



## Dates for your Diary

3/2/25 Oracy Partnership Heat Finals at St David's School, Moreton for Sadie from Upper Key Stage 2 9.30 to 11.30am
4/2/25 Oracy Partnership Heat Finals for Ava from KS2 9.30 to 11.30am and for Seren from KS1 at 1.15 to 3.00pm Bledington School Hall
4/2/25 NO Awe and Wonder Club
04/02/25 Parrot Class Swimming Assessment- please bring pyjamas for swimming lesson
05/02/25 In the Net for Year 4 at Stow on the Wold Primary.
6/2/25 Life Education workshop for whole school
7/2/25 Wear your <b>SCARF</b> to school day
7/2/25 School Disco- please see Parentpay for information and to submit payment
10/11/13 <sup>th</sup> Feb Parents Evening- Sign up sheets will go out week commencing 3/2/25
11/2/25 Cross Country District Qualifiers for a group of children from Penguin and Parrots. Packed lunch required
11/02/25 <b>NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS TODAY</b>
12/02/25 <b>DAVE'S AFTER SCHOOL CLUB IS ON</b>
13/02/2025 <b>NO MULTI SPORTS CLUB WITH MR BROWN</b>
13/02/25 <b>NO FLOORBALL CLUB WITH MRS DROY</b>
13/02/25 <b>CROCHET CLUB IS ON</b>
14/02/2025 BSA Cake Sale at school pick up
<b>17/02/25-21/02/25/ Half Term - BACK TO SCHOOL TUES 25<sup>TH</sup> FEB</b>
<b>24/02/25 INSET DAY- NO PUPILS AT SCHOOL</b>
26/02/25 K'Nex STEM Challenge for Parrot Class
27/02/25 SATs club starts for year 6
27/02/25 NO FLOORBALL club- this club has now ended as SATs club has started
27/2/25 :Fair Trade Hot Chocolate and Tuck Shop day
03/03/25 Book Week
05/03/25 BAG2SCHOOL COLLECTION 9AM
6/3/25 World Book Day- Dress up Day- Come to school dressed up as any character from a Roald Dahl book
12/3/25 OWLS book fair in the school hall – 8.45am
13/03/25: PUFFINS Book Fair in the school hall – 8.45am
14/3/25 PENGUINS Book Fair in the school hall – 8.45am
17/3/25; PARROTS Book Fair in the school hall- 8.45am
25/03/2025 Year 5 MFL day at the Cotswold School- more info to follow.
10/04/25 Easter Extravaganza
11/4/25: Break up at 1.10 for Easter Hols
<b>14/4/25 to 25/4/25 Easter Holidays. Return to school 28/4/25</b>
<b>05/05/25 May Day Bank Holiday</b>
12/05/25: SAT's week
21/05/25: Walk to School Day
21/05/25 Photographer at school for Class photos and individual black and white photos.
22/05/25 Walk to School Day
23/05/25: Maypole Afternoon
<b>26/05/25 to 30/5/25 half Term Holidays (INSET DAY 2<sup>ND</sup> JUNE)</b>
6/6/25 NON SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY in return for Tombola Prize for Bledington Village Fete
07/06/25; Bledington Village Fete
11/6/25 1 <sup>st</sup> induction day for Sept reception children and parents
17/06/25: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Induction day for Sept reception intake (children only)

18/6/25: Parents Open Evening
20/6/25 Sports Day
27/6/25 Reserve Sports Day if wet on the 20th
8/7/25 End of Year Performance- afternoon - gates open at 1.15 for a 1.30 start (please note afternoon and evening performances are on the same day this year)
8/7/25 End of Year Performance – evening. Gates open 5.40 for 6pm start
17/7/25. Leaver's Assembly
<b>18/7/25 Break up at 1.10 for Summer Hols</b>

## Oracy Partnership Finals

Congratulations to Seren from Puffins; Ava from Penguins and Sadie from Parrots for making it through to the Partnership Heat Finals of this year's Look Who's Talking 2025 Oracy competition. We wish them the very best of luck at next week's competition.

## Plea for Tissues in Owls and Puffin Class

The cold weather often brings runny noses and sneezes, and our current supply of tissues in Owls and Puffins is running low. We kindly request donations of tissue boxes to see us through the following couple of weeks.

Thank you for your support and generosity!

## Volunteers for Forest School

You'll be aware that Mrs Droy's Forest School sessions are thriving, however, we need of more helping hands to ensure that our Wednesday afternoon sessions run smoothly and safely. If you are interested in volunteering or can spare a couple of hours on a Wednesday afternoon, please put your name on the sign-up sheet on the Link door or e mail the school office. Many thanks for your support.

## Parrot Class Swimming Assessment – Pyjamas needed

Parrot Class will have their swimming assessment on **Tuesday, 4th February**. As part of this assessment, the swimming teacher has requested that all children bring in their pyjamas – no onesies please!

## Cross country –Penguins & Parrots –Tues 11<sup>th</sup> Feb

A group of children from Penguin and Parrots have signed up to participate in a District Qualifier Cross-Country race on **Tuesday, 11th February** at Far Peak, Northleach. Please check Parentpay to see if your child has signed up. Travel to and from the event will be by coach. Please ensure your child brings a packed lunch for the day and that they have PE kit, trainers and joggers available. Refunds will be issued for Parrot class children who miss their swimming lesson. Consent for this trip needs to be submitted via Parentpay prior to the 11<sup>th</sup>.

## Wear your SCARF to School Day Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Feb

We use the acronym **SCARF** (Safety, Caring, Achievement, Resilience and Friendship) to teach children about positive mental

health. To support Children's Mental Health Week, we're holding a 'Wear Your SCARF to School day on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February.

## School Disco Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February

Excitement is brewing for our annual school disco! This will be held in the school hall on the 7<sup>th</sup> Feb. Parents are welcome to stay for the 'Parents Social' with an honesty bar set up in one of the classrooms. Please collect your child on time from the link- timings are as follows:

- **Owls and Puffins:** 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM
- **Penguins and Parrots:** 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM
- **Payment:** £4.00 per child, to be paid in advance via Parentpay (no cash on the door, please) To include A glow stick, crisps, and a drink.

## K'NEX Challenge Parrot Class 26<sup>th</sup> Feb

We're getting ready to introduce Parrot Class to the exciting world of engineering! Our K'Nex workshop will provide them with the perfect opportunity to solve a given problem using their creativity and skills. The children will work in pairs to solve problems, produce a working model, and communicate their ideas effectively. The winning pair from Parrot Class will be invited to the Gloucestershire K'Nex final in May

## Fair Trade Tuck Shop- 27<sup>th</sup> Feb -Bring £1.00 to school

Our upcoming Fair Trade Tuck Shop (arranged by our Eco Council) on February 27<sup>th</sup>, is a fantastic opportunity to enjoy a delicious hot chocolate and treat while supporting fair trade practices

Don't forget to bring £1.00 to school on February 27<sup>th</sup> and join us in making a positive impact. Let's warm up with a purpose!

## Bag2School Collection- 5<sup>th</sup> March

Our next Bag2School collection is on March 5, 2025. Please remember to bring your bags of unwanted/unused clothing/ textiles etc to the staff car park at morning drop-off on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March. School receives money for every Kg collected, so the more we collect, the more we raise! Thank you so much for supporting this fundraiser.

## World Book Day 6<sup>th</sup> March

We're celebrating World Book day 2025 by coming to school dressed as any character from a Roald Dahl book. If possible, please don't buy costumes, use whatever you have at home to make a costume- this not only saves money but also the environment. Be as imaginative as you can- it's always a fun day with some fantastic costumes!

## School Bookfair-School Hall. (dates & times below)

Our annual Book Fair will be held after half term kicking off with Owls on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> Feb at 8.45am. If you're looking to add to your home library, this is the perfect place to buy books suitable for all ages and tastes. £1.00 World Book Day tokens will be issued during the sale- they will not be issued in advance.

Every book sold at our Book Fair helps to earn free books for school- the more we sell, the better for our school library.

Scholastic provide a card payment reader machine which means we can accept payment by debit or credit cards.

Dates and times of bookfairs as follows:

**OWLS: 12<sup>th</sup> MARCH 8.45am School Hall**

**PUFFINS: 13<sup>th</sup> MARCH 8.45AM School Hall**

**PENGUINS: 14<sup>th</sup> MARCH 8.45AM School Hall**

**PARROTS: 17<sup>th</sup> MARCH 8.45AM School Hall**

## NHS Pharmacy First Service

Did you know that the NHS Pharmacy First Service enables children and adults to get convenient access to healthcare advice and treatment where appropriate, for seven common conditions without the potential delay of having to wait for a GP appointment? Accessing the service may mean that we can help children feel better and get back to school as quickly as possible, as well as supporting parents/carers to also get better if they are unwell with one of the conditions covered under the service.

There is no need to make an appointment; parents or carers can pop into their local Boots pharmacy with their child and ask for help under the service.

Support for the following conditions can be accessed under the service, free of charge (unless NHS prescription charges apply):

Common condition	Patient eligibility
Earache	1 to 17 years
Impetigo	1 year and over
Infected insect bites and stings	1 year and over
Sore throats	5 years and over
Sinusitis	12 years and over
Uncomplicated urinary tract	Women 16 to 64 years
Shingles	18 years and over

## Safeguarding– Internet Safety -In the Net 5<sup>th</sup> Feb

We are excited to announce that the Penguin Class will be attending a production on internet safety called IN the Net at Stow School next week. This engaging and educational event aims to teach the importance of staying safe online through an interactive performance.

The production will cover essential topics such as protecting personal information, recognizing online dangers, and understanding the importance of respectful online behaviour.

We believe this experience will be both informative and enjoyable for Penguin Class, and we look forward to seeing the positive impact it will have on their understanding of internet safety.

Children will travel to and from the event by coach and will be back in time for normal school pick up. Please give your consent via Parentpay prior to the 5<sup>th</sup> February.

## Collection from school

We will be sending out forms soon to help you compile a list of other school parents you would like on your collection list. This will ensure smooth and efficient handovers at pick up time. Keep an eye out for these forms in your inbox!