



## Coaley Church of England Academy

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### As a family, we flourish

*Love everyone as I have loved you: John 15: 12*

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

We hope everyone has had a good week and are looking forward to the weekend.

We had a lovely morning in the church this week for Harvest festival and we hope you enjoyed all of our enthusiastic singing and readings.

Robins class did the wonderful Harvest Song, Starlings did Prayer readings and Owls did poems.

This week saw the elections take place for our new eco council. Their first job was to re-think how we recycle across the school with the addition of some new bins.

A shout out for spare clothes – if you have any spare pants or leggings/joggers at home, could we have a few for school for spares. We would be very grateful as occasionally we need some spare and it's handy to have a little stock.

Congratulations to our Produce show cup winners who were presented with their awards at worship last Friday and the whole school were given rulers from the committee.

Yours

The Coaley Team



Thank you to everyone who donated, we raised £9.25 for school funds

**Congratulations to our Produce show winners**

Key stage 1 winner Mo, Key stage 2 runners up Jasmine and Ffion and winner Juno.





A big well done to Clementine for doing a reading in church last weekend in front of the whole congregation.

**Proud Cloud Certificates:**

**Robins: Savannah**

**Starlings: Dakota**

**Owls: Tess and Arya**

**Value Certificates:**

**Robins: Louie**

**Starlings: Aiden**

**Owls: Theo**

**Growth Mindset Certificates:**

**Robins: Jacobi for excellent rhyming when listening to the scarecrows wedding**

**Starlings: Ronnie for working hard on his hand writing and responding to feedback.**

**Owls: Oscar for always putting 100% into everything you do**

## **School Calendar Dates**

### **October**

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Small schools rugby festival – letters have gone out with details**

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Parents evening – 3.30pm until 5.30pm**

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October - Parents evening – 4.00pm until 6.30pm**

**Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October – Transfer to secondary forms should have been completed by year 6 parents**

### **November**

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November – Bonfire night special menu – Details to follow**

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November – Open morning for families wishing to join Coaley in the 24/25 school year –  
Details to follow**

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November – Individual and family photos**

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November – Small schools football festival for KS2 – Details to follow**

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November – Flu vaccine – Please complete and return the consent form**

### **December**

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Play - Afternoon performance at 1.30pm and evening  
performance at 6pm**

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Small schools Netball festival for KS2 – Details to follow**

**\*\*All parents are invited to join us for Worship each Friday at 2.45pm in the School Hall\*\***

*Please note - Dates and times are subject to change. We will advise you of any changes as soon as possible.*

**AS A FAMILY, WE FLOURISH.**



## **Consultation on school admission arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools (GCC Schools) Academic Year 2025/2026**

The School Admissions Code 2021 requires all admission authorities to consult upon their admission arrangements if changes are to be made or if there are no changes, at least once every 7 years. Gloucestershire County Council, as the admission authority for all Community (C) and Voluntary Controlled (VC) schools last consulted upon their admission arrangements in 2016, therefore we are now due a full consultation.

### **The current oversubscription criteria give priority in the following order:**

1. A 'looked after child' or a child who was previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangements order or special guardianship order (1) including those who appear to the admission authority to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
2. Children who will have siblings attending the school at the time the applicant child is admitted.
3. Children with the strongest geographical claim, measured in a straight line from the Ordnance Survey address point of the child's home address (including flats) to the Ordnance Survey address point of the school, using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority.

**We will not be making any changes to these admission arrangements for the academic year 2025-2026 therefore the priority for admission to Community and Voluntary Controlled schools in Gloucestershire will remain the same as above.**

The link to this consultation is

<https://haveyoursaygloucestershire.uk.engagemthq.com/school-admission-arrangements-2025-consultation>

One of our schools is also consulting on a reduction of their Published Admission Number for 2025. The link for this consultation is

<https://haveyoursaygloucestershire.uk.engagemthq.com/beece-green-primary-school-school-admission-consultation>

If you have any comments to make about the admission arrangements for 2025-2026, please do so via the consultation page.

Named points of contact;  
Holly Ryland and Amanda Johns

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CHEERLEADING, STREET HOCKEY, ULTIMATE FRIZBEE, CRICKET,  
MUSICAL THEATRE, DODGEBALL, ATHLETICS  
AND MORE

Monday 30th Oct - Friday 3rd Nov

[THE-SPORTS-PROJECT.CLASSFORKIDS.CO.UK/CAMP/36](http://THE-SPORTS-PROJECT.CLASSFORKIDS.CO.UK/CAMP/36)

CLICK ON THE LINK OR COPY IT INTO YOUR BROWSER  
TO BOOK.

**INDIVIDUAL DAYS £18**  
**5 DAY BLOCK £80**

The PE & Sports Project uses elite level coaching practice, to provide the children with a fun, engaging, successful and positive experience.

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Message from Gloucestershire County Council Children and Families hub

For the Summer school holiday period, Gloucestershire County Council (GCC) will provide families in receipt of Free School Meals, vouchers to assist with food costs during the school holidays. The vouchers are funded through grant funding and is separate to that of term time free school meals.

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. **We are unable to consider college and sixth form students as well as children who receive infant free school meals (available to all children in reception to year 2); they are not eligible for this scheme.**

**Parents who have signed up previously do not need to re-register** - you will already have been included. To ensure we reach all those who are eligible, we are encouraging parents that have not previously signed up, to sign up as soon as they can.

If you have any updates to an existing application, please email [childrensfund@gloucestershire.gov.uk](mailto:childrensfund@gloucestershire.gov.uk) so that we can update your details, as this is not an automatic process.

Applications for Holiday Free School Meal vouchers for the October half term are open from midday 03 October until midday 17 October. Voucher emails will be sent out week commencing 23 October. Please check your junk/spam email folders during this period as sometimes the vouchers end up there. If you have not received vouchers by the 25 October, please email [childrensfund@gloucestershire.gov.uk](mailto:childrensfund@gloucestershire.gov.uk).

Please note we check eligibility for the scheme by cross-referencing with the term-time free school meal register, so please make sure you are registered.

For more information and to sign up, please visit our website - [Holiday School Meal vouchers](#).



**LONGFIELD**  
Community Hospice

# Run the Rainbow

**Saturday 14 October 2023**  
**Cotswold Airport**

Prices  
from  
£10

Get ready for powdered paint, foam, music, and inflatables as this 5k route turns you into a kaleidoscope of colour.

Run, walk or even skip through this fun-filled family challenge for a brilliant local cause.



[longfield.org.uk/run-the-rainbow](http://longfield.org.uk/run-the-rainbow)

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**Key Stage 2 girls...**  
Join us for Stroud High School Open Evening  
Thursday 12 October 5-7.30pm  
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