



Dear Parents/Carers,

Celebrations all round for 'Nurture'.

Yesterday was a special day as Helen Stollery (Lead Assessor for the Nurture Group Network) presented our school with the Marjorie Boxall Quality Mark. A key moment was when some of our children acted out what a "typical" day looked like for the nurture group. This itself is an amazing achievement and shows how much progress and confidence the children have made.



It was fantastic to welcome back

Tony, John and Neal, three Year 8 pupils from Dean Academy. These boys were part of our first group who benefited from this provision. All three of them explained how their lives had been improved by the support of Yorkley School, Mrs Phillips and Mr Frost.



Thank you to Les and Julie Cogle, Carina Greenwood, Pat Woolliscroft, Jacky Frost, David Morgan from Coleford Co-Op and Tesco's store Lydney for all giving our children opportunities out of school to develop key skills. We also thanks Alan Castle and Chris Wood (governors) who have spent so much time in school with the children.



Extreme Reading Challenge Winners:

Many thanks to Kim Chester (School Governor) who selected 5 winning images for our extreme reading challenge. It was fantastic this year to see so many entries, including some from playgroup. Congratulations go to Daniel & Emily, Ben, Aston, Poppy and Chloe who each received a £5 reading voucher.



Creative Homework

Reminder children have until 3rd July to complete their final creative homework for the year. If your child has lost the letter, there are spares available at the main entrance or on the school website under the letter section.

Attendance: Whole school target for each class is 97% (Green hit their targets).

Overall winners:	Week beginning 15 th May	Week beginning 22 nd May
Class 1	97.69%	90.70%
Class 2	96.55%	98.28%
Class 3	100% again - Fantastic	95.83%
Class 4	95.38%	95.00%
Class 5	97.04%	95.93%

Star of the Week:

19th May



- Class 1 Keelan
- Class 2 Dillon
- Class 3 Jaya
- Class 4 Chloe
- Class 5 Kieran

26th May



- Cameron
- Finley
- Carla
- Tiana
- Cole

House points:

19th May

Blue 142, Red 128, Green 121 and Yellow 119

26th May

Green 208, Blue 173, Yellow 135, and Red 132

Effort Marks:

Congratulations to Emily Cummings who became the first pupil to reach 20 Effort Marks this year. Since then Evie Mapps, Charlie Wellsted and Ffion Wood have also achieved 20. Children have 6 more weeks to join this prestigious group!

3rd Residential Payment:

The next deadline for the Condover Hall payment is 30th June however payments can come in before this date. The third payment is £60 bringing the total required so far to £160. If you are struggling with payments please inform the school sooner rather than later so we can try and help with support.

Class 3 - Great end to their topic!



Class 3 went to the local forest to help them see nature as art and how light can create some amazing shapes and shadows. "We all practised staying safe in the forest, had some fun games then used the Ipad's in our groups to take photos of where light, dark and shadows made interesting shapes and colours. These were then used back at class to inspire the children in creating their own natural art" - Scarlett. The children also gathered lots of natural materials from the forest to create their own recyclable, natural art on the playground.

To finish their topic on 'How deep can you mine?' Antony Dufort (Parent and Governor) came in to talk about his mining sculptures and how he researched the life of a coalminer to inspire his initial drawings of the sculptures. He brought in sketches, artefacts, pieces of the original wax casts and a DVD of the whole process. The children were awestruck to know how long the whole process took and thought that Mr Dufort must have a lot of patience! A big thank you for taking the time to talk to class 3.



Five of our pupils and three staff enjoyed a night out underground at Clearwell Caves. Every visitor got to make their own 'Nellie' before having a go at carrying it in their mouths while listening to old miners tales, like miners had to back in the coal mining days.



Library trip

Class 3 recently went on a visit to Lydney Library; for some children this was their first visit to their local library. Everyone enjoyed looking at the books, listening to and joining in with the librarian who read several stories including one about a King with some very special knickers!

Those children who had filled in an application for a library card, each brought home a book to read and return later to swap for a new book.

If you would like your child (or the whole family) to join the lending library, pop along and fill in a form; it's all free as long as you return what you borrow on time!

The Summer Reading Challenge is a great way to get involved with the library; more information on this will follow later in the term. Did you know you can borrow EBooks and much more at the library?

Archery:

On 25th May, nine of our children participated in their first archery competition. Due to the nature of the sport, this is the only competition we can't prepare for so nerves on the day are always high. All the children had great fun, with many of them hitting the bulls eye at least once. Congratulations to Lydney C of E who were the overall winners out of the 13 schools who entered.



Rounders:



Mr Tomley and parents supported eleven of our pupils at Dean Academy just before half term in the rounders tournament. Great team work was displayed with the opposition being caught out on several occasions. Nine schools entered in total. Yorkley played against Blakeney, Offa's Mead, Parkend and Ellwood and came 2nd with Ellwood winning overall.

Safeguarding linked to clubs:

Recently we have seen an increase of children (mainly upper juniors) opting out of clubs they have previously signed up for on the night of the club. For safeguarding reasons the school office and club leader must be informed in advance so time isn't wasted trying to track the child down once they get home. We also have a waiting list for most clubs, so if any child no longer wants to attend we can offer their place to the next in line.

Kind regards

K. Burke

Mrs K Burke

Community News:



**Lydney Town Youth
Players Needed
For the 2017-18
Season**

Join in the fun with
**Lydney Town Youth
Under 9's & Under 10's**
School Year 4 & 5

A great way to make friends
and enjoy football!!

For details call or text:
Gareth (under 9) 07807 078292
Stuart (under 10) 07771 626747

Clubs in Summer Term 2017

	Mondays 3.00 - 4.00	Tuesdays 3.00 - 4.00	Wednesdays 3.00 - 4.00	Thursdays 3.00 - 4.00	Fridays 3.00 - 4.00
After School:	Eco Club FREE Year 2-6 Mrs Payne	GPJ Multi-Sports (Selected juniors only for competitions within the term). FREE Mr Tomley	Country Dancing FREE Years 3-6 Miss Agg	Summer Sports Years 2-6 FREE Mr Tomley	No clubs

'WAKE AND SHAKE' - We will be continuing with our 'Wake and Shake' morning programme to promote an active way to start the day in readiness to learn. However due to the introduction of the daily mile, **'Wake and shake' will take place on Fridays only. Time 8.30-8.40**

Please can all children attending line up at the side hall entrance (disco entrance). Do not go onto the school yard. **Please note if your child is not in Wake and Shake they are not allowed into class before 8.40 a.m.**

Playleaders are always out every lunchtime overseeing equipment and teaching new games.

Children in Years 5 and 6 can walk home after school; this is up to parents' discretion and how far you live from the school. A parent/carer letting the class teacher know verbally is fine alternatively, send in a signed letter.

IMPORTANT DATES - KEEP THIS SHEET ON FRIDGE!**Summer Term 2:**

Monday 5 th June	Children back in school
Thursday 8 th June	Nurture Award Presentation (morning)
Friday 9 th June	Book Fair 3.00 - 3.30
Mon 12 th June	Class 5 junior wardens week
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Wed 14 th June	Book Fair 3.00 - 3.30 and 5.30 - 6.00
Wed 14 th June	Bedtime story session 5.30 - 6.00
NEW: 15 th June	New Parents (Reception 2017) welcome for coffee 2.15 - 2.55
Friday 16 th June	Wear something purple in support of 'Relay for life' Cancer support (£1 donations)
NEW: 19 th June	Panathlon Plate Finals - Stroud
Tues 20 th June	Sports day (fingers crossed for dry weather)
Wed 21 st June	Year 5 Taster day at Dean Academy
Thu 22 nd June	Country Dancing Festival at Speech House 6.00 - 8.30
Tues 27 th June	Reserve Sports day (hopefully not needed)
Tue 27 th - Fri 30 th	Year 6 out at Wyedean (Transition) - if attending this school.
Thu 29 th June	Reserve Country Dancing date (see above)
Mon 3 rd July	Year 5 Taster day at Wyedean School
Tues 4 th July	Clarinet Concert to all junior parents 2.15 start. (Coffee and cake from 2.00)
Thu 6 th July	Parents information evening - the changing curriculum (in the meeting children will also find out their class/teacher for the next year)
Mon 10 th - Fri 14 th July	Year 6 out a Dean Academy all week - if attending this school.
NEW: Tues 11 th July	New entrants Parents Meeting 7.00 pm Class 1
Wed 12 th - Fri 14 th July	Moving up days whole school (Transition)
Mon 17 th July	Year 6 leavers day. Severnbanks hosting for all 5 local schools
Tues 18 th July	Final year reports out to parents
Wed 19 th July	Year 6 leavers' assembly 2.00 for parents with toddlers
	Year 6 leavers' assembly 6.00 parents only
Thur 20 th July	Year six leavers' party
Thur 20 th July	PTA disco 6.30 - 8.00
Tues 25 th July	Last day of term

Children restart Tuesday 5th September 2017

Yorkley School Job Vacancies:

- Midday Supervisor
- School Cleaner

(Starting date ASAP or September 2017)

It is possible for us to appoint the same candidate for both of these posts.
1 Year Fixed Term Contract for each post with a probation period.
Possibility of becoming permanent at a later date

Closing date: 16th June
Interview date: 21st June

Midday Supervisor required for 6 hours per week.

Grade C (pts 7-11) £15,115 - £15,807 pa pro rata

Cleaner required for 7.5 hours per week.

Grade B (pts 6-7) £14,514 - £14,615 pa pro rata

Applications should be made via email to head@yorkley.gloucs.sch.uk or

Postal applications addressed to Mrs K.Burke, Headteacher at the above address. All applications must be received by 12 noon on Friday 16th June

Interviews will take place Wednesday 21st June

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people, and expects all staff, and volunteers, to share the same commitment. This post is subject to an enhanced CRB Disclosure check.

All applications must state the names and contact details of two referees. References will be checked before the post is offered and referees will be spoken to in person.

Person Specification:

Middy Supervisor

	Essential:		Desirable:	
Qualifications :	Enhanced DBS check <i>(this will be checked and offer of position will only be confirmed once cleared).</i>			
Experience:	Working with or caring for pupils of relevant age.		Working in a similar job / setting.	
Knowledge:			Appropriate training of first aid. <i>(training can be provided)</i>	
	Basic understanding of food hygiene / preparation <i>(although food preparation is not part of this role).</i>			
	Basic health and safety training.			
	Commitment to and understanding of Equal opportunities.			
	Understanding of relevant Policies and Practice and awareness of relevant Legislation.			
Skills:	Confidence in dealing with children, maintaining discipline, motivation and ensuring well-being of children.			
	Ability to interact and build relationships with children aged 4-11			
	Ability to maintain confidentiality at all times.			
	Ability to think on your feet but seek support when required.			
	Ability to work as part of a team.			
	Ability to promote the school when talking to visitors, colleagues and members of the community.			
	Display commitment to the protection and safeguarding of children.			