

FOXMOOR PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

Summer 1



Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to start this newsletter by saying a huge congratulations to Miss Hayward and her partner, who are expecting their first child in the summer. We look forward to meeting their new arrival in the autumn term.

It has been a very sporty start to the new term. The TSC Mini-Marathon was well attended last Friday. The children had to run eight laps around the track (two miles). The children were amazing, and the way they supported each other was fantastic to see. I inadvertently forgot my running shoes, so was gutted not to be able to take part – maybe next year.

Congratulations to the children who represented the school in the football, rugby, and netball competitions over the past two weeks. The staff commented on the children's teamwork and sportsmanship and they were a great credit to the school.

Good luck to Mrs Spence's dance group, who are competing in the regional round of the Great Big Dance Off on Monday in Bath. I was lucky enough to watch the dress rehearsal today and if you are going to watch, you are in for a treat!

Our Year 6 children will be sitting their end-of-year statutory tests in the week commencing Monday 11th May. It is essential that all children are in school for the whole week.

Can I remind all parents that all requests for absence during term time must be made on the official form which is available from the school office or the school website. This is a Gloucestershire County Council requirement. I am only able to authorise absence in term time in exceptional circumstances.

Finally, after consulting with the full governing board, we have decided to finish early on the last day of the summer term. The children will finish at 12 midday on Friday 17th July.

I hope you have a great weekend, and fingers crossed the sun will continue to shine.

Kind Regards,
Mr Bridgewater



Coming up in the next few weeks...

- 27th March - Great Big Dance Off Regionals
- 28th March - Life Education Bus arrives
- 1st May - Percussion Recital Y3 & Y4
- 4th May - Early May Bank Holiday
- 5th May - Year 4 WeDo Lego Workshop
- 6th May - Year 3 WeDo Lego Workshop

Whole School Attendance

Our whole school attendance this academic year so far is

94.6%.

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 - moments matter, every day counts

Year 3 & 4 Riddiford District Football Finals

Before Christmas, our Y3/4 Football team qualified for the district finals coming 2nd overall. After a few months of bad weather, the finals were played at Shortwood FC. The team played amazingly and after a win, a draw and a loss they came 3rd place. A brilliant achievement for them all - well done! A big thank you to coaches Adi and Jacob who are parents of Jenson and Harry D in Year 4 - we really appreciate your help and coaching.



Year 3 & 4 District Rugby Finals

Well done to our Year 3/4 Rugby team who after getting through to the finals before Christmas, played at the district finals in Stroud on Wednesday evening. They played brilliantly and finished an amazing 2nd!! A big thank you to coaches Adam and Scott who are parents of Jenson and Bradley in Year 3 - we really appreciate your help and coaching. What a wonderful evening of Rugby.



TCS Mini Marathon

We had a wonderful morning last Friday, with pupils running in the schools TCS Mini Marathon. Children from Reception to Year 6 ran 8 laps around the school track, totalling 2 miles. Elias from Year 4 did the 2 miles in just 13 minutes and all the children ran with determination and never gave up. An amazing achievement for all.



Superstars of the week

A huge well done to our Superstars of the last two weeks!



In the last newsletter, we told you about the brilliant job some of the Year 6 children did at the Stroud Mock Trials. In assembly last week, two special prizes were handed out. One to Martha in for 'The Best Magistrate' and one to Flo for 'The Artists Prize'. A huge well done to you both - an amazing achievement.

Reception Chicks!

Some exciting news in Reception - the chicks have hatched in the Reception class and have been moved to their new home. The children have loved watching the chicks hatch and helping the staff take care of them. They have learnt all about feeding the chicks and keeping them safe and have even been able to have a stroke and a hold.



Year 5 and Year 6 Netball Tournament

On Wednesday, our Y5/Y6 netball team went to play in the Atlas Netball tournament at Stratford Park. They played exceptionally well and had great team spirit. Well done girls - you did Foxmoor proud!



**RED
NOSE
DAY**

Thank you for all your donations for Red Nose Day. We raised £188 which has now been paid to the charity. We hope the children enjoyed the day!

FRIENDS OF FOXMOOR COLOUR RUN

EARLY BIRD TICKETS UNTIL
3/5/26

£5 PER PERSON
£18 FAMILY OF 4
£21 FAMILY OF 5

TICKET PRICE AFTER
3/5/26
£6 PER PERSON



Friday 15th May
3:30pm - 5:30pm

Come and join in this fun colour run assault course, suitable for all the family. Powder paint will be thrown around the course as you participate. SUNGLASSES/EYE PROTECTION MUST BE WORN PLEASE BRING THESE WITH YOU TO PARTICIPATE.

Light coloured top recommended.

Refreshments also available to purchase.

Ribston Hall
High School

SHARING AMBITION



Year 4 Open Morning

Tuesday 5th May 2026, 9:15am to 10am

Our Open Morning is designed for Year 4 families who would like a general introduction to grammar schools, and to find out what it's like to attend Ribston Hall High School.

The Open Morning will begin with a talk from our Headteacher who will share information about academic life here at Ribston, followed by a talk from our Deputy Head who will explore the uniqueness of educating girls and our school's approach. Families will also be able to have a short student-guided tour.

Early booking is advised as our events are often over-subscribed.

Please book your place on our website:

www.ribstonhall.gloucs.sch.uk/join-us

Nightingales' Plant Sale

Join us for our plant sale!

Lots of seedlings will be available at 50p each.

Roses and other plants will also be available.



5th May 3:15
behind Little Foxes

All
Seasons
Forest School

Spring
WILD PLAY
HOLIDAY SESSIONS

Ages 5 - 12

EASTER

MARCH 31ST & APRIL 1ST

APRIL 7TH & 8TH

HALF TERM

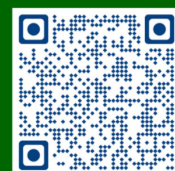
MAY 26TH & 27TH

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When: A range of topics delivered across the year.

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SUN 5 JULY | REDGRAVE THEATRE, BRISTOL

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The Yard Gallery

An Exhibition celebrating 400 Years of the Shambles Market



10 am to 4:30 pm - LATE VIEW FRIDAY 22ND, 5pm to 8pm.

Monday 18th – Saturday 30th May 2026

The Courtyard, Withey's Yard,
55 High Street, Stroud GL5 1AS

Junior Sail Training

2026



Learn to sail safely & with confidence
Ages 7 - 17
Covers all the skills needed to use club facilities and sign up for Junior Week!

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in small groups (6:1)

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Ages 7-12

Sunday mornings 10th May - 28th June

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Ages 10-17

All-day Saturdays 18th April - 16th May

(RYA Stages 3 & 4 also available, see website for info)



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Sat 13 June 2026

10am - 4pm


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across the beautiful
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Rodborough Commons while
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Walk in memory or in support
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music as the walkers set off
and return.



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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.

Summer 2026	Term 1
27th April	The Great Big Dance Off Regionals in Bath
28th April	Life Education visits begins
4th May	Early May bank holiday
5th May	Year 4 We-Do Workshop
6th May	Year 3 We-Do workshop
11th May	SATs week begins
15th May	FOF Colour Run (after school)
18th May	Read with Me 10k (details to follow)
19th May	Year 6 trip to Copsgrove Farm
21st May	FOF Crazy Hair Day
21st May	End of Summer Term 1
22nd May	Inset Day

Summer 2026	Term 2
1st June	Start of Summer Term 2
1st June	Year 5 Bikeability begins
1st June	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (2 week window)
8th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Week
9th June	Musical Soiree

16th June	Whole School Author visit (MP Robertson)
17th June	Kingfishers trip to Stroud Museum
23rd June	Year 5 Archway Activity Morning
23rd June	Year 6 trip to London
25th June	Year 4 overnight residential
26th June	Careers Day for Year 5 and Year 6
27th June	FOF Summer Fayre
29th June	Whole School Sports Day
30th June	Reception School Trip
1st July	Nightingales trip to Stroud Museum
1st July	Open Evening (3:30pm-5pm)
3rd July	Maidenhill Discovery day for Year 6 children going
6th July	Reserve day for Sports Day
14th July	Year 5 and Year 6 Summer Production (Afternoon and Evening)
15th July	Dance Festival at Wycliffe
17th July	Leavers assembly at 9:30am
17th July	End of Summer Term 2 (12 midday finish)

Autumn 2026	Term 1
1st September	Inset Day
2nd September	Inset Day
3rd September	Autumn Term 1 begins