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Golden Lock

We are currently working with the council to promote active travel at our school. The purpose of this is to decrease traffic in the village and to increase the amount of physical activity all children take part in. This week, we have launched a new initiative to encourage children to cycle or scoot to school; this is called **golden lock**.

Each morning, two of our oldest children (Vinnie and Alfie) place a golden lock at random on one scooter and one bike. The owners of these are then able to choose a prize from our prize box.

Anyone can get involved in this. You can use our 5-minute walking bubble (please see the map on the school website <https://www.ironactonprimaryschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/Active-Travel-Zone-Map.pdf>) and park somewhere in the village then walk, scoot or cycle to school.

We look forward to seeing as many families getting involved as possible.

Parent information session

We would like to invite all parents and carers to an information session to hear more about our approach to managing behaviour. We use a Local Authority wide system based on the book, 'When the adults change, everything changes', to teach and promote positive behaviour.

The information session will take place on **Friday 25th March at 2.45pm** with Mr Brown. Please come to the school office, where you will be directed to the hall.

Staffing information

We are sad to be saying goodbye to Mrs Detzler at the end of this academic year. Mrs Detzler has been a member of staff at Iron Acton for 8 years and has worked across a number of year groups in that time; she is currently teaching in Golden Eagles Class each Thursday and Friday. We will ensure Mrs Detzler gets a good send off at the end of the year, but in the meantime I invite you join me in thanking her for all she has done for the school during her time here. We wish you well for your retirement, Mrs Detzler.

Mrs Evans has also decided to step down from her role as After School Club assistant from Easter. Again, we would like to thank Mrs Evans for all of her hard work in setting up our successful after school provision alongside Mrs Holmes. Mrs Evans will remain a member of staff at Iron Acton as she continues to carry out the role of lunch break supervisor.



Friends of Iron Acton Primary School update

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the AGM on Wednesday. Katy Shackelford remains the chair of Friends with Kate Edmonds remaining treasurer and Amy Hampson taking on the role of secretary.

The next set of dates for events are as follows:

Spring disco on 1st April, 6-8pm, Parish Hall

Summer disco on 15th July, 6-8pm, Parish Hall

Algars Manor open garden, 24th April, Friends provide refreshments – we need as many people as possible to help.

Please let Katy know if you have any questions and if you can help at the open gardens event. If you haven't already done so, you can join the Friends Facebook page to keep up to date with any Friends news.

Mothering Sunday



Easter Holidays - HAF Programme

Please find below a link which details all the Holiday Activities and Food Programmes that are running over the Easter holiday period. As before, the main eligibility criteria are that this programme is for children and young people that are eligible for free school meals. Parents and carers will need to book directly with the providers as detailed on the website: <https://beta.southglos.gov.uk/supporting-families-in-school-holidays>

Please note there is an additional offer which is a family ticket to the SS Great Britain – this is being funded by South Gloucestershire Council. Again, this is for families that are eligible for FSM. Places are limited on a first-come first-served basis, so please book your ticket and an arrival slot at ssgreatbritain.org/southglos or call 0117 926 0680.

