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Dear Parents and Carers,

As a school we pride ourselves on thinking about others and last week in assembly, Mrs Hearfield highlighted the work that Young Carers do for children and young people around Gloucestershire who have to take on the role of parent and carer in their house. I am sure that we all agree that we want our children to do a few little jobs around the house to help out in order to begin to take responsibility for themselves over time, but few of us would ever want our child to have to do everything from cooking, cleaning and even providing personal care for another family member. Unfortunately though, it does happen and in order that Young Carers can continue to support these children and young people, Mrs Hearfield and Mrs Twinning worked with a group of children creating fairy cake icing extravaganzas to sell in our cake sale at the end of last week. I can now tell you that the pennies have been counted and next Monday in assembly we will be presenting Young Carers with a cheque of £100. Well done to everyone involved!

Another well done goes to Mr Brazier, Mr Poole-Jones and the boys in the boys' football team who won the final of the Gloucester Primary Schools' Football Association five-a-side football last Friday evening at GL1. They were up against 39 other schools and scored 23 goals with only 2 goals conceded in the whole tournament! We celebrated their success as part of our Celebration Assembly this morning.

Next week, I hope many of you will take part in our Tech Challenge, reducing the time spent using your devices, social media and the internet for the week. We'll send out the challenge sheets with the newsletter tonight so that you can spend the weekend deciding which challenges to complete and thinking of other ways to spend the time gained as a family. To fit in with the challenge, we have internet safety talks from Gloucestershire Police on Wednesday afternoon. PCSO Chloe Williams will also be around after school during Wednesday's Parents' Evening to talk to parents. Please do pop into the hall to see her. Also, in the hall on both parents' evenings will be the Book Fair, 'Book for Bugs', if you wish to purchase any new books.

On the same note, I look forward to seeing those of you with appointments for Parents' Evening next Monday and Wednesday. Of course, a number of you have already had or will be having Structured Conversations with your child's class teacher and Mrs Wood and so won't be needing to come along. If anyone who hasn't got an appointment or Structured Conversation who would like to come, please talk to your child's class teacher - they may be able to fit you in next week or will make another mutually convenient time to see you. Please note that there won't be drop-in therefore on Thursday morning.

Andrea Mills



### THIS WEEK'S GOLDEN CHILDREN



3H Samaira Mohabeer	4H Thomas Earl	5MK Chloe Hughes	6S Harley Mustoe
3P Nedā Mohammed	4RF Jack Greene	5B Ellie Bond	6T Jake Brooks
3G Emily McGarrick	4P Blane Morrison	5C Yasmin Bhaiyat Chiantai White-Hutton	6D Laila Chivers



**Year 3**  
As part of our Mental Health Fortnight Year 3 have been busy thinking about mental health and what this might mean, there has been lots of good discussion and the children will continue with this next week. In Literacy the children have been busy travelling back in time to the Stone Age period and writing a diary recount of their experiences. In maths we are continuing to focus on multiplication and would encourage the children to practise their times tables. The children thoroughly enjoyed going to the Library and joining in the 'Harry Potter' activities put on by the Library Staff. Parents Evening confirmation slips have gone out this week and we look forward to meeting with you to discuss your child's progress at the meetings. **Homework** this week is to design a poster about mental health.

**Year 4**  
We were really fortunate to have John Holland from RAPID International (a disaster response organisation) come in on Tuesday, to talk the children about their work and experiences. This ranged from the Gloucester floods of 2007, to earthquakes, hurricanes and volcanoes! The children were amazed to see a Carbon Dioxide Detector (to help identify the location of victims by their breath), which had been purchased by last year's year 4 children's fundraising! Fabulous! Children have been busy publishing their explanations of the water cycle this week. Next week, on Monday we will continue our watery investigations with a visit to Daniel's Brook. Just a reminder that children will need a change of footwear (conditions will be wet- ideally wellies) suitable coat and school uniform please. With many thanks for your kind support.

**Year 5**  
The children have been busy writing up the strange events of last week when an unidentified object crash landed on the school field. They have worked hard to prepare scripts for a television interview which they will then record on the Ipads. We definitely have some budding reporters amongst us!  
Maths has seen us finishing off a unit of fractions, decimals and percentages and beginning one on measuring and drawing angles. As part of 'Mental Health' fortnight, we have been considering our emotional well-being, looking at feelings, emotions and strategies to help ourselves and others.

Please remember to send in any outstanding trip permission slips and payments for our visit to We The Curious. Homework this week will be a geography based task looking at a map of France and researching a famous point of interest, for example The Eiffel Tower, The River Seine or Notre Dame Cathedral. This will become part of our French folders.

**Year 6**  
As part of the school's fortnight focusing on Mental Health, this week in Year 6 we have been learning and discussing different aspects of Mental Health in the UK. The children are excellent ambassadors for this important project. We have continued with our pirate anthologies, this week researching and writing a biography about the notorious pirate, Blackbeard. The children's writing is of a very good standard and we

know that they will continue to flourish as they make the move towards secondary school in the summer. The Year 6 teachers this week went to meet the team at the residential centre, South Cerney Outdoor. We are in discussions to finalise the details of our visit and will invite you all to a meeting after half term, where we will give you medical forms and further information. **Homework** this week is to research the life of Jesus, here is a useful website: <http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/religion/christian.htm>.

### \*\*CLUBS NEXT WEEK\*\*

DAY	CLUB	START/FINISH
MONDAY	Girls' Football	4pm finish
TUESDAY	Yr5 Book Club	8.15am
	Yr5/6 Computing	1pm
WEDNESDAY	Netball	4pm
	Gymnastics	Session 1 - 4pm finish
		Session 2 - 5pm finish

### Lost Property

We have, in lost property a cuddly monkey that is pining for its owner! Please collect from the school office.

### ABM Catering — Lunch Menu £2.10 a day week commencing 5th February 2018—Week 3

<b>MONDAY</b>	Chicken Paella	Vegetarian Chilli Tacos	Carrot Cake/Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Ham or Tuna Sandwich/Jacket Potato
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Beef Keema with Naan	Chickpea & Vegetable Paella	Mandarin Jelly/Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Cheese or Egg Sandwich/Jacket Potato
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Roast Chicken	Lentil and Bean Bake	Choc Crispy Cake/Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Cheese or Tuna Sandwich/Jacket Potato
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Beef Chilli Con Carne	Cheese, Tomato & Sweetcorn Pizza	Brownie/Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Jacket Potato
<b>FRIDAY</b>	Fish and Chips	Vegetable Omelette	Fruity Friday/Yoghurt	Chicken & Sweetcorn or Cheese Sandwich

**Dinner Money Reminder**—please put money in a clearly marked envelope and payment of the correct amount. Change is given back on a Friday. Please clearly mark the envelope for how many dinners the money is for. Thank you.