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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you have all had a lovely Easter break and have been out enjoying the spring sunshine and warmer weather. The children have settled so well into the new term and have been out enjoying the sun, having fun and learning loads. Coaley is an even more magical place in the summer term, with the outside space coming into full use; we love making the most of the field and woodlands in the school grounds.

There is a busy term ahead and I want to give you a few dates so you can plan and see what's coming up. There will be more details about most of the dates sent out nearer the time.

- **w/c 9th May:** Y6 SATs week. Mrs Lowe will send out a separate message to all Y6 parents on additional plans for the week.
- **May:** Y2 children will undertake their KS1 SATs assessments. We will conducting these during May and it is likely that the children won't even know they are doing them!
- **Friday 27th May:** Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebration: FOCS would like to have a 'street party' in school for all the children in the afternoon, from 2.30pm. Children will be asked to wear: red, white and blue – more details to follow
- **Thursday 9th June:** New Reception parent evening for 2022 intake – a separate letter will go out about this, including dates for 'stay-and-play' sessions
- **Tuesday 14th June:** Y6 Leaving Celebration at Gloucester Cathedral
- **Saturday 25th June:** the legendary Coaley-Fest
- **w/c 27th June:** Owls Residential trip
- **w/c 11th July:** Sports enrichment week, including:
 - Sports day: **Monday 11th July** (or reserve Tuesday 12th July)
 - To include a whole school picnic with parents at lunchtime – more details to follow
 - Whole school trip: **Wednesday 13th July**
- **Thursday 21st July:** last day of term: school ends one earlier than usual

And finally, I'd like to welcome Mrs Rachael Clark to the Coaley family. Rachael is our super new Teaching Assistant, working across the Starlings and Robins classes as Mrs Street did. Rachael has made a super start to her time at Coaley, getting stuck into life at school, getting to know the children and helping them to learn loads. I know she will do well and be a success at Coaley.



I hope you have a lovely restful long weekend

Yours

Richard Lucas
Executive Headteacher



News from Forest School



Well, what a busy term last term was! Spring had arrived bringing with it some welcome warmth only to disappear again with the cold winds and rain. Did this stop everyone getting outside for Forest School.... of course not!

Robins Class have been exploring the natural world and have made the most fabulous food chains out of wooden discs. Hopefully they arrived home safely. Starlings have been developing their own folklore stories in celebration of World Book Day and made some characters for their stories out of clay and natural materials found in the wood. They told some interesting and varied tales this week. They also had some fun building shelters when it suddenly started to snow! Owls have been very busy

developing their forest school skills, fire, tools use, learning difference knots and shelter building. They have also been helping clear the new forest school area. We have some big plans so watch this space!

Everyone worked very hard. Well done to all and I'm really looking forward to this current term.

Emma



Bag to School collection.

This year we are doing a bag to school collection of clothes on the 9th May 2022

We are collecting good quality, reusable clothes. Please see the poster at the end of the newsletter and in the notice board.

Rags 2 Riches will pay 40p a kilo for reusable clothes that people will want to buy and wear as affordable clothing around the world - all clothes need to be something you'd wear out yourself or pass on to friends and family.



Coaley Produce show – 80th Anniversary

Plant sale and swap 1st and 2nd May – See poster

The children will also be doing some artwork in school for the summer plant show – ideas to follow.

Proud Cloud Certificates:

Robins: Ellanore, Charlotte and Zeliha

Starlings: Kalla

Owls: Arthur

Values Certificates:

Robins: Abigail

Starlings: Ffion

Owls: William

Growth Mindset Certificates:

Robins: Ruby for carefully forming her letters

Starlings: Anna Mae for working really hard to improve her handwriting this week

Owls: Iyla for keeping going when adding fractions with different denominators

Friday 29th – 2nd Instalment due for Owl's residential - £55

Monday 2nd May – Bank holiday

3rd to 5th May – Year 5 Bikeability

9th to 16th May – Y6 SATS week

Monday 9th May – Rages to Riches collection

10th & 11th May – Marling Open Mornings

Wednesday 18th May – Class Photographs

Friday 27th May – 3rd Instalment due for Owl's residential - £55

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Last day of Term 5

Monday 6th June – First day of Term 6

Thursday 9th – New Parents Evening 6pm

Tuesday 14th June – Year 6 Leavers' service at Gloucester Cathedral

Friday 24th – Final Instalment due for Owl's residential - £50

Saturday 25th June – CoaleyFest

27th to 29th June – Owls' residential to Kilve Court

Monday 11th – Sports Day

Wednesday 13th – Whole School Trip

18th to 20th July – Year 6 Bikeability

Thursday 21st July – Final day of the academic year

Please note- Dates and times are subject to change, and depend on Covid restriction updates. We will advise you of any changes as soon as possible.

WE ARE COALEY - We Believe We Respect We Belong

Raise funds by collecting reusable clothes



Our school is raising money by collecting reusable clothes.

Please help us by donating your unwanted reusable clothes and accessories.
Donated items become affordable clothing and accessories.

Items that **CAN** go in the bags

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adult's clothes and children's clothes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Belts and handbags |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paired shoes and footwear | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jewellery and accessories |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Soft toys and unwanted gifts | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bedding and household linen |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bath and hand towels | |
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Items that **CAN'T** go in the bags

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SCHOOL UNIFORM | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SCHOOL SPORTS KIT |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CURTAINS, PILLOWS OR DUVETS | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BRIC-A-BRAC OR BOOKS |

If you are unsure what to put in the bags

STOP AND THINK
WOULD YOU WEAR IT?

Please use the clothing bag provided.
You can also use any additional bag if required.

Collection Date:

Monday 9th May

Please remember - NO UNIFORM



PLEASE NOTE THAT NO SPECIFIC BAG IS BEING PROVIDED FOR THE COLLECTION THIS YEAR, SO PLEASE JUST USE ANY SPARE BAG THAT YOU HAVE.

St Bartholomew's Church, Coaley

Words and Music for Ukraine

**Sunday May 8th
3pm**

**Free concert followed by tea, cake
& a chance to chat
Collection for DEC in aid of Ukraine**



The Crypt School

The Co-educational Grammar School in Gloucester

Y5 Taster Days

Monday, 11th & Tuesday, 12th July 2022

We would like to invite Y5 children to our Taster Days in July from 9.30am-2.00pm. The day will comprise of 4 lessons, with plenty of time for the children to become accustomed to the surroundings and to socialise with their potential Year 7 classmates.

The Taster Day will be a fabulous opportunity for your child to learn about secondary school life at The Crypt School.

Registration is on-line, please visit the school website

<https://www.cryptschool.org/admissions/open-events/book-a-taster-day>

Places are limited and registration will close automatically once capacity has been reached or 3rd of June 2022

Coaley Produce Show – 80th Anniversary

Plant Trail Swap & Sale

1 & 2 May 2022

Swap a plant of similar size or buy a plant by donation in cash or by bank transfer.

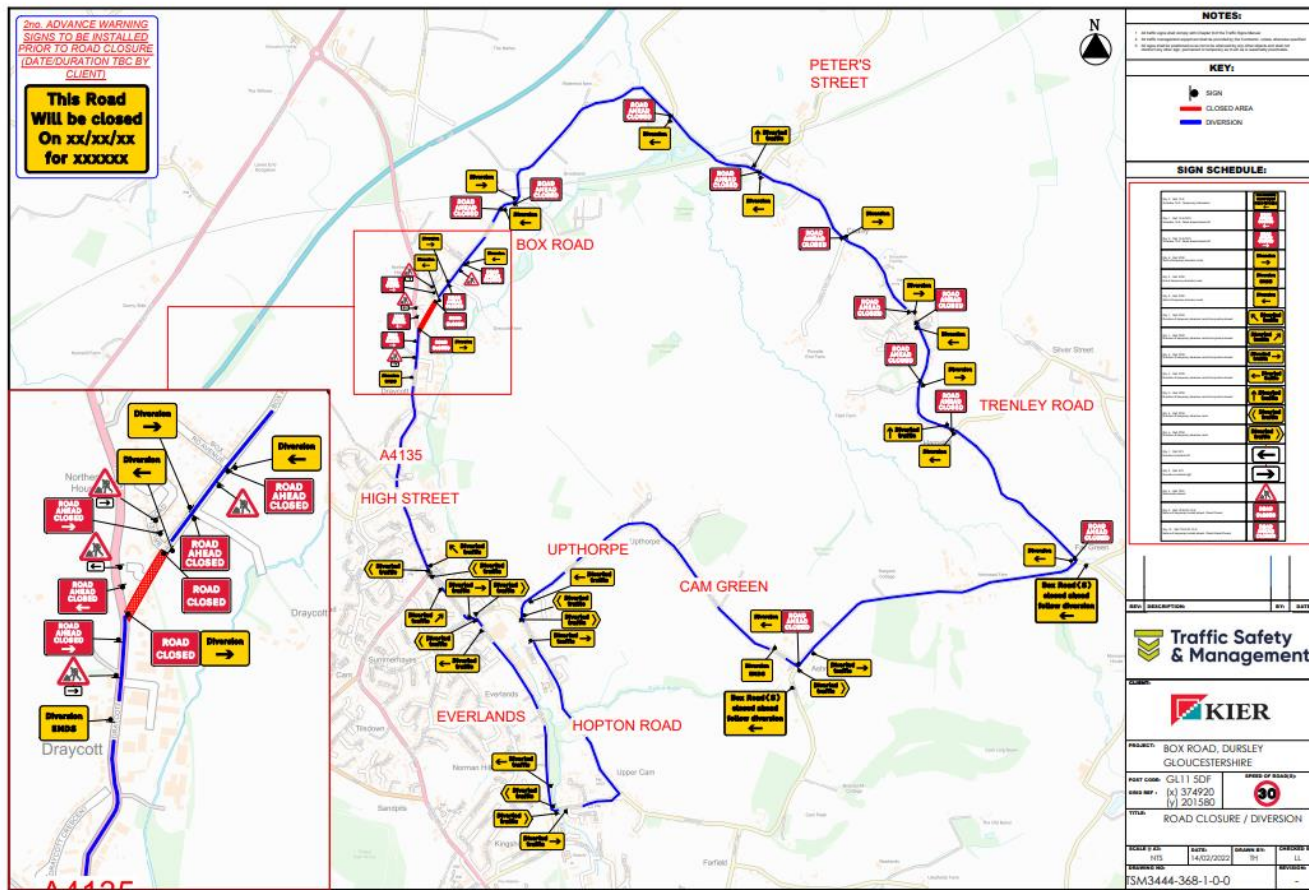
Tables will be situated at The Street, Hams Hill, Far Green, The Ham, Silver Street & Trenley Road. Maps provided.



Delicious tea and cakes by Coaley WI at the Village Hall.

Bring your own bags. Parking is available at the Coaley Village Hall and a Plant Crèche too. Funds raised will be given to local groups.

More information at: www.coaleyproduce.org.uk



Planned Road Closures

Box Road, Cam

This road will be closed (as per the attached plan) from the 3rd May 2022 to the 6th May 2022. This is to allow for works on behalf of Western Power Distribution.

Emergency access cannot be maintained due to excavations blocking carriageway.

The map isn't very clear so If you require further information regarding this closure please email

streetworks@gloucestershire.gov.uk