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PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
Learning and achieving together



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11th April - Newsletter

## Exceptional Learners



RU - Rose	RR - Keira
1F - Grace E	1HF - Coen
2W - Amira	2SJ - Marley
3A - Charlie	3O - River
4P - Thinuli	4MP - Arthur
5W - Florence P	5R - Effie
6LJ - Eve	6NJ - Fraser

## Lions at Large

A pawsome time was had by all at Pippin's birthday party and fundraiser for 'Lions at Large'.

The exhibition looked splendid with all the wonderful art creations and our lion cub stood proudly over all the work. Pippin did a good job dressed as a baby lion with his fancy,

crochet mane!

Bidding in our silent auction was successful, we hope you enjoy your new artwork. Outside, the fantastic weather meant great fun was had by all playing on the field and refreshments were enjoyed. Lots of donations were gratefully received and have boosted our fundraising total. Thank you



## Wacky Hair Day - For Lions at Large

Wacky Hair Winners:



Reception - Nora-Ann & Alfie
Yr1 - Hasher & Diako
Yr2 - Kyle & Aleena
Yr3 - Phoebe, Millie & Chloe
Yr4 - Theodore & Sophie
Yr5 - Natalie & Eloise
Yr6 - Poppy, Eve & Elsie

Thanks to everyone that has donated and had Wacky Hair today. Our current total is an amazing £3202 with £743.27 Gift Aid plus about £150 cash from today. We are now striving to raise £5000 and donations are welcome via our Just Giving Page: <https://www.justgiving.com/page/dunalley-primary-school-cub-lion>

**Dunalley's fundraiser for Cheltenham and Gloucester Hospitals Charity**

View gallery  
Change cover

61% £3,072 raised of £5,000 target by 149 supporters

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**Lions at Large Learning Programme**  
Campaign by Cheltenham and Gloucester Hospitals Charity (ICN 1051606)

Our Lions at Large Cub Club enables schools and community groups to fundraise for their own little Lion to be part of The Pride of Gloucestershire Trail 2025. Once the trail has finished, the little Lions will return to their forever homes.

Dunalley Primary School is raising money for Cheltenham and Gloucester Hospitals Charity  
Create a team

Story

## New from Lions at Large Headquarters



Hello,

Get ready to let out a mighty *ROAR*, we've got some news to share!

We're letting you in on a *roar-some* secret before anyone else...

We're pawsitively thrilled to announce the dates for this year's wildest adventure yet! Lions at Large is going to be the mane event of the season, and we want YOU to be part of the pride.

From Friday 11th July to Sunday 14th September, the Lions will be standing proud for you to have a roaring good time.

Whether you're ready to pounce on new experiences, hunt for inspiration, or just soak up the safari vibes, get ready to make some roarsome memories.

Now that we've given our fiercest followers the inside scoop, we'll be spreading the word on social media. You can help us roar it from the rooftops by following, liking, and sharing:

Facebook and Instagram:  
@lionsatlargetrail  
#lionsatlarge #findthepride #cghospcharity

With roartastic excitement,  
The Lions at Large Team

## Year 4 trip - Wilson Museum

Year 4 enjoyed a visit to the Wilson Museum in Cheltenham to wrap up their learning of the great Antarctic explorers of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. They studied artefacts from Wilson and other explorers, tried the clothes on that were used (and some replicas) and imagined what it was like to try and see in a snowstorm.

Comments included:

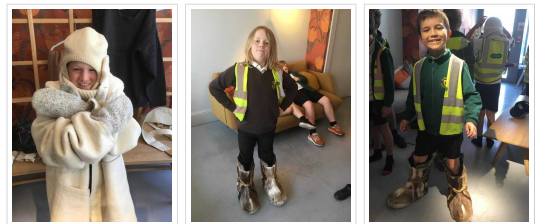
"I thoroughly enjoyed seeing the artefacts and wearing the animal skins." Thomas

"I enjoyed sketching the birds like Wilson – it was peaceful and let my creativity flow." Eve

"I loved the experience of wearing clothes from the other side of the Earth!" Oliver

"I loved meeting Clarence the emperor penguin and making snow goggles as well as drawing the same birds that Edward Wilson found in Antarctica." Dominic

"I really liked walking around and looking at every single sculpture at the Wilson museum and I liked wearing the goggles – it was really fun!" Kroy



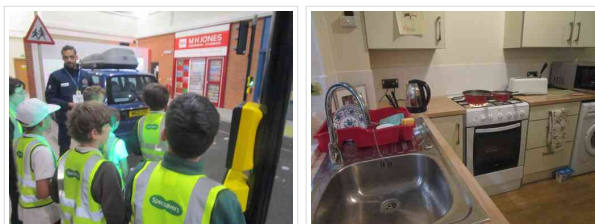
## Year 5 Trip - SkillZone

'On Tuesday, Year 5 travelled to Gloucester's SkillZone.

Children learnt lots of important information about staying safe, including safety in the water, when walking in unknown places, fire safety and how to make an emergency phone call.

They were given a few important pieces of 'homework' including to check for smoke alarms in their own homes and to draw up an evacuation plan with their families.

They were also advised to download the WhatThreeWords App so that emergency services would be able to find them if they or a family member needed help in an emergency.'



## Attendance & Punctuality Reminder

Arriving at school on time is vital. Arriving late to school disrupts the child, their peers and teacher. Punctuality is also essential at the end of the school day and the late collection of children is taken seriously.

Our start and finish times are as follows. We expect children to be in school all day, every day:

- Children in reception, year 1 and year 2 will start school at 8.40am and finish at 3.10pm
- Children in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will start school at 8.45am and finish at 3.15pm.

Dunalley Primary School expects the highest attendance and punctuality from all pupils, at all times.

### Attendance Register

The law requires that we also take the attendance register at the start of each morning session of each school day and once during each afternoon session. We will confirm the afternoon register at the end of the school day, immediately prior to home time. On each occasion, we record whether each registered pupil is physically present in school or, if not, the reason they are not in school using the appropriate national attendance and absence codes from regulation 10 of the [School Attendance \(Pupil Registration\) \(England\) Regulations 2024](#).

Arriving before 8.50am = / code - arrived at school on time.

Arriving between 8.50am and 9.20am = L code - late arrival before the registers close.

Arriving after 9.20am = U code - late arrival after registers have closed.

Arriving at school but leaving before 3.10pm KS1 or 3.15pm KS2 = will result in the correct code, linked to the reason given for leaving, being allocated retrospectively.

Leaving school at 3.10pm KS1 or 3.15pm KS2 = \ code - left school at the end of the school day.

## Enjoying OPAL & the spring sunshine today

It was such a lovely lunch time today, there were lots of wacky hair styles and fun being had during OPAL Play, the teachers were enjoying the sunshine too.

Thank you so much for all of the recent donations, please do keep them coming though, we need lots and lots.



## Important Dates Coming Up . . .

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
09 May 2025	2:45 PM to 3:10 PM	2.45pm Phonics screening check information session for families (year 1 only)
09 May 2025	All Day	Yr3 & Yr4 Move More Quad Kids Athletics
08 May 2025	3:10 PM to 3:30 PM	PTFA CAke Sale
07 May 2025	All Day	Yr4 Visitor - Those History People
06 May 2025	All Day	Reception - Superhero Dress Up Day
05 May 2025	All Day	Bank Holiday

## Fresh HOPE Cycle Project

# CYCLE PROJECT



Wednesdays  
12pm - 4pm

**Do you have a bike that needs repairing or servicing?**  
Drop into School House Cafe where we have an amazing team of volunteers! We also sell bikes at affordable prices! Not staying long? Why not rent a bike?

Enjoy bikes and mechanics? Come down and have a chat about volunteering!



Fresh Hope's Cycle Project is located in **School House Cafe!** So why not grab yourself a warm cuppa or something tasty to eat! Lots of great deals, homemade treats and events! We even have table tennis, books & boardgames!



For questions contact  
School House Cafe:  
jude@freshhope.co

Or go to the Cycle Project  
page on our website:  
<https://www.schoolhousecafe.co.uk/cycle-project/>

We are pleased to let you know that Lauren Garraghan, a member of staff at Dunalley is taking part in the Everyman's, family friendly showing of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory during the Easter holidays. There are two afternoon shows next week.

If you are free, pop along and see her in action.



And finally ...



Stay safe and have a

fabulous Easter Holiday.

We will see you on **Monday 28th April**.

From us all here at Dunalley.

## Atlas Camps - Easter Holidays

Atlas Camps will be running their award-winning holiday clubs this Easter, with a selection of places still available to book!

Rating Outstanding by Ofsted, Atlas Camps specialise in multi-activity clubs for children ages 4-14. 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.

Highlights include:

- Ofsted rated 'outstanding'
- Childcare vouchers accepted from a variety of providers
- Early drop-off/ late pick-up options
- Sibling discount available

For further information, please watch this video <https://atlas camps.co.uk/promo/generic-16x9.mp4> or check out the attached poster.

Head to the Atlas Camps website at [www.atlas camps.co.uk](http://www.atlas camps.co.uk) to book.

## Showing at The Everyman