



Dates for your Diary

May:

- 2nd School Closed for Local Elections
- 3rd School is OPEN
- 6th School Closed for Bank Holiday
- 9th Talent show (timings to follow)
- 13th - 16th Year 6 SATs
- 14th FOG meeting - 9am
- 21st Reception visit to Kirkley Hall
- 22nd Class Photographs
- 23rd School Closed for European Elections

SUMMER HALF TERM HOLIDAY 27 - 31 MAY INCL

June:

- 5th PM - KS1 sports day
- 7th Glynwood Games (AM - Years 3 & 4/ PM - Years 5 & 6)
- Week beginning 10th - Year 1 Phonics screening
- 10th 1.15pm - Reception Blue group - Male Hero Day
- 11th 1.15pm - Reception Red group - Male Hero Day
- 12th 10am - Nursery Male Hero Day
2pm - Nursery - Male Hero Day
PM - KS2 sports day
- 14th Year 6 Hoops for Health tournament
- 19th Year 4 visit to Housesteads
Induction meeting for Reception 2019 parents 4pm
- 25th Year 3 visit to Washington Wetlands
- 26th Induction meeting for Nursery 2019 parents 4pm
- 28th Athletics at Gateshead Stadium

July:

3rd 10am Reception Blue group Graduations

2pm Reception Red group Graduations

Week beginning 8th - SCIENCE WEEK

10th 10am Nursery Graduations

2pm Reception Graduations

11th Fashion Show (timings to follow)

12th Design Technology Day

16th Year 6 performances - 1.30pm & 5pm

17th PM - Early Years Colour Carnival

Year 6 leavers disco - 4.30 - 6pm

18th PM - sports achievement assembly

19th PM - Y6 leavers assembly

BREAK UP FOR SUMMER HOLIDAY - FRIDAY 19TH JULY

Message from Mrs. Nellis:

It has been a pleasure to begin to get to know the children over the past week - they have certainly impressed me with their lovely behaviour and happy smiles. Everyone has certainly made me feel very welcome and it has been great to have the opportunity to meet some of the parents too.

Last week certainly finished on a very positive note, with the Basketball team playing superbly at the Eagles on Friday evening and winning the trophy for the tournament. It was fantastic to see so many parents and staff there supporting the team. They are now through to the next round and I am sure that you will join me in wishing them lots of luck for when they play again on Sunday.

Mrs Ryan has also been in touch this week: she has asked me to pass on her thanks to you all for the lovely presents that she was given as well as the good wishes that were sent to her.

Finally, just a reminder that school **is closed on Thursday this week but will be open on Friday 3rd May.**

I look forward to getting to know you in the coming weeks and term - enjoy the bank holiday weekend.

GOVERNORS

The Governors would like to welcome our new Headteacher, Mrs. Nellis and are looking forward to working with her to ensure that all of our children at Glynwood achieve their potential and enjoy their time with us.

Curriculum

The whole staff team are currently working on the Curriculum Intentions statement for the overall curriculum that is offered at Glynwood - please look out for this statement over the next few weeks on the school website.

Work continues on the history and geography curriculum, making sure that the children are building on previous learning and developing new skills and knowledge. More information about the changes in topics will follow soon.

We are continuing to provide wider opportunities for the children this term with the Talent Show on the 9th May, followed by Design and Technology day, the Fashion Show and a science focus week in July.

There are also a number of sporting events taking place over the coming term for the children to look forward to.

Lateness

It is becoming a concern that the number of children who are coming into school late has been increasing lately - we would like to remind you that school starts at 8.55am, and your children should be in their respective school yards ready for collection by their class teacher at this time. Anyone coming in via the main entrance will receive a 'late' mark and if this is a frequent occurrence they will be referred to our school attendance officer.

Health and Safety

We would like to remind you all that children should not be wearing earrings for school, if they are wearing earrings they should be covered, and if they are not removed prior to a PE lesson, unfortunately they will not be able to take part. PE is an important part of the school curriculum and we expect all children to fully participate - so as a general reminder, please make sure your child has their PE kit in school.

In addition to this, some children are wearing false or acrylic nails for school. These can be very dangerous, particularly for PE sessions and during lunch and break time. Children **should not** be wearing false or acrylic nails for school.

- Can we also ask (particularly in KS2) - if your child brings a snack for breaktime this should be a healthy snack - e.g. a piece of fruit or a cereal bar. Children should not be bringing sweets and chocolate into school.

Friends of Glynwood

The next meeting of the Friends will be on 14th May - 9am, please come and join us for a coffee in the Angel Room and meet the new Headteacher, Mrs. Nellis.

We will be discussing the best ways the group can support the school and whether we will be holding a summer fair this year - concerns were raised at the Christmas fair about how congested the school was, and while everyone's support at these events is greatly appreciated we may need to consider alternative ways of fundraising. Any ideas you have will be welcome.

The Travelling Book Fair is in school this week and next. Your children will have the opportunity to visit the book fair with their class during the next 2 weeks. You can also pop along to the fair after school with your child after school if you would like to. The fair will be in the PE hall - so it is not too busy can we ask that where possible you come along to the following sessions:

Tuesdays' 30th April & 7th May - Nursery and Reception

Wednesday's 1st & 8th May - Years 1 & 2

Friday 3rd May and Thursday 9th May - Key Stage 2

There is a special 3 for 2 offer available on all books at the fair (cheapest book free). For every book purchased your child will receive a raffle ticket which will then be entered into a draw at the end of the event - winners from each phase will be able to choose another book from the fair.

The school does not raise cash from this event, but we do receive a percentage of the sales value in books!

Talent show

Next Thursday, 9th June is Talent show day! Parents and Carers are invited to come along and watch the show at 4pm in the assembly hall. (Entry via the ramp in the Key Stage 1 yard from 3.30pm). The schedule for the show will be as follows:

4 - 4.30 the first half of amazing talent

4.30 - 5.00 Interval (refreshments and raffle available thanks to the Friends of Glynwood)

5.00 - 5.45 The second half of amazing talent

Tickets are on sale from the school office. There is a charge of £2 per ticket for adults, £1 for children. Proceeds will be split 50/50 between the school for their performing arts fund and one of our chosen cancer charities.

Fundraising:

Thank you to everyone who took part/ donated in our fundraising activities last term.

The school council raised £151.43 at their breakfast in support of Young Carers.

Donations of £199.45 were collected for Comic Relief's Red Nose Day.

Miss. Ferguson's brave head shave in support of Macmillan Cancer Care and the children's mad hair day has so far raised an amazing £1310.00

Breakfast Club

We would like to remind you that all breakfast club places must now be booked through the school office - making a payment through parentmail is not a booking. The new booking forms for the spring term will be available soon.

Sessions should be paid for in advance - no later than the Friday of the week before the sessions are to be used. You can check availability for the current week on the school website. If you have booked a place but no longer need it - let the school office know, you could be taking a place that could be used by another child.

