

Hiller Newsletter

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Week beginning 24th November 2025

Timings of the school day

- Gates open at 8:40am
- Classroom doors open at 8:40am
- School starts at 8.50am
- Gates close promptly at 8.55am
- School finishes at 3:20pm

Letters / emails sent out this week...

Elf day reminder letter
Christmas crafts KS1 letter
Children's Christmas Raffle letter

Headteacher's Message

And just like that, November is over and we welcome the start of December next week! How has that happened? This week—we welcomed lots of you to our Autumn 2 reading cafes this week and also to our Year 3 and Year 4 class assemblies. Thank you for your continued support at these events.

Next week it's the turn of Year 5 and 6 and then we head into full on Christmas mode with our KS2 performances and Nativity. We hope that you are all able to join us for these. Have a great weekend—see you Monday.

Dani Brayshaw



Elf Day—Donations for Fayre



A reminder that next **Friday 5th December** we are celebrating Elf Day—and are inviting all children to come to school dressed as elves or in their Christmas jumpers. In return we are kindly asking for donations for the Christmas Fayre.

Preschool / Reception & Year—fill a jar

Year 2, 3 & 4—a chocolate donation

Year 5 & 6—a bottle for the bottle tombola.

We are also looking for good quality teddies for the Teddy Tombola! Thank you

Father Christmas is Calling!

Rotary

Club of Gloucester, MA



The Rotary Club of Gloucester has been a great help in providing materials and grants to our school. This Christmas they need our help. They have partnered with Father Christmas to make lovely videos that you can purchase for just £3 and give a wonderful surprise to your loved ones. Have a look at www.rotarygreetings.co.uk and, if you buy one, the funds raised will be used to help our school and others in the community. So, please, let's help them by buying and very importantly by sharing with family and friends in Gloucester, Britain and even abroad.

SEE POSTER ON NEWSLETTER!

Dates for your diary

December

1st—Parent tour at 2pm

2nd—Outdoor Learning—Year 3 & 4

3rd—Year 5 class assembly at 2.45pm
PTFA fundraiser 'Wreath making workshop'

4th—Year 6 class assembly

5th—Elf Day / donations for the Christmas Fayre (see emailed letter)

8th / 9th—Year 1 & 2 Christmas show
(details on here)

Dance Club show to parents at 4.00pm

9th—Christmas Christingle service for the children

Outdoor Learning—Reception

10th—Reception and KS1 Christmas
Craft event with parents (am) details to follow

12th— Shine Bright Day (see email sent) donations on ParentPay
PTFA Christmas Fayre at 3.00pm—see poster

15th & 16th—Preschool and Reception
Nativity (details on here)

15th—Christmas Choir singing at
Brunswick nursing home (pm)

16th—Christmas Choir singing at Park
View nursing home (pm)

17th—Rock steady concert for parents
and Christmas choir performing at
9.30am

18th—Coney Christmas Day (details to follow)

19th—END OF TERM 1.30pm FINISH

January

5th—INSET DAY

6th—TERM 3 STARTS

Hiller Highlights

Happy Hillers Preschool

"This week we have enjoyed meeting our Reception friends to practice our Christmas Nativity—which is in a couple of weeks time. We have also been exploring the night sky and thinking about our bedtime routines"

Reception

"We have had a great week learning how to keep our Hiller bodies safe and healthy. We have loved reading the story of a piece of cake and we also enjoyed another fab drawing club session!"

Year 1

"This week we had a blast at Barnwood High School at a sports event—thank you for inviting us. We were amazing ambassadors for our school—we have also loved practicing for our school production with Year 2!"

Year 2

"This week we have been busy finishing our reports on penguins, counting in threes and drawing arrays! We are also practicing lots for our Christmas show which is only a week away! Eeek! Don't forget to buy your tickets everyone!"

Year 3

"We loved our visit to St Oswald's church this week for Experience Advent—where we learnt more about the story of Advent and Christmas. We showed off our learning this term in our class assembly as well—thank you to our parents for coming to watch!"

Year 4

"This week we have started our new recount unit in Writing using our trip to Gloucester museum. We also loved performing in our class assembly and when the internet cut out—we carried on singing the Hiller song acapella! In Science, we have continued building circuits and experimented with making our own switches!"

Year 5

"We have loved learning all about different Mexican festivals in Geography this week. On Tuesday, we made Christmas trees out of sticks for our Outdoor Learning. We have also been practicing for our class assembly which is next week. We hope you can join us!"

Year 6

"This week we have been writing our alternative endings to Goodnight Mr Tom as our Sunshine Writing—we have shown our skills in using dialogue to move a story on. In Science, we have been learning all about how the human eye works by completing a visual comprehension"

Clubs—Term 2

Children MUST bring in PE kit if they are taking part in an active sport club

Mondays

Dance— Year 3 & 4

Tuesdays

Boys Football—Team only

Wednesday

Christmas Crafts—Years 3, 4 & 5

Chrome books & Ipads—Year 5 & 6

Yoga—Year 2 & 3

Thursday

Archery—Year 1 & 2

Christmas Choir—Year 4, 5 & 6

Friday

Gymnastics—Year 1 & 2

Netball—Team only

All clubs finish at 4.20pm and run for the next 5 weeks—week commencing 10th November

Behaviour

In assembly this afternoon, the Behaviour Cup and Bear were jointly awarded to Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3. Well done! I wonder who will be the Golden Behaviour classes of the term?

Golden Learning Behaviour



Congratulations to: Heidi, Aubrey, Ahmed, Myla-Rose, Finley, Brie and Logan, who were chosen as Star of the Week! Well done everyone!



Attendance

Well done to our Year 3 class who were awarded the Attendance Cup for 98.7% attendance last week! Keep this up! #everymomentmatters

Christmas class assemblies and events



Please make note of the class events happening this term so that you do not miss out!

Wednesday 26th November—Year 4 class assembly at 2.45pm

Thursday 27th November—Year 3 class assembly at 2.45pm

Wednesday 3rd December—Year 5 class assembly at 2.45pm

Thursday 4th December—Year 6 class assembly at 2.45pm

Monday 8th December—Year 1 & 2 Christmas show 'The Lion, The Queen and The Cardboard box' at 2pm

Tuesday 9th December—Year 1 & 2 Christmas show at 2.00pm AND 5.30pm.

Tickets are £1.50 and are available to purchase NOW on ParentPay. Initially tickets are limited to 2 per child, per show.

Monday 15th December—

Reception Nativity show in St Oswald's Church at 11.00am

GALLERY



Reading
Cafes
this week



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**Experience
Advent**



**St Oswald's
Church**



Christmas Fayre

Friday 12th Dec 2025

3pm ~ 5pm

- * Raffle
- * Lucky Dip
- * Tombola
- * 3D Printing
- * Glitter Tattoos
- * Games
- * Christmas Decs & gifts
- * Fill a jar
- * Face Paints
- * Mini Arcades
- * Plus much more ...

**Don't forget to book
your ticket to see
Santa!**

Refreshments

available to buy



Father Christmas is Calling



Give your loved ones the gift of a smile



Scan here to
find out more

Rotary
Rotary Club of Gloucester





CHRISTMAS CRAFT

JOIN US FOR A MORNING OF
CHRISTMAS CRAFTS.

WEDNESDAY 10TH DECEMBER

* 9.00AM TO 10.30AM - WITH PARENTS

* 10.00AM TO 11.00M - WITHOUT PARENTS

* £3 PER CHILD OR £5 PER FAMILY

CHRISTMAS CARDS

BISCUIT
DECORATING

CHRISTMAS
WREATHS

CHRISTMAS
BAUBLES

KS1
ONLY

