



# Growing Together at Glynwood

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<b><u>15/09/23</u></b>
<b><u>September 2023</u></b>
Year 2 visit to the Theatre Royal - <b>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September</b>
<b><u>October 2023</u></b>
Hello Yellow Day - <b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October</b>
Foodbank collection in school <b>16<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> October inc.</b>
Y6 to visit Safetyworks - Newcastle - <b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October</b>
Harvest Celebrations 2.30pm - <b>YEAR FOUR ONLY - Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October</b>
Last day in school before the half term holiday - <b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October</b>
<b><u>November 2023</u></b>
Children return to school after half term- <b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November</b>
Phonics/ reading workshop for parents - <b>Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 9am</b>
Odd Socks Day - <b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November</b>
Robinwood - Residential trip for Year Six - <b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November</b>
Individual School Photographs - <b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November</b>
Children in Need - <b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November</b>
<b><u>December 2023</u></b>
Flu immunization team in school - <b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December</b>
Christmas Jumper Day - <b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December</b>
Last day in school before the Christmas holiday - <b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December</b>
<b><u>January 2024</u></b>
Children return to school after the Christmas holiday - <b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January (8<sup>th</sup> January is a teacher training day).</b>
<b><u>February 2024</u></b>
Last day in school before the half term holiday - <b>Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February</b>
Children return to school after the half term holiday - <b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February</b>
<b><u>March 2024</u></b>
Last day in school before the Easter holiday - <b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March</b>
<b><u>April 2024</u></b>
Children return to school after the Easter holiday - <b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April</b>
<b><u>May 2024</u></b>
Bank holiday Monday - school closed to pupils - <b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May.</b>
<b>Year Six SATs week - Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May - Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May. Please do not book holidays for your Year Six child during this week.</b>
Last day in school before the half term holiday - <b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May.</b>
<b><u>June 2024</u></b>
Children return to school after the half term holiday - <b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.</b>
Year Four Multiplication check - <b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June - Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June (Children take one test at some point during this time.)</b>
Year One Phonics Screening Check - <b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June.</b>
Occasional Day - School Closed for children - <b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June</b>
<b><u>July 2024</u></b>
Reports out to parents - <b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July.</b>
Last Day of term - <b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July</b>

## Message from Mrs. Nellis:

It has been another great week in school. The children continue to settle into their new classes and routines. Children in Years 1-6 should all have **reading books/ home readers now**. Children in Reception will be receiving reading books soon. For those of you who would like more information about phonics and how to help your child's reading at home, then please do attend the **phonics and reading workshop that Mrs. Commons will be delivering on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November**.

We would be grateful if parents and carers could refrain from **vaping** on the school grounds, including the area outside the main office entrance.

We have had a number of complaints again about **parking**, particularly around the main Glynwood Gardens gate. It is NOT safe to block these gates in any way. Many members of our school community have commented on the danger to children of unsafe parking (and maneuvers) and emergency vehicles must be able to access the school and the surrounding streets at all times. Please be considerate when parking. **Also remember that you can park in the Beacon Lough Baptist Church car park and use the Southend Road entrance.**

## **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), Carolyn Dobbing (Home School Liaison Officer), Simon Otterson (Deputy 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.

**Online safety** is a safeguarding focus for all schools this year. Online safety assemblies have been held this week for children in Years 1-6. Talking to your child about the best way of keeping safe online would be a useful way of checking their understanding of this very important matter.

## **Flu Vaccinations will take place in school on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

You should have received an information letter with your child last week - the letter explains that consents are being collected electronically this year- the link below will enable you to do this.

<https://www.northumbriaimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

The School code is below

**NB108372**

Reception would be very grateful for any donation of dolls, doll-sized prams and buggies.

**School Clubs** - Sports clubs have been well attended this week and we've had great feedback from the children and the coaches. There are still places for the Chimney Sweep drama club, if you would like to book a place.

### Yrs 1-3 link

[Glynwood Community Primary School |  
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[chimneysweepte.co.uk](http://chimneysweepte.co.uk)

### Yrs 4-6 link

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A reminder that the gates are now closing at 8:55am. **Children can enter school anytime between 8:45 and 8:55am.** We appreciate your cooperation with this. Gates are closed to the perimeter of the school each day at this time in order to ensure the safety of the children - if you do enter from Southend Road using the buzzer, then please ensure that the door is shut behind you.

Please see below for information about the best people to talk to if you have any questions, queries or concerns. In the first instance, it is usually best to ask the staff who work directly with your child (teacher or teaching assistant).

With my best wishes

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 Lead)



Carolyn Dobbing (Home School Liaison Officer)



Esther Commons (SENDco/ KS1 Leader)



Jude Etherington (Y3/4 Lead)

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).