



Newsletter 9 – 7th November 2025

DAY	WHAT'S ON
EVERYDAY	Cygnets: bring reading books, reading records, spelling books, water bottles Swans: bring water bottles, a healthy snack Wear PE Kit on Monday and Thursdays
MONDAY 10TH NOV	- Mr Bateman Music Lessons - Remembrance Service in Church at 10.45am - Sports Club 3.15-4.30pm pick up from School - ASC 3.15-5.15pm
TUESDAY 11TH NOV	- Year 3 & 4 Swimming. Packed lunches. - Lunchtime Chess Club - ASC 3.15-4.15 & 4.15-5.15pm - Crochet Club 3.15-4.15pm
WEDNESDAY 12TH NOV	- Mr Meade Music Lessons - Forest School Rec, Y1 only - Year 3 & 4 Book Club 3.00pm NOTE CHANGE OF DATE - KS2 French Club 3.15-4.15pm - ASC 3.15-4.15 & 4.15-5.15pm
THURSDAY 13TH NOV	- Year 5&6 Book Club 3.00pm - Cookery Club 3.15-5.15pm PLEASE BOOK BY MONDAY
FRIDAY 14TH NOV	- Musical Mania - ASC 3.15-4.15 & 4.15-5.15pm
MONDAY 17TH NOV	- Monday Breakfast and Takeaway Coffee starts - Mr Bateman Music Lessons - Sports Club 3.15-4.30pm pick up from School - ASC 3.15-5.15pm
TUESDAY 18TH NOV	- New Reception Open Morning 9.30am. - Year 3 & 4 Swimming. Packed lunches. - Lunchtime Chess Club - ASC 3.15-4.15 & 4.15-5.15pm - Crochet Club 3.15-4.15pm
WEDNESDAY 19TH NOV	- Mr Meade Music Lessons - Forest School Rec, Y1 & Year 4 - KS2 French Club 3.15-4.15pm - ASC 3.15-4.15 & 4.15-5.15pm
THURSDAY 20TH NOV	- Cookery Club 3.15-5.15pm PLEASE BOOK BY MONDAY - ASC 3.15-4.15 & 4.15-5.15pm
FRIDAY 21ST NOV	- Musical Mania - Reception & Year 6 Heights & Weights

Coming up 26th November Rec, Y1, Y5 & 6 to Forest School, 5th November Christmas Crafternoon, 12th December Carol Singing in Southrop.

Stars of the Week

Swans – Noah for his wonderful writing and Mia for her enthusiasm and good learning.

Cygnets – Digby for his hard work and enthusiasm.

Message from Miss Davies

It is always wonderful to start the term with a compliment! PC Davis, our School Beat Officer, held a social media session with our Year 5 and 6 pupils. Afterwards, she shared how impressed she was with their empathy, understanding, and genuine desire for everyone to feel they belong.

Our Positive Relationships and Behaviour Policy is rooted in Restorative Practice and guided by *When the Adults Change, Everything Changes* by Paul Dix. This approach helps us to create an inclusive and supportive school community where children learn to make positive choices and take responsibility for their actions. We review this policy annually, please take a moment to look at it on our website or via the attached PDF. If you're up for a read, I highly recommend the book itself! Paul Dix has also written *When the Parents Change, Everything Changes*, which offers wonderful insights for home as well.

A huge thank you to everyone for your continued efforts to ensure your child arrives at school on time. We know that mornings can sometimes be tricky, but being punctual really helps children settle and make a smooth transition from home to school.

We would also really appreciate it if you could complete our attendance survey here:
<https://tt5.io/p/0ff6c315ab40da6caffa6d430be0f40>

To start the week on a positive note, we're moving Friday Breakfast to Monday Breakfast! It's a great way to begin the week together—after all, as one of our Year 5 pupils said, "*A pain au chocolat to start the week would help me!*" We'll also be adding **takeaway coffee for parents**, a lovely way to share a few moments before the school day begins. Our first Monday Breakfast will be on Monday, 17th November.

It always feels early to think about the next academic year, but in September 2026, our current Year 6 pupils will be starting secondary school, and we'll be welcoming a brand-new Reception cohort!

If you haven't yet applied for your child's Year 7 place, please complete a late application using the link: [Transfer to Secondary School – Gloucestershire County Council](#)

Applications for Reception 2026 are now open and will close on 15th January 2026. Please help us spread the word about the wonderful community here at Southrop by sharing this information with friends and family who may be considering school places.

We will also be hosting Open Mornings for prospective families on

Saturday 8th November 2025

Tuesday 18th November 2025

Tuesday 2nd December 2025

Tuesday 6th January 2026

[Admissions to Reception at Primary School – Gloucestershire County Council](#)

Remembrance Service

We will be holding our Remembrance Service on Monday and everyone is welcome to join us at 10.45am.

Book Clubs

Our book clubs continue to grow! The children have really enjoy sharing stories and recommending books to each other, as well as the hot chocolate and biscuits! A reminder that our next book clubs are:

Wednesday 12th November (please note the change of date from Tuesday) 3.00-3.30pm

Year 3 and 4 Book Club The Midnight Fox – Betsy Byars

Thursday 13th November, 3.00-3.30pm

Year 5 and 6 Book Club The Light Jar – Lisa Thompson

Forest School Dates for Term 2

A reminder of the dates:

12th Nov Rec & Y1 only, 19th Nov plus Y4, 26th Nov plus Y5 & 6, 3rd Dec Cygnet Whole Class Nativity.

Swimming

Year 3 & 4 will continue swimming from Tuesday 4th November until Tuesday 2nd December.

Library Visits

The Cygnets, Year 3 and Year 4 enjoyed visits to the library this week and Year 5&6 will be going on Thursday 20th November. The children will be able to bring home a couple of library books but we ask that you return the books to Fairford library when they are due. If you are not a member of a Gloucestershire Library then you can join even if you don't live in Gloucestershire. Please contact the office if you want an application form.

If you do not wish your child to take out any books then please let us know. Thank you.

After School Clubs

Cookery Club has been extremely popular this term and we have increased the number of places available. Please make sure you book Cookery Club by the Monday before club. Cookery Club is a full two hours so please can you collect your child at 5.15pm to ensure they have time to finish the cooking and help tidy up. Thank you.



- Thank you for those that have returned the smarties tubes. We have only had 10 tubes returned so if you still have a tube to return please hand it into reception when you are able.
- A big thank you for everyone who sent in a recipe, we had a great time doing all the drawings and the book is coming together! Please keep your eye out for an order form very soon!
- New parents, if you would like to join our whatsapp group, please email pta@southrop.gloucs.sch.uk and don't forget to follow us on Facebook!