

Newsletter 6 Friday 1st October 2021

Dear Families,

We are delighted to see so many parents have attended the Year I Reading Event this week. It is so important that we can work together to ensure your child has every opportunity to learn the skills and have the knowledge to become a happy confident reader. Research has proven the value of reading cannot be underestimated and is a key indicator of future life chances no matter what your socioeconomic status. During the school day, your child will be taught reading. At home, they can build on this by practising reading to you and enjoy listening to stories read by you.

Bedtime Stories- Tuesday 12th October

5pm-6pm

We have had such a successful event like this, before the pandemic. We are again organising a Year 2 and Year 3 bedtime story event. This is an occasion that will help promote the importance of reading for pleasure with your child. We aim for this to be a time when you are able to give your child quality time that might not be so easy at home. For this reason we would prefer siblings not to attend.

Please arrive at the school office entrance. You may bring a cosy sleeping bag, cushions, teddy bear etc.

Remember, to wear your pyjamas!

Harvest Festival 20th October

We are supporting the Food Bank as our local charity again this year. We will be asking the children to bring in a donation of dry food goods on the day of the service. Packet foods, tins, pasta etc is most welcome. All food will be collected by the Food Bank on 20th October and distributed to those in most need locally.

We have had to make the difficult decision to hold this service with a reduced size audience. This is very sad because we know how popular the event is amongst our families. However, we are reminded to be cautious as the pandemic is not yet over.

Therefore, we invite parents of Year 6 only to join us on 20th October at 9.15pm. We have decided this the fairest way. We know how important it is to be able to treasure the last primary experiences.

Castle Hill Football Team News

Our Castle Hill Girls Team competed in their second game of the season against Norton. Well done on your victory 8-0! Please see our Twitter page for updates. You can follow us at @CastleGlos.

Reminder!

The Next PTA Meeting is 4th October at 7:00pm

Please send in shoebox items by the 21st October!



PAWS

We love your enthusiasm and the quality of the work your children are producing.

Please ensure videos are no longer than a minute so more children's are able to be shared in class.

Brockworth Library

Grand Opening on Saturday 2nd October by Shoo Rayner

> Brockworth Link and Community Library

> > 10.30am-12.30pm

Bouncy castle, Ice cream van, balloons and lots more.

Drop by and and see your beautiful new library.

Hello Yellow- Friday 8th October

Please help us support our pupils on Mental Health Awareness Day. Pupils may wear a yellow accessory in exchange for a donation. All money raised will be used to support Mental Health.

Forthcoming dates for your diary Key DatesAutumn Term 2021

Tuesday 12th October- Bedtime Story Event for Years 2 and 3 5pm-6pm Wednesday 13th October-9.15am-10.15am-Reception Parents Coffee Morning Tuesday 19th 4-7pm / Wednesday 20th October 3.20-6pm-Online Parents' Evening Wednesday 20th October- Harvest Festival- 9.15am Year 6 parents only Friday 22nd October- Staff INSET day

Monday 25th October-Friday 29th October-Half Term

Monday 1st November - Staff INSET day

Tuesday 2nd November- School starts

Wednesday 24th November- 1.30pm-2.30pm Open afternoon for New Reception 2022 Wednesday 24th November- 2.30pm-3.30pm- Work Celebration Event for all existing parents to come and see their child's work.

Friday 10th December - PAWS in

Friday 10th December-Reception Nativity

Tuesday 14th December-Christmas Dinner and party

Friday 17th December-Sing a long 1pm-2pm

Friday 17th December- Term finishes at 2pm

Big Write- Week Beginning Monday 4th October

The title for this week Big Write is:

Adventure

Please use the weekend to talk to your child about the title and help them to think creatively about what they may choose to write about. You might like to challenge your child to include a few good vocabulary words into their writing. Maybe you could decide these together.

