

# FOXMOOR PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

Autumn 1



Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, a huge welcome to all our Reception children and families. It has been wonderful to see you settle in to school life the past couple of weeks and we are so happy to officially welcome you to the Foxmoor Family.

It has been a fantastic start to the new term. Our Year 3, 4 and 5's all had fantastic experiences as part of our outdoor adventurous activity week. Please see the photographs below. I had the pleasure of attending the Year 2 visit to Copsgrove Farm on Tuesday this week. The children took part in a range of activities and were a real credit to the school. We have lots of other exciting things planned this term so please read the dates section of this newsletter where you will also find important dates of other events being held in school.

As you know, technology is changing on a daily basis and with the increase in AI tools it begs the question - do you really understand what your children do online? If the answer is no, then please take a look at the internet safety section on the school website. The page contains useful information and links to websites that can help parents keep their children safe online. This can be accessed from the link below.

<https://www.foxmoorprimary.co.uk/Parents/internet-safety>

We are currently consulting on our Relationships and Sex Education policy. All families have received a copy of our policy and a link to an online consultation where parents are asked to offer comments and/or suggestions. The consultation will close on Friday 26th September so please make sure you add your comments by then.

I hope you all have a fantastic weekend.

Kind Regards,  
Mr Bridgewater



## Coming up over the next two weeks...

- 22nd September - Y1 Class Trip
- 24th September - Team Captain Elections
- 26th September - MacMillan Coffee Morning
- 29th September - Y6 Residential to IOW

## Whole School Attendance

Our whole school attendance this academic year so far is  
**95.4%.**

If your child is off school due to illness, you must call every day that they are off before 9am to update us on their condition. Any other absence will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances.

**Remember - every day counts**

# Outdoor Adventurous Activity week

Every year our KS2 children enjoy our OAA (Outdoor Adventurous Activity) week in September. This is an ideal opportunity for some class bonding and for the staff to get to know the children outside of the classroom. Year 3 went to Far Peak for some climbing fun, whilst Year 4 and Year 5 went to south Cerney. Year 4 took part in land based activities and Year 5 in the water taking part in raft building, kayaking and paddle boarding. We were so lucky with sunshine on both days and the children had a wonderful time.



# Year 2 trip to Copsgrove Farm

Our Year 2 children enjoyed a trip to Copsgrove Farm on Tuesday, where the sun shone and they were treated to lots of wonderful activities. The children enjoyed tennis ball runs, finding animal skulls, making 'Copsgrove chocolate wonder wraps' and roasted marshmallows. We hope the children had a wonderful time and we want to thank Kate and the team at Copsgrove for another great visit. We are looking forward to taking Year 1 on Monday!

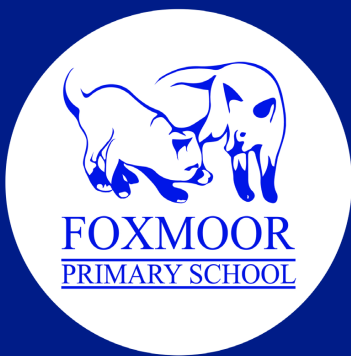


## Important Information

- Please note that if your child has sickness or diarrhoea they must stay off school for 48hrs from the last bout. This illness spreads rapidly, so it is imperative all parents adhere to this to stop the spread in school. Please do not send them into school if they have been sick during the night. Thank you for your support.
- As Autumn term does not finish until late this year again, the Governors have agreed that school will finish at 12pm on Friday 19th December. Please note this includes Little Foxes Nursery and there will be no after school provision.



We have recently sent home letters with all children in Years 1 to Year 6 containing a reminder of their Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) or Numbots logins. These are subscription websites that the school funds to support pupils with rehearsing and consolidating core number fact knowledge to help with their maths. Although the same login details work across both sites for all pupils, Numbots is aimed primarily at Year 1 and Year 2 pupils, whilst TTRS is aimed at Year 3 upwards.



# Open Morning

For parents of children starting school in September 2026

Wednesday 22nd October 2025

Thursday 23rd October 2025

Arrival for 10am. Finish time approximately 11:30am

Meet the Headteacher and the Leadership Team  
See some of our teaching and learning styles  
Refreshments from our Friends of Foxmoor (PTA)  
Ask all the questions you need!

Hunters Way, Cashes Green, Stroud, GL5 4UJ

To book your place:

T: 01453 757251

E: [admin@foxmoor.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@foxmoor.gloucs.sch.uk)





You are invited to our 'Coffee and Cake' event  
in support of Macmillan Cancer Support.

**Where: Foxmoor School Hall**

**Date: Friday 26th September 2025**

**Time: 9:30am - 11am**

Each year we support the MacMillan Coffee morning and this year we would like to invite you all (as well as grandparents and friends) to join us for tea, coffee and delicious cakes in the school hall, in return for donations to Macmillan Cancer Support.

We kindly ask for cake donations from you and to bring in cakes the morning of the coffee morning.

You will be served by some of the pupils and may even be treated to some light entertainment from Year 5 and Year 6!

Stay as little or as long as you'd like. We would love as many of you to attend and enjoy this community event.



## THAT'S WHAT FRIENDS ARE FOR!



Like Jet Age Museum, our friends in the Cheltenham Society of Model Engineers have one focus but many members with different skills and experiences.

As a result of Jet Age Museum outreach at CSME public running days, member Rodney Gosling shared - with permission to reproduce - the photographic archive assembled by his late father, RAF Sergeant Alan Gosling. Included is this splendid monochrome image of a Gloster Gamecock biplane in flight. This adds context to the replica Gamecock, complete with equipment hatches, displayed at Jet Age Museum. Together, both organisations and many more besides in Gloucestershire and beyond are united in preserving our industrial heritage. See another picture on Page 10.

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**FOXMOOR SCHOOL**  
**MONDAY 7:50-8:40 AM**  
**FROM 16TH SEPTEMBER**



**FREE TASTER SESSION FOR NEW STUDENTS**

**£60 FOR TERM (10 CLASSES) INC. SUIT HIRE**

**STRICT UNIFORM POLICY (SUPPLIED)**

FOR FURTHER INFO OR TO PURCHASE YOUR OWN SUIT CALL RICHARD

**07976 572203**

## October WILD PLAY



**TUES 28th WEDS 29th October**  
**9AM - 3PM | CHILDREN 5-14y**  
**RODBOROUGH SCOUT HUT | £35 per child**

- Greenwood and seasonal craft, campfires, foraging and cooking, free play and games.
- Led by nature and in the spirit of play.
- Facilitated by Forest School Leaders



### BOOKING & INFO

[HTTPS://BOOKWHEN.COM/ALLSEASONSFORESTSCHOOL](https://bookwhen.com/allseasonsforestschool)  
[contact@allseasonsforestschool.co.uk](mailto:contact@allseasonsforestschool.co.uk)

**TWO WEEK TRIAL**

**KICK-A-BOUT**  
the unique football experience

## Weekly Football Sessions

**TUESDAYS**

**Stratford Park Leisure Centre**  
**Stroud, GL5 4AF**

3-4 yr olds	2:00-2:40
4-5 yr olds	3:45-4:25
6-7 yr olds	4:25-5:10
7-8 yr olds	5:10-5:55
8-10 yr olds	5:55-6:40

**FOCUS ON INVOLVEMENT, FUN AND SKILL DEVELOPMENT FOR ALL!**

**SATURDAYS**

**Cirencester Arena**  
**Kingshill Lane, Cirencester, GL7 1HS**

3-4 yr olds	8:45-9:25
	9:30-10:10
4-5 yr olds	8:45-9:30
	10:20-11:05
5-6 yr olds	9:35-10:20
	12:05-12:50
6-7 yr olds	8:45-9:30
	10:25-11:10
7-8 yr olds	9:35-10:20
	11:15-12:00
8-9 yr olds	11:10-11:55
10-12 yr olds	12:00-12:45

**20% sibling discount**

Book your child's place at [www.kick-a-bout.com](http://www.kick-a-bout.com)  
Call **DAVID** on **07876 112444** | [DAVID@kick-a-bout.com](mailto:DAVID@kick-a-bout.com)  
Visit [www.kick-a-bout.com](http://www.kick-a-bout.com) to view all other venues

🌟 Fully DBS (CRB) checked coaches 🌟 First Aid responders on site  
🌟 Full insurance 🌟 Experienced FA qualified coaches

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please find below a list of current planned visits and some important dates. Further dates will be added in subsequent newsletters. Please note that new dates added are in blue.

Autumn 2025	Term 1
22nd September	Year 1 trip to Copsgrove Farm
24th September	Team Captain Elections
26th September	MacMillan Coffee Morning (9:30am - 11am)
29th September	Year 6 Residential to Isle of Wight (3 nights)
6th October	Year 4-6 Black History workshop with Ronnie McGrath
8th October	Parents' Evening (face to face)
10th October	Hello Yellow Day
15th October	Nasal Flu Vaccine
15th October	Parents' Evening (face to face)
20th October	Harvest Festival (Year 3 and 4 parents invited to watch at 2pm)
21st October	Year 5 and Year 6 STEM Lego workshops
22nd October	Open Morning for 2026 starters
23rd October	Open Morning for 2026 starters
24th October	End of Autumn Term 1
Autumn 2025	Term 2
3rd November	Start of Autumn Term 2
3rd November	Year 5 WWII experience day
4th November	DSP Individual and sibling photos
14th November	Children in Need

3rd December	Christmas DT Sale after school
5th December	Reception Nativity Performance at 2:15pm
10th December	KS1 Christmas Production (1:30pm and 5pm)
15th December	KS2 Christmas Carol Concert at St Matthews Church at 5:30pm (Year 5 and Year 6 parents invited to watch)
16th December	Whole School Christmas Pantomime Trip
17th December	Christmas Parties at school
19th December	End of Autumn Term 2 - finish at midday.

Spring 2026	Term 1
5th January	INSET DAY
6th January	First day of Spring Term 1