are also a moment to reflect on the many wonderful achievements of our children and the incredible young people they are becoming—qualities that tests alone can never assess. We wish our Year 6 pupils the very best of luck.

As we begin to look ahead to September, preparations for the new school year are well underway. We have now added our transition date to the school calendar, which will take place at the start of July. This will be an important opportunity for children to become familiar with their next steps, and we will be sharing further information with families very soon.

Alongside this, we have had the pleasure of undertaking interviews last week as part of our expansion programme and are delighted that we will be welcoming new teachers to the school in September. We very much look forward to introducing them to the Severnbanks community and are confident they will quickly feel part of our school family, bringing enthusiasm, care, and a shared commitment to our children.

Warm regards, Mrs Bradley



## Headteacher's Award Winners

A huge congratulation to our Headteacher award winners. Given to pupils who 'Shine' by living our school vision and values everyday.

# Shayden Anya



## Sponsored Bounceathon!



- Where: Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May
- When: From 9.00am
- What: Each child will complete as many bounces as they can in 1 minute.
- Why: To help the school raise funds to create a school library with audiobooks.

How can you help?

Families can help raise money for the school-sponsored bounceathon by gathering sponsors for their child.

# Attendance Matters

## Attendance Whole School

01/09/26 - 08/05/26

Sycamore 83.8%

Rowan 95.9%

Elm 95.6%

Oak 95.9%

Birch 94.8%

Ash 93.8%

Acer 92.8%

Cherry 94.8%



## Gloucester's Young Photographer of the year

We are delighted to share that three of our children have been selected for their high-quality entries, which have now been included in the Primary School Audio-Visual Presentation.

This is a wonderful achievement and we are very proud of them all.

The selected entries are:

Arley N - Sun Rays at Soudley Pond

Sophia F - Spring Flower

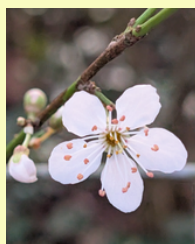
Aria J - It's the Gruffalo

You can view the Primary School Audio-Visual Presentation here:

<https://vimeo.com/1188605911/918414932e?share=copy&fl=sv&fe=ci>



Well done to everyone who took the time to enter. Start taking your photos now ready for next year!



# Key Dates

Summer Term



11<sup>th</sup> May: Year 6 SATS week

22<sup>nd</sup> May: Sponsored Bounceathon, more details to follow.

22<sup>nd</sup> May: End of term

1<sup>st</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> June: Child Safety Week

8<sup>th</sup> June: Return to school, all pupils in.

15<sup>th</sup>: Father's day sale. PTFA event.

**19<sup>th</sup> June: Non-uniform day: Donations for summer fun day raffle**

22<sup>nd</sup> June: School photos, class, individuals and siblings.

19<sup>th</sup> June: Summer Event by PTFA (Cancelled)

**1<sup>st</sup> July: 6pm: New starters information evening**

3<sup>rd</sup> July: Sports Day

6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> July: Move up days to new classes.

10<sup>th</sup> July: Year 6 PGL trip

17<sup>th</sup> July: Reserve sports day in case of bad weather.

17<sup>th</sup> July: Year 5 trip to the Airshow

21<sup>st</sup> July: Year 5/6 play at 2pm: Under5s welcome

21<sup>st</sup> July: Year 5/6 play at 5pm: No Under5s at this performance

22<sup>nd</sup> July: Year 5/6 play at 2pm: No under 5s at this performance

23<sup>rd</sup> July: 5pm: Year 6 leavers BBQ and celebration event

24<sup>th</sup> July: Final Day of summer term

**25<sup>th</sup> July: PTFA summer fun inflatable day.**



## New Build and School Expansion Update

As part of our exciting expansion project, we are pleased to share that in September we will be welcoming two new Reception classes to our school. To support this growth, our Nursery will be moving to a new space, allowing it to expand and continue to thrive.

Building work is due to begin in July. While we will do everything possible to minimise disruption, we kindly ask for your patience during this time. These developments will be a huge benefit to the whole school community in the long term.

# What has been going on at Severnbanks?

We love sharing the wonderful moments from around our school! This page is full of photos capturing our pupils in action. We hope these snapshots give you a glimpse of the energy, creativity, and fun happening at Severnbanks every day.

Year 3 welcomed in Andy Seed, a local author for some great workshop and author session.



Year 4 have been baking as part of their DT project.



Year 5 have been creating unique art pieces as part of their work on exploring the impact of plastic on the oceans.



We all really enjoyed the Year 2 class assembly.



Some of our children represented the school at a local archery session.



Year 2 pupils were so brave during their animal encounter experience!



# Severnbanks Award Winners this term



We have started the summer term strongly by celebrating a wide range of pupil achievements. From academic success to positive behaviour and personal milestones, our pupils' efforts have been recognised and celebrated, setting a positive tone for the term ahead.

## Stars that Shine



## Dojo Champions

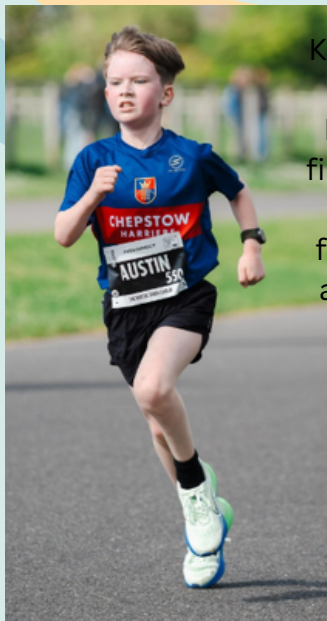


## Living our school Values



Over 200 dojo champions

## Being stars that shine outside of school.



Kai competed in the Bristol Track Club Junior 3km (U12) for Chepstow Harriers. Aiming for a sub-13-minute finish in his first 3km race, he achieved an excellent time of 12:56. After finishing, Kai congratulated his friend and stayed at the funnel cheering on and congratulating others, showing great sportsmanship and living our school values.

## Chess Champion 2026



Over 40 matches were played before a hotly contested final saw Jenson F crowned our 2026 Chess Champion. Well done to Jenson, our runners up and highly commended players



# Clay Workshop

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> & Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May



Scan the QR code and pre-book online



# Summer half term at Taurus Crafts

 Clay workshop	Sat 23		
	Sun 24	Drop in Arts & Crafts <small>no need to book, drop in from 10-3</small>	£6
	Mon 25	Bug Hotel *	£12
	Tue 26	Drop in Arts & Crafts <small>no need to book, drop in from 10-3</small>	£6
	Wed 27	Clay workshop*	£12
	Thu 28	Bug Hotel*	£12
 Drop in Arts & Crafts	Fri 29	Clay workshop*	£12
	Sat 30	Drop in Arts & Crafts <small>no need to book, drop in from 10-3</small>	£6
	Sun 31	Taurus Crafts Dog Show 11-3 <small>free crafts activities on site!</small>	

online booking required for\*



Scan the QR code and pre-book online



PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AND  
FILL OUT AN ONLINE TASTER FORM





# Drop in Arts & Crafts

Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Tue 26<sup>th</sup> Sat 30<sup>th</sup> May



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and pre-book online



# Bug Hotel

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May



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# CLUBS



## MAY HALF TERM FOOTBALL CAMP

**VENUES** Wyedean School / Freedom Leisure Lydney  
**TIMINGS** 9:00am – 3:00pm  
**AGES** 5 – 12 years  
**PRICE** £20 per day (10% discount for District & Wildcats players)  
**DATES** Tuesday 26th May · Wednesday 27th May · Thursday 28th May

### WEDNESDAY THEME – STREET SOCCER

A fast-paced day of skills, flair & creativity 🏆

**What to expect:**

- ⚡ Skills & Tricks
- ⚡ 1v1 Battles
- 🔥 Panna & Nutmegs
- 🏆 Street Tournament

**Prizes:**

- 👑 Street King / Queen
- 🏆 Best Skills
- 🔥 Best Goal
- 👑 Best Celebration

Whether your child loves **SKILLS, SCORING GOALS,** or just playing with friends – this is a day not to miss!

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## MAY HALF TERM FOOTBALL CAMP

WE'RE DELIGHTED TO ANNOUNCE  
 WE ARE ADDING AN EXTRA DAY IN MAY  
 AT BOTH LYDNEY / WYDEAN!

# FOOTBALL FRIDAY FIESTA!



**BRAZIL**  
FLAIR & SKILLS



**ARGENTINA**  
CLOSE CONTROL



**COLOMBIA**  
SHOOTING & FINISHING



**URUGUAY**  
COMPETITIVE GAMES

CHILDREN WILL TAKE PART IN CHALLENGES BASED AROUND  
**BRAZIL, ARGENTINA, COLOMBIA AND URUGUAY.**  
 SHOWING FLAIR, SKILL, SHOOTING AND MUCH MORE!

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**WHAT TO EXPECT**

- ⚡ Skills & Tricks
- 🏆 Small-Sided Games
- 🌍 Country Challenges
- 🎵 Competitions & Prizes
- 🎶 Music & Football Vibe!

**PRIZES**

- 👑 Fiesta Champion
- 🏆 Best Skills
- 🔥 Best Goal
- 👑 Top Teammate

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# HOLIDAY CLUB!

**MAY HALF TERM**

**WE ARE RUNNING AT:**

Primrose Hill Primary School- Lydney

Berry Hill Primary School- Coleford

**RUNNING DATES:**  
**26<sup>TH</sup> MAY - 29<sup>TH</sup> MAY**

**SPORTS**

**THEMED GAMES**

**CRAFTS**



**AGES 5-11**

VISIT

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**TO BOOK!**

# THINGS TO DO

## May Half Term

Family series/£5pp

 **Tuesday 26th May**  
12pm-4pm: DnD character building  
5pm-8:30pm: DnD 

 **Thursday 28th May -**  
12pm-4pm: Pokemon Paper mosaics and origami  
5pm-8:30pm: Standard opening 

 **Friday 29th May-**  
12pm-4pm: Minecraft Paper mosaics and origami  
5pm-8:30pm: Pokemon TCG 

Under 16's must be accompanied by paying adult - you do not have to participate in the activity and can use the other facilities  
The Den, 26 Newerne Street, Lydney GL15 5RF

Rotary Club of the Royal Forest of Dean



£200 first Prize

Entries open May 1st to August 31st 2026

Age Groups 4-11 And 11-18

Original photograph on the subject  
"Life in the Forest of Dean"

Entry free. Limit of two photographs per entrant  
Digital entry only

Full details and Entry:  
[www.rotary-rfod.org.uk/photocomp](http://www.rotary-rfod.org.uk/photocomp)  
or QR



Rotary Club of the Royal Forest of Dean (Trust Fund) Reg. Charity No. 288122





Dear Primary Schools,

I am delighted to share news with you regarding a fantastic ticket offer for young people that attend Bristol & Gloucestershire affiliated schools.

In partnership with The Medlock Charitable Trust, children under-16 can watch 10 selected Gloucestershire County Cricket Club white-ball matches for **FREE** throughout the summer!

At the Gloucestershire Cricket Foundation, we want to make cricket open to more people. With a £10 adult ticket, there has never been a better time to enjoy the match-day experience for adults and juniors alike!

From double headers involving the Women's side, to food and drink, or live entertainment around the ground, there's something for everyone.

Whether you have never been to a cricket match or are a seasoned fan, now is the time to enjoy the atmosphere and fun.

#### **What is the offer?**

- Adult tickets *just* £10
- Up to 4 x **free** U16 tickets when purchased along with an adult ticket.

- This is in place for 10 Gloucestershire CCC matches, with more information regarding the offer, including which matches it applies to, available via this [link](#).

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# Read Together

after-school!

- ✓ Group storytime
- ✓ Fun craft activity
- ✓ Free books to take home
- ✓ Drink and snacks provided

at River Children  
and Family Centre  
Lydney, GL15 5AU

Drop in from 3:15pm-4:30pm  
Every Monday  
during term time

 [www.readwithme.org.uk](http://www.readwithme.org.uk)

 [ReadWithMe2020](https://www.facebook.com/ReadWithMe2020)

 [ReadWithMeOrg](https://www.instagram.com/ReadWithMeOrg)



*Our* **ROCK**  
*Values*

Respect + Optimism + Community + Kindness

## Open Evening

Thursday 4 June 2026

5:00pm - 7:00pm



For  
Prospective  
Students

Year 7  
Admission  
September  
2027

# Unlock Your Potential

Talk from the Principal at 6pm in the main hall.