

Friday 13th September

September	
Tues 17 th	Swimming – Years 1, 2, 3 and 4
Thurs 19 th	Jeans for Genes Day
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In this week:

- Look for a Book
- Jeans for Genes Day
- Head Pupils
- Miss Katie Walker
- Charity Abseil
- Ronald MacDonald House
- Christmas!

Dates for your Diaries

25th October: Harvest Festival 11th November: School Photos

30th November: Stonehouse Goodwill Festival

6th December: Christingle

11th December: Christmas Concert

Further information on these events will be sent in due course.

Autumn Term Clubs

Thank you to everyone who has returned their club lists for this term. There is a new cookery club starting on Tuesdays after school with Miss Porter. Also, the Get Moving club on a Friday lunchtime has been extended to include children from Years 5 and 6 too. Please let me know if your child/children would like to join either of these.



For all the latest pictures and weekly activities please follow our Facebook page @HopelandsPreparatorySchool

Look for a Book

Congratulations to Calico and Ava of Year 3. They each found a book as part of the 'Look for a Book Stonehouse and Stroud' project. We hope you enjoy reading the books and wonder where you will leave them for someone else to find! Well done girls.

If you wish to find out more about this fantastic initiative, please go to their Facebook page 'Look for a Book Stonehouse & Stroud'.



Jeans for Genes Day

This year we are holding 'Jeans for Genes' day on Thursday 19th September. For a donation of £1 all children can wear their jeans with their school shirts.

Half a million children in the UK are affected by a life altering genetic disorder -1 in 25. Please wear your jeans and help improve the lives of children with life altering genetic disorders. Thank you.



Head Pupils

Congratulations to Max Safizadeh and Natalie Pearse who are the Head Pupils for this half term! Each half term pupils are selected by the teaching staff. When prospective pupils and their parents come to visit Hopelands, the head pupils will take them on a tour of the school answering any questions, providing information about the school and explaining what it is like to attend here.

Well done Max and Natalie we know you will both be fantastic ambassadors for the school.



Introducing Miss Walker!

Hi! I'm Miss Katie Walker and I am really excited about my new role at Hopelands. I have worked in primary schools for the past 9 years, teaching Key Stage 1 in the classroom and working with all year groups in PE. I enjoy teaching children new skills, preparing teams for tournaments and having fun along the way!

I have predominantly played football since primary school, playing locally for Cheltenham Town Ladies until 2017. I proudly represented Gloucestershire FA Women's County team in my prime! I now enjoy playing football and netball in fun leagues and taking on new challenges, previously running the Edinburgh marathon, and have now entered my first sprint triathlon at the end of September.

I love skiing and snowboarding and being outdoors whether camping or walking the dog! I enjoy watching many sports, travelling, reading and spending time with my family. I am delighted to be joining the team at Hopelands and look forward to being part of such a welcoming school community.

Welcome to the Hopelands team Miss Walker! We are delighted to have you on board and know you will be a true asset to the school.



Charity Abseil

The Ronald Macdonald House in Bristol is an entirely independent charity. It offers free accommodation to families for as long as they need whilst their child may be critically ill in Bristol Children's Hospital. It is a two minutes' walk from the hospital and comprises of 21 ensuite bedrooms, kitchens, lounges and gardens. As well as accommodation and support, families can have relatives stay too and there is everything they may need, from milk and tea to shampoo and towels.

The Bingham family stayed for a month when Beau was in intensive care during heart surgery at 11 days old. As a family they have already raised an amazing £30,000! Jenni Bingham, Beau's mum, is taking part in a rather terrifying absell to raise more funds. If you would like to donate, please see her Just Giving Page below.

Good luck Jenni! We are all behind you and are looking forward to seeing the pictures of a successful descent!

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/binghamabseilrmbh?fb_event=a5ac0c8&prompt_event=16d5598#



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Thank you for your support!

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Christmas Pantomime - Cinderella at the Cheltenham Everyman

I know it's way too early to be thinking about Christmas! However, we have a limited number of seats at a discounted price reserved for us at the Cheltenham Everyman theatre for this year's production of Cinderella. We need to have the money in by Wednesday 25th of September, so the details are:

Date: Friday 13th December 10:00am

Price: £14

Cheques payable to friends of Hopelands with Child's name and number of people coming written on the back please, or cash in an envelope again with your child's name and number of people somewhere on/in the envelope. This can be left in the FOH red letter box outside the main entrance.

We also have internet banking if you want to send money that way our details are:

Sort code: 30-98-29

Account no: 01459545

Put your child's name as a reference and just as a backup if you could send an email to say you have paid via internet banking with name and number of people going that would be much appreciated. Email: friendsofhopelands@yahoo.com

This is a great way to finish the term and get into the Christmas spirit! I hope you can all come.

Best wishes

Andy Harbottle

Friends of Hopelands Chair

