

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a busy few weeks with lots going on in school. Please check the dates for your diary section of this newsletter as additional dates have been added including dates for sports day.

### UNIVERSITY OF GLOUCESTER

We are delighted to be working with the University of Gloucester this year. Emma Marsh, PGCE Student, will be joining Foxmoor for a school based placement and will be working in Class 3 until 28<sup>th</sup> April.

# SNOW PROCEDURES

The decision to close the school is never taken lightly. There are a number of factors that are taken into consideration but ultimately it is the safety of the children which is paramount and having the appropriate staff ratios is essential.

In the event of severe weather, especially significant falls of snow, there are several sources of information for parents to find out about whether the school will be closed.

- 1. A closure notice will be published on the Gloucester County Council Website. This can be found at www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/closures
- 2. Parents can listen to the local radio stations BBC Gloucestershire (104.7 FM) and Heart FM (102.4 FM) who announce all the schools that have closed. However, there can be a delay between the school phoning the information into the station and them announcing it.
- 3. An update will be posted on the Foxmoor Facebook page @foxmoorprimaryschool.
- 4. A sign will be posted on the school gate.

Always assume the school is open unless you are informed otherwise by the methods above.

# **BAGS IN SCHOOL**

Can I please remind you that due to limited space in cloakrooms, children are not to bring rucksacks or sports bags to school unless they are attending a sports club before or after school. Thank you for your understanding and your continued support with this.

#### BOOK FAIR

Please note that the dates of the Book Fair have changed. The book Fair will now be in school from  $7^{th}$  March to  $14^{th}$  March.

#### GIRL'S FOOTBALL

The Girl's football team will be taking part in the Len Hutton Millennium Competition on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February from 11.45am till 4.00pm. If you can come along on the day and offer your support the venue is Inside Football, Brimscombe Port, Brimscombe, GL5 2QQ.

## MIDDAY SUPERVISOR

We are currently recruiting for a Midday Supervisor. The role is an hour per day from 12.30 to 1.30. If you are interested and require more information then please contact the school office.

#### THERAPY DOGS NATIONWIDE

We are excited to announce that Foxmoor will shortly be working with the charity Therapy Dogs Nationwide to implement the schools Paws and Read Programme. We will be joined by Percy and his owner Sarah on a weekly basis. Selected children will spend time reading their favourite books to Percy. Permission slips will be sent out shortly. More information about the Charity and the scheme can be found at <a href="https://www.therapydogsnationwide.org/newwebsite/about/">www.therapydogsnationwide.org/newwebsite/about/</a>



Percy

### ISLE OF WHITE MEETING

The Isle of White meeting for Year 5 parents will be held on  $29^{th}$  January at 6.30pm. This meeting will provide you with all the information that you need regarding the Year 6 residential visit and will also be an opportunity to ask any relevant questions that you may have. Please note, this meeting is for parents only.

Richard Bridgewater Headteacher

#### **INFORMATION**

#### School and Governor Contact:

01453 757251

Facebook @foxmoorprimaryschool

# Family Lives Helpline:

0808 800 2222

www.familylives.org

# Early Help Partnership Families First Plus Stroud:

01452 328130

www.glosfamiliesdirectory.org.uk

#### School Nurse Contact:

0300 421 8959

# Early Years and Childcare:

0800 542 02 02

# Glos County Council:

www.gloucestershire.gov.uk

# Friends of Foxmoor (FOF)

Facebook @friendsoffoxmoorschool

Contact: Natalie Hombrado via the school office

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please find below a list of current visits planned and some important dates. I hope you find it useful. Further dates will be added in subsequent newsletters.

SPRING 2019  29th January  Isle of Wight Parent's Meeting 6.30pm  30th January  Reception Eye Tests  7th February  Book Fair arrives  6irl's Football at Inside Football 11.45am till 4.00pm - GL52QQ  15th February  FOF Valentines Disco  15th February  Last day of term 3  SPRING 2019  Term 4  25th February  FOF AGM Meeting  28th February  Cheltenham Dance Festival 6pm  5th March  Reception and Year 1 Dental Health Survey  5th March  World Book Day  7th March  Book Fair arrives in school  7th March  Parent's Evening 3.30pm-7.00pm  11th March  Parent's Evening 3.30pm-7.00pm
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2 <sup>nd</sup> April Year 4 STEM Workshop
3 <sup>rd</sup> April Year 3 STEM Workshop
4 <sup>th</sup> April FOF Easter Bingo Event
5 <sup>th</sup> April Last day of term 4
SUMMER 2019 Term 5
23 <sup>rd</sup> April First day of term 5
23 <sup>rd</sup> April Great British Dance Off Regionals
30 <sup>th</sup> April Country Dance Festival
6 <sup>th</sup> May Day School Closed
7 <sup>th</sup> May Cheltenham Brass Band Festival
13 <sup>th</sup> May Year 6 SATs Week
17 <sup>th</sup> May Year 6 and Friends Celebration Concert
20 <sup>th</sup> May Year 5/6 BMX Workshop
20th May Year 3 Fit2Last Session at Forest Green Rovers
21st May Year 3/4 Jui Jitzu Workshop TBC
21st May Year 5 Autonomous Vehicle Workshop
22 <sup>nd</sup> May Class and Leaver's photos
22 <sup>nd</sup> to 24 <sup>th</sup> May Life Bus
24 <sup>th</sup> May Last Day of Term 5

SUMMER 2019	Term 6
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	First Day of Term 6
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day
6 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Champions Morning
8 <sup>th</sup> June	Provisional FOF Summer Fete Day TBC
10 <sup>th</sup> June	Phonics Testing Week
12 <sup>th</sup> June	Reserve Sports Day
15 <sup>th</sup> June	Provisional FOF Summer Fete Day TBC
17 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 Bikeability Week
23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Last Day of Term 6