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- ∞ **Parent Governor Election:** Please see communication sent to all parents and carers by email on Monday 17th January. The deadline for nominations is Monday 31st January. Any queries please contact Mrs Skinner, Clerk to Governors via the school office.
- ∞ **School Photos:** Thank you everyone for your orders, we have raised well over £1000 in commission for the school fund. Please let us know if there is anything you think we could improve on for the photos.
- ∞ **MNR Let Them Play February Half Term Holiday Camp:** There is a multi-activity camp and football camp run by MNR Coaching at Winchcombe during the half term. They are offering 22% family discount if booked before 31st January. Please book directly with them. Visit www.mnrcoaching.com or email holidaycamps@mnrcoaching.com or phone 07572398161.
- ∞ **Sports Fixtures:** We have managed to play a few games so far this term - The Y6 boys football matches on 17th January at Tilehurst were a great success, with them winning both games 6-0 and 7-2. The Y4 boys football team played 3 games at home on 19th January. They sadly lost 1-0 and 2-1 and won their final game 2-1. The Y3 Boys fixture at Park House due to be played on 24th was unfortunately cancelled. This Thursday a team of year 5 and 6 went to an archery competition at Park House.
- ∞ **St Gabriel's Maths Challenge:** We are taking a team of 4 year 4 children and 4 year 5 children to St Gabriel's school in the second week of February to compete against around 40 local schools in a fun-filled but challenging competition. Please wish them luck!
- ∞ **Friends of the Winchcombe School:**
 - Find out about us on www.winchcombe.w-berks.sch.uk/fows
 - email: winchcombefriends@gmail.com
 - Like and Follow us on [Facebook](#) or join our [group](#).
 - Raise extra money for free by making your online purchases through [easyfundraising](#)
 - We are holding a **Virtual Quiz Night** on 5th February 6.30 pm on Zoom. Payment is £10 per team, payable through Paypal. Use our email address (see above) and the Friends and Family option. Add a brief note to day you are paying for the virtual quiz, and put your email address.
- ∞ **Year 3 Trip to Butser Ancient Farm:** We are taking the children to Butser Farm next Wednesday 2nd February as part of our "Through the Ages" topic and the focus will be on the stone age and bronze age. Payments are due today, so if you have not already done so, please log on to School Money to consent and pay.
- ∞ **Year 5 Trip to Winchester Science Centre:** This takes place on Monday 7th March, as part of our "Stargazers" topic. We will visit the planetarium, take part in a workshop and spend some time enjoying the other exhibits. Payment of £10 and consent is due by 28th February, via School Money.
- ∞ **Year 6 Bikeability:** The Children taking part 2 will have been messaged to let them know whether to bring their bikes in to school on Monday and Tuesday, or Wednesday and Thursday. Please check with the office if you have not received notification. Remember to send warm, weatherproof coats and gloves with the children as they will spend a lot of time outside.

Dates for 2021-22	
JANUARY 2022	
Monday 31 st	Bikeability Part 2 Spruce class groups
FEBRUARY	
Tuesday 1 st	Bikeability Part 2 Spruce class groups
Wednesday 2 nd	Y3 Trip to Butser Farm
Wednesday 2 nd	Bikeability Part 2 Birch class groups
Thursday 3 rd	Bikeability Part 2 Birch class groups
Saturday 5 th	FOWS Virtual Quiz Night 6 pm
Monday 7 th	Y4 Maths Challenge at St Gabriel's School
Friday 11 th	Y5 Maths Challenge at St Gabriel's School
Wednesday 16 th	SAL trip to Newbury Library
HALF TERM – Monday 21st February – Friday 25th February Inclusive	
MARCH	
Thursday 3 rd	World Book Day - Details to follow
Monday 7 th	Y5 Trip to Winchester Science Museum
APRIL	
Thursday 7 th	Last Day of term – lunch time finish 1.15 pm
EASTER HOLIDAY – Friday 8th April – Monday 25th April Inclusive	
Tuesday 26 th	First Day of summer term
MAY	
Monday 2 nd	BANK HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
HALF TERM – Monday 30th May – Friday 3rd June Inclusive	
JUNE	
6 th & 7 th	Y4 overnight trip to Rushall Farm (TBC)
JULY	
Thursday 21 st	Last day of Term – Finish 1.15 pm
SUMMER HOLIDAY – Friday 22nd July – Monday 5th September Inclusive	

Clubs running to half term:

Tuesday:	Y5 JDO Club	3.15 – 4.15 pm
	Y5/6 Netball	3.15 – 4.15 pm
Thursday:	Y3/4 Netball	3.15 – 4.15 pm
Friday:	Y1/2 Athletics	3.00 – 4.00 pm