



Rosary Catholic Primary School Stroud

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Our School Value this term is LOVE

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Our new Reception Class

Today celebrates our new reception class' second full week in school – and what a fortnight it's been. The children have settled into school life beautifully and you can already see life-long friendships beginning to grow. They loved their forest school session this morning with Tracey where they went on a treasure hunt to find parts of their body! If you have any friends or family looking for a school place for their child, let them know we have spaces available in most year groups. As our school song reminds us – Our school is a place for everyone!



Mr Batchelor's Bike Ride

Some of you (and a lot of the staff!) were kind enough to sponsor Mr Batchelor on his epic 'Wales End to End' bike ride in the summer. Thanks to your generous sponsorship, you have raised £420 for the 'Rise-and-Shine' Breakfast club here at school. Despite technical problems, two punctures and a lot of Welsh rain, he was still smiling at the end in Holyhead.

If you thought of making a belated donation, you still can using this JustGiving link - [Crowdfunding to support Rise and Shine, a morning Nurture Club run at The Rosary Catholic Primary School to improve pupils attendance and wellbeing.](#)

Parent Consultation

Due to a safeguarding risk we have been made aware of near our current drop off point for children in the mornings, we would like your view of the current arrangement for school drop off in the mornings. We would value your input and support when making this decision, therefore you are invited to a consultation meeting on Monday 23rd September at 2.30pm in the school hall. Please come ready to listen and be listened to.

Communication is really important to us and we are aware that our usual means of communicating with parents have not been running as smoothly as we would like and so we are reviewing our methods of communicating with parents for admin staff and for teachers. As part of this process, we would like you to complete this [Microsoft form](#) so you can share your views and ideas about how you prefer communication from school. Please also note that you will receive messages from the school office via Study Bugs on a trial basis.



Year 5 & 6 Football Tournament

Boys and girls in Year 5 and 6 took part in a 7-a-side tournament at Old Ends Lane. The children played fantastically and won a game, drew a game and lost their final game on penalties during extra time against Park. A special mention goes out to Theo who played in goal, making a number of crucial saves. Well done to the whole team – Nadia, Lily, Harley, Benedict, Theo, Luca, Arthur, Oliver, Taylan, James, Archie and Peniel.

Important Dates

Parent Consultation meeting in school

Monday 23 September 2.30pm

Walsingham Feast Day

Tuesday 24 September

Walsingham House children to wear yellow

Mother Teresa Celebration day

Wednesday 25 September

Year 4 wear non-school uniform

Macmillan Cake Sale

Thursday 26 September – 2:30pm in school

Little Way Week

w/c 30 September

Black History Month

Monday 7 October

Y6 Class Mass

**Tuesday 8 October in school
2:30pm**

KS1 Interhouse Winter Sports Competition

Friday 11 October

Harvest Festival

**Wednesday 16 October in Church
(2pm)**

PTFA Disco

**Friday 18 October
KS1 3.45-4.45pm KS2 5.00-6.30pm**

KS2 Interhouse Winter Sports Competition

Friday 18 October

Parents Evening

**Tuesday 22 & Wednesday 23
October**

Stroud Book Festival

Thursday 7 & Friday 8 November

Macmillan Coffee and Cake sale – donations wanted!!

Join us at 2.30pm next **Thursday 26 September** in the school hall for a hot drink and cake in support of Macmillan. This is Macmillan's biggest fundraiser of the year, raising money to support people living with cancer. If you're unable to join us on the day, you could still show your support by donating a cake. All cakes not sold during the afternoon will be on sale at the end of the school day so bring your pennies along to raise money for this good cause.

Harvest Celebration

All parents and grandparents are warmly invited to our Harvest Celebration at **2.00pm** on **Wednesday 16 October** in church. Please send in donations for the Harvest Display on Monday 14 October, either tins and packets, which will be donated to Stroud Food Bank or fresh produce, which will be sold after school in the school hall to raise funds for CAFOD along with teas and coffees.

Whole school trip to Vue

We hope to be able to take the whole school on a trip to the local cinema in Stroud during the morning of **Monday 11 November**. We cannot do this without the help of volunteers. If you are able to help with this, please email the school office (admin@rosary.gloucs.sch.uk) to let us know as soon as possible. Thank you.

KS2 pupils walking home unaccompanied

Quite a few of our older KS2 pupils are allowed by their parents/carers to walk home on their own. It would be helpful for us to know if you have given such permission to your child. Please use this link to complete a short survey to let us know, so we can compile a list of children who are allowed to walk home after school and/or after a club <https://forms.office.com/e/Anz453sv71>

PTFA

The annual AGM will be held on 11 October at 7pm at The Old Nelson. The PTFA are looking for a vice-chair, new treasurer and secretary for the next school year so if you are interested in any of those roles, please let them know. Please put yourself forward before the AGM if you are interested as there must be a notice period to abide by the constitution rules. The PTFA is massively beneficial for the school and the children but to run they need new committee members to join us this year!

There are lots of plans for this school year so it would be great to see as many of you there as possible to share your ideas and thoughts with the PTFAs 😊 Everyone is welcome!

The school gate!

Thinking back over the events of the summer, I'm sure EVERY PARENT will agree that pupil safety and school-site security is our highest priority. Therefore, parents MUST NOT 'be polite' and hold the gate open for strangers. The school office is responsible for admission to the site and you are not asked to undermine measures designed to keep pupils safe. Thank you.

Midday Supervisor Vacancy

A vacancy has arisen for a Midday Supervisor to join our happy, caring team at the Rosary Catholic Primary School, to supervise the pupils during their lunch time, starting as soon as possible. The post is part time 6.25 hours per week, 12.00 - 1.15pm term time only, Monday to Friday. Please see the school website for more details.

Lunchtime for Mrs Mace!

In order for Mrs Mace to have a well-earned lunchtime each day, the school office will be closed between 12.30 and 1.00pm. You will be able to leave a voicemail during this time. Thank you for your understanding.

Piano Lessons

There are a few spaces available for piano lessons on Tuesdays in school. If your child is keen, please pick up an application from the school office.

Emergency Contact Forms

Thank you to everyone who has returned the Emergency Contact Forms. If you haven't yet, please can you do so as soon as you can.

Antibullying Week

w/c Monday 11 November

Whole School Cinema trip

Monday 11 November

Children in Need

Friday 15 November

Glastonbury Feast Day

Friday 15 November

Glastonbury House children to wear green

Y5 Class Mass

Thursday 21 November in school
2:30pm

Bedtime Stories

Wednesday 27 November 5pm- 7pm

Advent Day of Reflection

Tuesday 3 December

Reconciliation

Thursday 5 December – 10:30am in the school hall

Mass for the feast of The Immaculate Conception – KS2 only

Monday 9 December – 10am in Church

Christmas Dinner

Wednesday 11 December

KS2 Carol Service

Thursday 12 December – 2pm in Church

KS1 Nativity

Monday 16 December - 2pm in school

Trip to Stroud Panto

Wednesday 18 December

Autumn term ends

Friday 20 December 1.30pm



SCHOOL DISCO

Friday 18th October

KS1 3:45pm – 4:45pm

KS2 5:00pm – 6:30pm

£3 per child

includes entry, a drink, a bag of sweets and a glow stick