



## School News

- Welcome back - we hope you had a lovely break.
- It is with mixed emotions that we announce that Mrs Cross has been appointed as Deputy Head at St Whites. She will take up post on a full time basis in September but will be spending two days a week with them in June and July. We will truly miss her and the enormous contribution that she makes to the school, but we are also thrilled for her. We are beginning the recruitment process for a new teacher and will, of course, keep you informed.
- We have sent out preferences for the Parents' Evenings in March – please note that the times are the same on both evenings and the format has changed slightly in that parents will be invited to wait outside the classrooms instead of in the hall. Hopefully this will help parents to be seen as close to their allotted time as possible!
- Forest School for KS1 starts on 1<sup>st</sup> March: Class 2 in the morning and Class 1 in the afternoon.
- Red Nose Day is on 15<sup>th</sup> March – there will be a special menu that day and we are hoping all children will wear something red for a donation to Comic Relief.



## MEASLES

There have been 62 confirmed cases between October 2012 and January 2013 in Gloucestershire alone – a significant increase. Measles is caused by a very infectious virus and about one in every 15 children with measles will develop more serious complications: ear and chest infections, fits, diarrhoea, encephalitis and brain damage. For more information about immunisation, see [www.immunisation.nhs.uk](http://www.immunisation.nhs.uk) or [www.hpa.org.uk](http://www.hpa.org.uk)

## School Dates

- 26<sup>th</sup> February - FoSM Meeting 3pm
- 8<sup>th</sup> March - Mother's Day After School Club and Cake Sale
- 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> March - Parents' evenings 3.40-6.30pm
- 15<sup>th</sup> March - Red Nose Day
- 22<sup>nd</sup> March - Easter service at school and last day of term
- 8<sup>th</sup> April - School returns
- 24<sup>th</sup> May - Sponsored walk from school to Beechenhurst and half term starts
- 14<sup>th</sup> June - Sports day
- 19<sup>th</sup> July - Leavers' service and last day of term



Lydney Golf Club are offering FREE golf taster sessions at the RB driving range in March starting Monday 4<sup>th</sup> 6pm – 7pm. Equipment supplied. For details contact Mark Robinson on 07863 289100 or Richard Ballard on 07779 712323.



Please vote for Gloucester City and Folk Museum in the national Museums at Night competition by logging onto [gloucestermuseums.co.uk](http://gloucestermuseums.co.uk). We use a large number of their resources during the year and it would be great to support them.



Hale & Co have very kindly donated to the school some preservative for our fencing. As a local business, they have been very generous over the years and we do appreciate their support.



### *This week's Steam Mills Superstars:*

#### *Class 1*

*Jayden Murrell and Archie Rossiter*

#### *Class 2*

*Chad Burrows and Ruben Grant*

#### *Class 3*

*Nathaniel Ellis and Shannon Roberts*

#### *Class 4*

*Jay Wedley and Shannon Wozencroft*