



Newsletter 15 - 18th December 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 5TH JANUARY	• Start of Term 3 • Monday Breakfast and Takeaway Coffee • Mr Bateman Music Lessons • Sports Club 3.15-4.30pm pick up from School • ASC 3.15-5.15pm
TUESDAY 6TH JANUARY	• Lunchtime Chess Club • ASC 3.15-4.15 & 4.15-5.15pm • Year 1-6 Lego Club 3.15-4.15pm
WEDNESDAY 7TH JANUARY	• Mr Meade Music Lessons • Forest School Rec, Year 1 & Year 3 • ASC 3.15-4.15 & 4.15-5.15pm • KS2 French Club 3.15-4.15pm
THURSDAY 8TH JANUARY	• Whole School Trip to Chipping Norton Theatre please bring a packed lunch if you have not ordered a school one. • Art Club 3.15-4.15pm • ASC 3.15-4.15 & 4.15-5.15pm
FRIDAY 9TH JANUARY	• Fellowship Walk – meet at school at 8.00am • Musical Mania • Reports out today • ASC 3.15-4.15 & 4.15-5.15pm

Message from Miss Davies

As we come to the end of another busy and rewarding autumn term, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and to share a brief reflection on the term we have enjoyed together.

This term has been full of purposeful learning, creativity and growth. Across the school, pupils have shown great enthusiasm for their learning, approaching new challenges with curiosity and resilience. From developing early reading and writing skills to tackling more complex problem-solving and creative projects, the children have worked hard and should be very proud of their achievements.

Our Christian values have been at the heart of all we do and were particularly affirmed during our recent SIAMS inspection. We are delighted that the inspection recognised the strong Christian ethos of our school, the way our values shape daily life at Southrop, and the nurturing, inclusive environment we provide for every child. The children were praised for living out our values through kindness, respect and compassion, and for the way these values support both their learning and personal development. Collective worship and reflection times continue to play a central role in school life, giving pupils meaningful opportunities to reflect on faith, gratitude, service and hope, particularly as we approach the Christmas season.

I would like to thank our dedicated staff, governors and PTA, for their continued commitment and hard work, and our parents for your ongoing partnership and support. Together, we make Southrop C of E Primary School a warm, caring and inspiring place to learn.

We now look forward to a well-earned break and hope that you enjoy a peaceful and happy Christmas with family and friends. We wish you all a joyful festive season and look forward to welcoming the children back in the New Year, refreshed and ready for another exciting term of learning.



Please be Aware Safeguarding Concern

We have been made aware by Gloucestershire County Council Safeguarding Team that several titles in the **'According to Humphrey'** series contain a weblink at the back of the book that no longer directs people to information about the books. Instead, the link has been compromised and now leads to inappropriate and unsafe material that should not be accessed by children at any age.

This was a book recommended in the Year 3 and 4 Book Club.

Below are images of some of the front covers in the series to help you identify the books should you have any at home. The link can be found on the back cover or may be also included on a page inside.

For clarity and reassurance, we are not aware of any children who have accessed this link at our school and have removed copies of the book with the weblink from school circulation.

Actions and Next Steps:

- If you have any of these books at home, we advise you to remove them immediately or remove the page with the weblink.
- Be extra-vigilant with all children's books that contain links and ensure that they are checked by an adult.

We are grateful for your continued support in working together to keep our children safe.



Whole School Trip to Chipping Norton Theatre

On Thursday 8th January the children will be going to the Theatre, please book your child via the trip tab on the Portal. If you have any concerns over payment for this trip, please speak to Miss Davies or Mrs Simmons.

It is now too late to book a school packed lunch, so please remember to bring a packed lunch on the day. The coach will be leaving promptly at 9.00am, so please arrive on time.

After School Clubs Next Term

Clubs will be available to book on the Portal from 6.00pm on Friday 2nd January.

Next term Mrs McLellan will be running a Lego club from Year 1-6 on Tuesdays from 3.15-4.15pm.

Mrs Martyn will be holding an Art Club on Thursdays for Rec to Year 6 from 3.15-4.15pm.

Free Sports Club will on held on Monday from 3.15-4.30pm and the normal After School Club sessions will be available every day.

Please try to book in advance, especially for Art Club, so that Mrs Martyn can prepare the sessions.

Forest School

Miss Davis will be taking the children to Forest School on the following dates:

7th Jan Rec, Y1 & Y3

14th Jan Rec, Y1 & Y4

21st Jan Rec, Y1 & Y5

28th Jan Rec, Y1 & Y6

4th Feb Rec, Y1 & Y2

Fellowship Walk

Please join Mrs Dawson for another Fellowship Walk around Southrop on Friday 9th January at 8.00am.

Reception 2026 Applications

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.

Our final Open Morning for prospective families is Tuesday 6th January 2026 at 9.30am.

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

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