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8th May - Newsletter

Year 6 SATs Week 2025 - Next week

A reminder that SATs week is next week. The Year 6 teaching team is very pleased with the progress made by the children and their positive attitudes to their learning and preparation for the assessments themselves. We know they will continue to display this positivity next week when they complete, along with all Year 6 pupils nationally, these assessments.

Please remember that all Year 6 children are welcome to attend breakfast, at 8am free of charge. This will take place in the school hall, please enter via the main entrance. Thank you to the Year 6 team for organising this.

Superhero Day - Reception

Our Reception children had a great day dressed up as superheroes and took part in some fun superhero tasks. They started the morning out on the field with some important superhero missions.

The children had to use their super strength and super speed to complete these.



Quad Kids Y3/4 Athletics event

A group of Year 3 children went to Tewksbury today to compete in the Quad Kids Y3/4 Athletics event. The children had a brilliant morning and returned to school with a team silver medal!

Special mention to:

Eli - 2nd overall in the boys events.

Molly - 2nd overall in the girls events.

River - 3rd overall in the girls events.

Well done to all the children who represented Dunalley this morning. You were awesome!



September 2025 - Our new starters

It's almost time to meet our new Reception starters at one of our **School Readiness Meetings** with the Early Years' team; these meetings will run for about 30 - 45 minutes, parents and carers only need to attend one of them as the content will be the same.

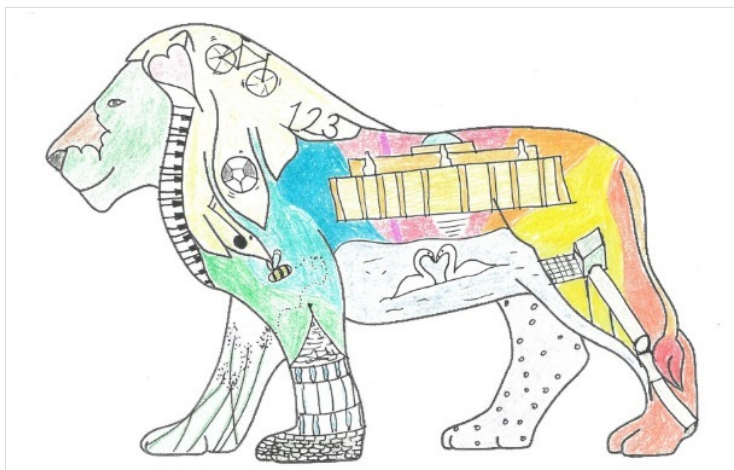
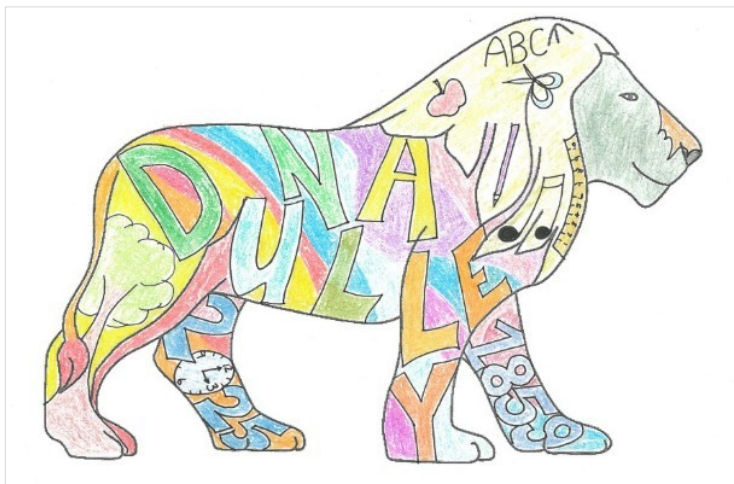
Tuesday 20th May at 9am or Thursday 22nd May at 9am

Help name our Cub Lion

We would like to invite families to submit a name suggestion for our Lions at Large Cub Lion.

Please submit your suggestions via Edulink One, 'ONE OFF FORMS' by 12 noon on Monday 12th May.

Our wonderful design is below:



Dunalley Pantry - Reminder

We would like to remind our families about our **Dunalley Pantry** which aims to help families who are struggling with the cost of living. We have a bank of products that are free to families in need.

Please contact Sam Ashton (our Family Support Worker) if you would like to make use of the pantry, she is more than happy to put a bag of groceries together for you to collect discreetly if you wish. You can drop her an email via [\[email protected\]](#), call her on 01242 512391 (select option 2), or you can catch her at the beginning of the school day at the main entrance.

Use of the Pantry is completely confidential and we can make it work in a way to suit you.

Items available include:

- Long Life milk

- Cereals
- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Tinned veg
- Tea/Coffee
- Bars of soap/Shower gel
- Washing powder/tablets
- Toothpaste
- Deodorant
- Nappies

Volunteers - We need you !

We are currently reviewing our provision for volunteers here at Dunalley and it is a perfect time to apply to join us if this is something you would like to do.

Being a volunteer within a school setting is a very rewarding role. One where you can become a positive role model for children, it can also provide a sense of purpose and a sense of community.

We fully understand and appreciate the pivotal role our volunteers play in the creation of our stimulating learning environment and the development of our pupils.

Our vision is to be the school that empowers all children to embrace learning, achieve their personal best and build their emotional, social and physical well-being.

If you would like more information please visit our website via the link below and complete the application form, or email us at [\[email protected\]](#) with any specific queries.

PTFA News & Updates

CAKE SALE

Thank you to everyone who baked/donated cakes yesterday and to our lovely volunteers for running the sale. We raised £130 for our school!

Rags2Riches Collection 12/05/25

Please bring your donations to school on Monday morning and they will be collected the same day. They don't take school uniform with logos, but we will happily take those donations at the school office. Please check the items you can donate here: [Rags2Riches](#)

CANDYFLOSS FRIDAY 16/05/25

Make sure you come along and treat yourselves to candyfloss, after school on Friday 16th May. For sale in the school playground!

LIDO POOL PARTIES 16th & 17th May

Don't forget that we have tickets available now for our Cheltenham Lido pool parties. A limited number of tickets are [now available on SumUp](#) - please select the correct date and time from the store and ensure that you include the name

and class of your child in the 'message to merchant' box at the checkout.

Please note this event will require parent supervision; please check the adult/child ratios when booking. You are welcome to book tickets for family and friends at this event. Please note that on this occasion, tickets are non-transferable and non-refundable.

[Click here to purchase your tickets.](#)

Important dates for you

Upcoming Events:

22 May 2025	9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	September Starters 2025 - School Readiness
22 May 2025	All Day	Yr2 Visit
21 May 2025	2:45 PM to 3:10 PM	Year 4 - Bread sharing (Design and Technology) - 2.45pm
20 May 2025	9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	September Starters 2025 - School Readiness
16 May 2025	3:10 PM to 3:30 PM	PTFA Candyfloss Friday

Holiday - Free School Meal (FSM) voucher scheme

This May Half Term, Gloucestershire County Council will provide families in receipt of Free School Meals, who sign up to this offer, with vouchers to assist with food costs during the school holidays.

The scheme is for children in reception to year 11 who receive Pupil Premium (benefits-related) free school meals and attend a school in Gloucestershire.

They are unable to consider college and sixth form students, nor children who receive infant free school meals (available to all children from reception to year 2) - they are not eligible for this scheme.

To find out more about the scheme and to apply, parents can visit: [FAQs | Gloucestershire County Council](#)

Families who have signed up previously do not need to re-register for the May Half Term holiday vouchers - you will already have been included. Families that have previously signed up will need to contact them with any changes to their circumstances (e.g. if the number of children eligible increases or decreases). [To ensure they reach all those who are eligible, they are encouraging parents that have not previously signed up, to sign up as soon as they can.](#)

Using vouchers – vouchers need to be used will only be awarded once the parent has registered for the scheme and cannot be backdated. Vouchers are valid for 6 months, although should be used in the holiday period in which they are awarded. If vouchers are not claimed and have expired, they

cannot be re-issued. Vouchers not received should be queried via the Microsoft Form [HERE](#) by the end of the holiday period.

Applications for holiday FSM vouchers for the May Half Term 2025 will be open from the 29th April until midday on 13th May. Voucher emails will be sent from week commencing 19th May.

If parents have not received vouchers by 26th May, please submit a query via the Microsoft Form [HERE](#)

Atlas Holiday Camp

Atlas Camps May Camps (www.atlascamps.co.uk)

With May Half-Term just around the corner, Atlas Camps will be back with our award-winning multi-activity camps – as well as our super popular Football Camps - running throughout the school holidays!

Rated Outstanding by Ofsted, Atlas Camps specialises in multi-activity clubs for children aged 4-14, with two early years settings for 3+ also available. With a focus on fun, activities on offer span everything from arts and crafts to sports and active play, all in a safe, enjoyable environment designed to cater for all. Joining them will be our ever-popular Atlas Camps Sports Academies– ideal for football lovers, with two brand new locations this Easter– allowing footie-mad All-Stars aged 7-14 to hone their sporting skills with drills, games and plenty of FUN.

- Ofsted-rated 'Outstanding'
- Tax-Free Childcare and Childcare Vouchers Accepted
- Early drop-off/ late pick-up options
- Sibling discount and 5th day savings available
- Multi-activity and Football camps

For further information, please watch [this video](#) or check out the attached poster. Head to the Atlas Camps website at www.atlascamps.co.uk to book our multi-activity camps, and www.atlascamps.co.uk/sports-camps to book our sports camps.