Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to the Autumn term. We especially welcome our new Reception children and all of our new children and families across the school. Please ensure that you join your new class for Dojo messages and that the office is all up to date with any changes to personal detail e.g. phone numbers. The class teachers will be running Parent Information Sessions on Wednesday 10th September 3:30pm and 4pm in your child's classroom. This is an information sharing event and an opportunity for you to ask your child's teacher questions about their new routine and the expectations of the year group. We look forward to seeing you at events throughout this term.

We welcome Mrs Tarrant (nee Miss Davies) back from maternity leave into Birch class and also welcome new staff Miss Drury (Beech class), Mrs Colon (Aspen class) and Mrs Love – our new School Business Manager.

We will be hosting open mornings for prospective parents for Reception class 2026 – please contact the school office for more information or view the poster and dates on our school website – places for September 2026 must be applied for by 15th January 2026. Yr 6 parents must remember to apply for a secondary school place by 31st October 2025; Dorcan are hosting an open evening on 2nd October.

Please ensure that you register your child for Free School Meal (FSM) - this includes children in Reception and Key Stage 1. Free School Meals means that your child is entitled to a free hot meal every day (although you can still opt to bring a packed lunch if you choose), you will then receive HAF holiday vouchers 3 times a year for your child. The school will also receive money for your child. Which means we can help you by paying an amount towards school trips, uniform or other activities such as after school club or music lessons.

Free School Meals (FSM) eligibility is determined by income/benefit, whereas the Universal Free Infant School Meals (UIFSM) offers a hot dinner to all children in EYFS & KS1 and does not come with any additional funding or vouchers. If your younger child has the Universal Infant Meal, you may still be entitled to Free School Meals (FSM) with additional funding attached – please speak to the Office who will give you a Free School Meal eligibility form to complete.

We are delighted to announced that Mrs Jerram is expecting a baby boy in January 2026, she will start her maternity leave in December; we will recruit to cover the class.

Have a wonderful term ahead.

Mrs J C Andrews

Headteacher

MacMillian Coffee Morning

26th September 9-10



Vacancies at CPPS

We are currently advertising for a part-time Admin Assistant – 14 hours per week – morning sessions.

Please see the advert on our school website or on the website MyNewTerm.

Confidential drop-in sessions with Heidi – Society Without Abuse.

Heidi supports parents and families who are/or have been suffering from domestic abuse.

No appointment needed 08:30-09:30 – just ask at the office for Heidi.

September 8th

October 6th

November 3rd

December 1st



Harvest Festival

Monday 20th October at St Paul's Church – further details and timings will follow from Miss Patten, our Religion and World Views leader.

Please send in donations of tins and packet goods by Friday 17th October.





Please remember
that all schools
are no dogs
allowed sites, this
includes
breakfast and
after school clubs
and also holding
dogs in your arms.

Parking reminder

Can we please remind you not to park on grass verges or to block resident's private driveways. This causes our neighbours distress and to be upset with the school office staff – which is not their fault at all. Although we have no legal control over parking, school is in a small community, and we want the neighbours and residents to like and support Covingham Primary. We always recommend to anyone that complains that they contact the police directly, take photographs and report to the council enforcement team.

Individual school photo day

Remember to be smartly dressed on Tuesday 14th Oct for individual school photos!



Picture Day!

Light House



The Lighthouse Team will be visiting Covingham for a drop-in session on 23/09 and 11/11. Please let us know if you would like an appointment time with Gayle Woollen. Light House can help parents by providing advice and support on a range of children's issues such as eating, sleeping, behaviour, anxiety etc.

Dates for parents

WHEN?	WHO?	WHAT?		
08/09	All	Society Without Abuse confidential drop-in service		
08:30-09:30				
10/09 pm	Yr 6	Yr 6 Swimming Boosters		
10/09	All	Parent's information sessions – in classes		
3:30-4 pm				
11/09 pm	Yr 6	Yr 6 Swimming Boosters		
15/09 – 17/09	Yr 6	PGL		
17/09	Yr R	Open morning visits for Year R intake 2026		
09:30-11:30	2026			
17/09 pm	Yr 6	Yr 6 Swimming Boosters		
18/09 pm	Yr 6	Yr 6 Swimming Boosters		
19/09	Yr R	Open morning visits for Year R intake 2026		
09:30-11:30	2026			
23/09 a.m	All	Light House parent sessions		
24/09	Yr R	Open morning visits for Year R intake 2026		
09:30-11:30	2026			
24/09 a.m	Yr 6	Visit to Dorcan Academy		
24/09 pm	Yr 6	Yr 6 Swimming Boosters		
25/09 pm	Yr 6	Yr 6 Swimming Boosters		
25/09	All	MacMillian Coffee morning		
09:00-10:00		3		
29/09	Yr 6	Bikeability		
30/09	Yr 6 & Yr	Bikeability		
	4			
01/10	Yr 6	Bikeability		
01/10	Yr 3	History visitor 0 further information to follow		
01/10 pm	Yr 6	Yr 6 Swimming Boosters		
02/10	Yr 6 & Yr Bikeability			
	4			
02/10 pm	Yr 6	Yr 6 Swimming Boosters		
02/10	Yr 6	Dorcan Open evening		
03/10	Yr R	Open morning visits for Year R intake 2026		
09:30-11:30	2026			
06/10	All	Society Without Abuse confidential drop-in service		
08:30-09:30				
08/10	Yr R	Open morning visits for Year R intake 2026		
09:30-11:30	2026			
08/10 pm	Yr 6	Yr 6 Swimming Boosters		
09/10 pm	Yr 6	Yr 6 Swimming Boosters		
10/10	Yr R	Open morning visits for Year R intake 2026		
09:30-11:30	2026			
14/10 a.m	All	Individual & sibling photos		
15/10 pm	Yr 6	Yr 6 Swimming Boosters		
15/10 5:15 pm	All	Cosy club reading session – come along in pyjamas, and listen to bedtime stories		
16/10 pm	Yr 6	Yr 6 Swimming Boosters		
20/10 a.m	All	Harvest Festival – St Paul's Church		
22/10 pm	All	End of term		
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23/10-02/11	All	HALF TERM				
03/11	All	Term begins				
03/11	All	Society Without Abuse confidential drop-in service				
08:30-09:30						
04/11 4pm-7	All	Parent's evening – further details to follow with booking on Parent Mail				
pm						
05/11 pm	Yr 5	Yr 5 Swimming				
06/11 a.m	All	Nasal Flu vaccine				
06/11 pm	Yr 5	Yr 5 Swimming				
06/11	All	Parent's evening– further details to follow with booking on Parent Mail				
3:30 – 6pm						
11/11 a.m	All	Light House parent sessions				
11/11	Yr 5	Education Visit				
11/11 pm	Yr 6	Dorcan School Author visit				
12/11	Yr R	Open morning visits for Year R intake 2026				
09:30-11:30	2026					
12/11 pm	Yr 5	Yr 5 Swimming				
13/11	Yr 5	Yr 5 Swimming				
14/11	Yr R	Open morning visits for Year R intake 2026				
09:30-11:30	2026					
19/11	Yr R	Open morning visits for Year R intake 2026				
09:30-11:30	2026					
19/11 pm	Yr 5	Yr 5 Swimming				
20/11 pm	Yr 5	Yr 5 Swimming				
26/11 7:30pm	Choir	Christmas Voice Festival – further details to follow				
26/11 pm	Yr 5	Yr 5 Swimming				
27/11 pm	Yr 5	Yr 5 Swimming				
28/11	All	FoS Dress down day – further details to follow				
01/12	All	Society Without Abuse confidential drop-in service				
08:30-09:30						
02/12 evening	All	Royal Wootton Bassett Band and Choir evening performance – further details to				
		follow				
03/12 pm	Yr 5	Yr 5 Swimming				
04/12 am	Choir	Choir performance at Coleview Community Centre				
04/12 pm	Yr 5	Yr 5 Swimming				
05/12 pm	All	FoS Colour Top Table sale				
10/12 pm	Yr 5	Yr 5 Swimming				
11/12 pm	Yr 6	Visit Dorcan Christmas Show				
11/12 pm	Yr 5	Yr 5 Swimming				
11/12 5:15	All	Cosy club reading session – come along in pyjamas, and listen to bedtime stories				
12/12	Yr 6	Yr 6 Victorian Christmas Market – further details to follow				
15/12 a.m	Yr R & KS1	Nativity Dress Rehearsal for pre-school and KS2				
16/12 pm	Yr R & KS1	Nativity for Yr R parents				
17/12 pm	Yr R & KS1	Nativity for Yr 1/2 parents				
18/12 pm	Yr R & Nativity for Yr 1/2 parents KS1					

18/12 after	All	FoS Disco	
school			
19/12 a.m	All	Christmas Church Service	
19/12	All	End of term	

