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NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 2022

Welcome back!

We hope everyone had a wonderful holiday!

Curriculum Topic Planners



Last term's topic continues until the end of this term for Classes 5 and 6. Classes 1 and 2 start a new topic of 'Terrific Tales!' and Classes 3 and 4 continue with the same topic covering different areas of the curriculum - Parents will find topic planners on the school website.

Remembrance Day Poppies



Poppies are now on sale in school - teachers will be selling them in their classrooms at a set time every day until Friday 11th November. If you would like your child to purchase a poppy, please send donations in with them (with paper poppies being 20p, reflectors and zip pulls 50p, wristbands £1.00 and snap bands £1.50).

We will be holding a minute's silence in school at 11.00 a.m. on Friday 11th November.

'Operation Christmas Child' Boxes



Thank you to all those parents who have supported this appeal and made an individual box with their child/children.

National anti-bullying week takes place the week beginning Monday 14th November, the theme being 'Reach Out' this year, On Monday 14th we will be taking part in 'Odd Socks Day' and celebrating what makes us all unique, so would appreciate it if the children could wear odd socks to school on this day please.



Children in Need

We shall be raising money for Children in Need by holding a 'Wear something Yellow' day on Friday 18th November. We would like the children to come in to school in wearing something yellow e.g. T-shirt, Dress, Socks on this day. We would love it if parents could donate £1.00 towards this worthy cause.

We have been busy during half term! All of the carpets in the school have been cleaned and we have painted the Dinner Hall walls and have new furniture in there too.

Christmas Dates



Details of Christmas events will be sent home later this month in our December newsletter.

Admission to the Junior School September 2023

Year 2 Parents will shortly receive a letter detailing the admissions process for transfer to the Junior School for next September. All Year 2 parents should complete the on-line application form by midnight on **Sunday 15th January 2023** – full details within the Admissions letter.

School Intake September 2023

The same admission process applies to parents of pupils due to start school in September 2023. If you have a child or know of anyone who has a child who intends to start at this school in September 2023, please ask them to contact the school to register their child. Thank you.



Adverse Weather Conditions

As winter approaches please can we remind you about our general procedures regarding possible school closure in the event of severe weather:

1. Closure of the school will be posted on the school website www.coalway-inf.gloucs.sch.uk
2. If there is heavy snowfall overnight you will be contacted by ParentMail by 8.15 a.m. the next day informing you of closure of the school.
3. If you have not received a ParentMail message you may check by telephoning the school after 8.30 a.m. to check if the school is open.
4. Listen to Radio Gloucestershire - FM 104.7 and/or Heart Gloucestershire (formerly Severn Sound) - FM 102.4; AM 774. They will give news about school closures.
5. Access the Gloucestershire website to view the list of schools that are closed www.glosclosedschools.com
6. It may be necessary for the school to close during the course of the day. In that case, it is very important that we have an emergency contact number as a ParentMail message will be sent in the first instance.

School Photos

Individual school photographs were taken on Thursday 13th October. Parents should now be able to view the proofs online using their child's unique code and be able to order directly with Academy Portraits. Please note that for free delivery to school, the deadline for orders is **Sunday 13th November**.

Class Teacher Appointment Mrs Grindle will be retiring after 33 years teaching at Coalway, we would like say a big thank you to her, however, we will still see Mrs Grindle as she will be coming back in January to cover PPA.

We are delighted to announce that we have appointed a new member of staff to join our team next year. Mrs Savage will be joining us as Class 5 teacher in January. She is very excited about starting at Coalway, we look forward to introducing her to you very soon.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

November

11 th	Remembrance Day
Monday 14 th	Odd Socks Day
Friday 18 th	Children in Need 'wear something yellow' day