



**Growing Together
at Glynwood**

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January 2025

French Day - **Tuesday 21st January**

February 2025

Valentine's Disco - Reception - **Monday 10th February at 2:15pm**

Safer Internet Day - **Tuesday 11th February (Assembly in school for children)**

Valentine's Disco - Year One and Two - **Tuesday 11th February 3:30 - 4:30pm**

Valentine's Disco - Year Three and Year Four - **Wednesday 12th February 3:30pm - 4:30pm**

Valentine's Disco - Year Five and Year Six - **Thursday 13th February 3:30pm - 4:30pm**

Half term holiday - break up on **Friday 21st February** and return to school on **Monday 3rd March**

March 2025

World Book Day - **Thursday 6th March - more information to follow.**

Red Nose Day - **Non-uniform - Friday 14th March**

April 2025

Family Attendance Meetings - **Wednesday 2nd April**

Faith Day - **Friday 11th April (parents will be invited into school from 2:45pm to look at children's work on different faiths)**

Break up for the Easter holidays on **Friday 11th April** and return to school on **Monday 28th April**

May 2025

Earth Day-non-uniform day (wear something green) - **Friday 2nd May**

BANK HOLIDAY - School Closed - **Monday 5th May**

Year 6 SATs week - **Monday 12th May - Thursday 15th May**

Family attendance meetings - **Wednesday 21st May**

Break up for half term holiday on **Friday 23rd May** and return to school on **Monday 2nd June**

June 2025

Year Four Multiplication Check - **Week beginning 2nd June**

Nursery and Reception Sports Day - **Tuesday 3rd June at 2:15pm**

Year One and Year Two Sports Day - **Wednesday 4th June at 2:15pm**

Year Three and Year Four Sports Day - **Thursday 5th June at 2:15pm**

Year Five and Year Six Sports Day - **Friday 6th June at 2:15pm**

Year One Phonics Screening - **Week Beginning Monday 9th June**

Occasional Day - School Closed - **Friday 13th June**

Rainbow Day- Non-uniform and assembly in school - **Friday 20th June**

Glynwood Arts, Music and Craft Festival - **23rd June - Friday 4th July**

July 2025

Glynwood Art Exhibition - **open to families from 3:15 - 3:45 on Wednesday 2nd July, Thursday 3rd July and Friday 4th July.**

Family attendance meetings - **Tuesday 8th July**

Pupil end of year reports out to families - **Friday 11th July**

Last Day of term for the summer break - **Friday 18th July**

Dear Families, Happy New Year to you all. I hope that you all had a lovely Christmas and enjoyed spending time with families during the break.

OFSTED - Hopefully, you all received the Parentmail which contained the official report from our Ofsted visit in November. Your children were fantastic during the visit and you should be proud of them all. The staff are proud of the outcomes of the report and there were many positives highlighted during the visit. Thank you to all the parents who spoke to inspectors and said such nice things about our school.

Cold weather conditions - Please ensure your child has suitable warm clothing, hats, gloves etc during this cold spell of weather. We are still going outside for break and lunchtimes so the children need suitable clothing and footwear.

Bikeability - Sessions for Year 5 children start this Monday 13th January. There are still a few spaces left, but you will need to pick up a form tonight after school or Monday morning if you wish your child to secure a place. Can all children taking part please remember to bring their helmet alongside their bike on Monday.

Reminders

Earrings - should not be worn in school and either be removed by the child or taped up to enable them to take part in PE etc.

PE Kit - All children should be wearing our Glynwood PE T-shirts or sports hoodies for PE days - No-one should be wearing football tops.

School Day - The school day starts at **8.45am** and finishes at **3.15pm**. Some parents arrive at almost 9.00am every day and this means the gates are not being locked on time and also means your child is missing vital reading time or daily routines in class. Please make sure your child arrives on time and comes into school through their designated entry point. The school office staff are always busy and often struggle to get late arrivals to their classes when they come through the main entrance. Children should only be collected early from school by prior arrangement with the Head Teacher or for the occasional appointment - it should not be happening regularly.

Afterschool club/ breakfast club - Did you know that you can get help towards the costs. We are registered with the Government Tax-free childcare initiative. For more information please click on the link. <https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare> our school post code is NE9 5SY.

Money Owing - Please can you check your balances in Parentmail for school meals, breakfast club and afterschool club.

Reporting absences - if your child is going to be absent from school, it is essential that you let school know either through the ParentMail app or by phoning the school office. If we do not receive a reason for absence then we may conduct an unannounced home visit to ensure the welfare of the whole family.

Child Protection and Safeguarding

Child Protection and Safeguarding are always an absolute priority in school. Our designated safeguarding leads and deputies are: Vicky Nellis (Head Teacher), Simon Otterson (Deputy Head), Sarah Brunskill (Assistant Head), Esther Commons (SENDco) and Jude Etherington (Curriculum leader). Please talk to any of us about any concerns that you may have. Posters displaying photos of the designated safeguarding leads are displayed around school.

If you have concerns about a child in your community, you have a number of options:

- 1) You can call 101 and ask for some welfare advice. This can be done anonymously.
- 2) You can visit the NSPCC website on: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/reporting-abuse/report/> or you can call the NSPCC helpline on 0808 800 5000, You can report concerns here anonymously too.

Attendance target/ National Expectation - 96% Glynwood Attendance this week - 93.2%



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