



Growing Together
at Glynwood

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<u>10/05/24</u>
<u>May 2024</u>
Friday 10 th May - Y1 visit to Alnwick Castle
Year Six SATs week - Monday 13 th May - Thursday 16 th May. Please do not book holidays for your Year Six child during this week.
Friday 17 th May - Wednesday 22 nd May Book Fair in School
Inclusion week - Week beginning Monday 20 th May
Last day in school before the half term holiday - Friday 24 th May.
<u>June 2024</u>
Children return to school after the half term holiday - Monday 3 rd June.
Monday 3 rd June - Y1/2 sports day 2.15pm
Tuesday 4 th June Reception & Nursery sports day 2.15pm
Thursday 6 th June - Y5/6 sports day 2pm
Friday 7 th June - Y3/4 sports day 2pm
Year Four Multiplication check - Monday 3 rd June - Thursday 13 th June (Children take one test at some point during this time.)
Year One Phonics Screening Check - Monday 10 th June - Friday 14 th June.
Tuesday 11 th June - Y4 visit to Housesteads
Occasional Day - School Closed for children - Friday 14 th June
<u>July 2024</u>
Week beginning 8 th July - SCIENCE WEEK
Reports out to parents - Friday 12 th July.
Last Day of term - Friday 19 th July

Message from Mrs. Nellis:

Dear Families,

It seems that the **sun** has finally decided to shine (for now). The children will all be accessing our grounds over the next couple of months as we increase our outdoor learning. **Please ensure that your child applies sunscreen daily and has a water bottle too.**

Year Six SATS - next week is Y6 SATs week and the children have been working very hard leading up to the tests. We cannot start the tests until everyone is present, so please ensure that your child attends school on time every day next week. The best way to support your child next week is to allow them plenty of time to relax after school, make sure they have plenty of sleep and encourage them to eat breakfast before coming to school (there are always bagels at school for those children who get hungry later on). We wish the children the very best of luck.

Year Five have had a visit from **Stewart Pimblett**, a Curling Paralympian. He visited school as part of Year Five's disability project. The children also enjoyed a curling workshop as part of this visit.

School Lunches - Healthy Eating - Please see attached information giving suggestions for a healthy packed lunch. **The catering service at Gateshead Council would like to know your views on school meals, use the link below to complete their survey:**

The link is now live for this year's Parent & Pupil survey, closing date 30th June
- <https://consultation.gateshead.gov.uk/survey/1264>

The **school photographer** will be in school next Friday 17th May to take class group photographs, please make sure your child comes into school in full school uniform so everyone looks nice and smart.

We will be welcoming the **Scholastic School Book Fair** into school from Friday 17th May to Wednesday 22nd May. The children will have the opportunity to visit the fair during the school day, but if you would like to visit with your child and perhaps choose a book together you will be able to do so after school on any of these days. The fair will be in the school's PE hall so please come into school through the main entrance if you would like to come and have a look.

You may be aware that the children currently take part in a **weekly draw in their class using raffle tickets** that they have earned across the week - next week in addition to this weekly draw all tickets will be entered into a special draw where children can win a £5 voucher to use at the fair.

Attached separately to the newsletter is a QR code that you can use to pay for any books you would like to buy by card, we will also accept cash at the fair. We have been assured that at least 30% of the books available will be under £5.00

We would really appreciate your support, any commission we receive is in books for the school.

With my very best wishes for a lovely long weekend

Mrs. Vicky Nellis (Head Teacher)

Who to talk to if you have any concerns, questions, queries or comments:



Vicky Nellis (Head Teacher)



Simon Otterson (Deputy Head Teacher Y5/6 Leader)



Carolyn Dobbing (Home School Liaison Officer)



Esther Commons (SENDco/ KS1 Leader)



Sarah Brunskill (Assistant Head Teacher and Y4/4 Leader)



Jude Etherington (Curriculum Leader)

The above staff are also all designated safeguarding leaders or deputy leaders, so you can talk to any of them if you have a concern about a child.

Please remember that if you do have concerns about a child, you can speak to any of the adults above. If the concerns require an immediate response, then you should call the police or children's social care, where you can make referrals anonymously, if you wish. You can also call the NSPCC 0800 1111 for advice.

If you notice suspicious activity in the vicinity of the school, then please do report it via the police, or inform one of our designated safeguarding leads.

We request that whilst you are on the school site, or in the vicinity of the school, that you do not use bad language/ swear and also dress appropriately (no swimwear please).