

Newsletter—22/05/2026

Dear Families,

We have continued to make preparations for September. With four new classes planned recruitment is still ongoing for LSAs, Carers and lunchbreak supervisors. We are also finalising pupil placements and will be delivering an induction meeting for our new parents and carers in June.

Our pupils have been also busy with enrichment activities including access to the new ball bit, visits from 'Dogs for Good', a trip to Bristol Aquarium and the launch of the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award for P16 students. Look out for news of our jam packed enrichment and activity programme in Term 6.

Term Dates and Other Important Dates

Term 6 starts—Monday 1st June 2026

Term 6 ends—Tuesday 21st July 2026

INSET DAY—Friday 26th June 2026

Uniform Ordering

With the half term break now upon us, please remember to place your uniform order online in time for the new academic year. The link can be found on our website. Please note that the cut-off date for **home delivery** is 1st August. A Leaflet is attached for your information.

Spring Activities

South Gloucestershire Council has developed a toolkit to support families in accessing low-cost spring activities, helping you make the most of the warmer weather!! Please refer to the attached flyer for further details and useful links.

Reminders— Medication

The Academy can only administer medication that has been prescribed by a doctor that is essential to take during school hours. Please speak to your class teacher about this as you will need to complete an Administering Medication form. These forms can be found on the school website via the link below:
<https://www.twobridgesacademy.org.uk/Parents/Useful-Information-and-Resources/>

Reminders—Absence

If your child is unwell, please email **absence@twobridgesacademy.co.uk** or call **01454 553003** and leave a message with: your child's name, class and reason for absence.

Our school office is open from 8:30am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday.

Class updates

We are delighted to share that P16 has been awarded a Modeshift STARS grant following their excellent presentation outlining plans to support and promote sustainable travel within our school community. As part of this initiative, the pupils will be introducing 'Freewheeling Fridays' next term, encouraging active and environmentally friendly journeys to school. Well done to everyone involved for their enthusiasm, teamwork, and commitment to sustainability.



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Low-cost spring activities



As the days get longer and warmer, spring is the ideal time to enjoy some quality time together. Here are some easy, low-cost activities for families to try.

Make the most of warmer days

It's a great time to get outdoors and enjoy some local green spaces. Three Brooks Nature Reserve in Bradley Stoke, Willsbridge Mill in Longwell Green and Kingsgate Park in Yate all offer space to walk, play and explore, making them ideal for a low-cost family day out.



Make a spring art collage

Collect items like leaves and flowers and use old magazines and coloured paper to create a spring-themed collage.

Try a family bike ride

Dust off the bikes and explore traffic-free routes like the Bristol and Bath Railway Path, which runs through parts of South Glos and is suitable for all ages.



Visit a local farm

Spring is the perfect time to visit a local farm and spot some newborn animals. Grimsbury Community Farm in Kingswood is free to visit and has a café, play area and car park.



Plan a homemade Easter egg hunt

Hide a small number of eggs or clues around the home or garden. You can use paper eggs or swap chocolate for stickers, drawings or small toys.

Visit your local library

South Glos libraries are free to visit and you can stay as long as you like. Many will have free activities for children during the school holidays, making them a great spot for family fun.

Visit:  southglos.gov.uk/libraries



Hold a spring swap shop

Clear out your old toys, books or clothes and swap them with friends or neighbours. It's a fun, low-cost way for everyone to enjoy something 'new' and it's great for the environment too.

Grow something together

Make the most of lighter days by planting seeds in pots or small outdoor spaces. Easy growers include cress, sunflowers and herbs.



For more money-saving tips and financial support, visit:  southglos.gov.uk/costofliving

Find a community welcome space near you:

 southglos.gov.uk/community-welcome-spaces

We're here to help: call  **0800 953 7778** or visit one of our **One Stop Shops** in Kingswood, Patchway or Yate.

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Spring activities social media toolkit

Many households are continuing to feel the impact of rising costs, with energy and food prices putting extra strain on family budgets.

This toolkit is designed to help partner organisations share simple ideas for low-cost spring activities, alongside information on the financial support available for families.

Support available in South Gloucestershire

For guidance on what financial support is available and advice on local services, visit our dedicated **cost of living website** at www.southglos.gov.uk/costofliving

Our **One Stop Shops** in Kingswood, Yate and Patchway are open Monday to Friday 9am to 4.30pm. Residents can also call the council's **freephone helpline** on 0800 953 7778.

Community Welcome Spaces are open across South Gloucestershire providing a warm and friendly welcome. Some offer hot drinks, activities and facilities plus information on local financial support available, energy saving tips and government cost of living help. To find a Community Welcome Space visit www.southglos.gov.uk/community-welcome-spaces

Support is also available to make sure residents are **getting enough to eat**. For advice on emergency food aid, healthy start vouchers, free school meals and more, visit www.oneyou.southglos.gov.uk/food

Free **mental health and wellbeing** support is also available at www.oneyou.southglos.gov.uk

South Gloucestershire libraries are always free to visit and host a variety of activities for children. Information can be found at www.southglos.gov.uk/holiday-activities

We would appreciate your support in sharing the messages below on your social media channels. Alternatively, messages can also be shared directly from the council's social media platforms:

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