



Growing Together  
at Glynwood

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**04/10/24**

**October 2024**

Hello Yellow Day - **Thursday October 10<sup>th</sup>** (Non-uniform - include something yellow!)

Family Attendance Meetings- **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October**

Half term holiday **28 October - 1 November**

Year Four Harvest Festival - Y4 Families invited - **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 2:45pm**

**November 2024**

School closed for staff training - **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November**

Remembrance Day - **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November** (special assembly in school)

Odd Socks Day - 12<sup>th</sup> November - Wear Odd Socks for School

Parent/ Carer Consultation for Reception and Y1 and Y2 - **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November**

Children in Need Day - Non-uniform for a donation - **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November**

Parents evening for Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 - **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November**

Christmas holidays - break up 20<sup>th</sup> December and return to school 6<sup>th</sup> January

**December 2024**

Christmas Jumper Day (wear your Christmas jumper to school) - **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

Christmas Party Day (children to come to school in party clothes) - **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

Year 3 and Year 4 (Year 3 lead performance) - Carols at St. John's - **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 2:30pm (parents invited) TBC**

Year 5 and Year 6 (Year 5 lead performance) - Carols at St. John's - **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 2:30pm (parents invited) TBC**

Nursery and reception and KS1 Christmas performance dates will be set soon.

**January 2025**

**Panto for pupils - Puss in Boots on Treasure Island - Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January**

**French Day - Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January**

## February 2025

Valentine's Disco -Reception - Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February at 2:15pm

Safer Internet Day - Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February (Assembly in school for children)

Valentine's Disco - Year One and Two - Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 3:30 - 4:30pm

Valentine's Disco - Year Three and Year Four - Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Valentine's Disco - Year Five and Year Six - Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Half term holiday - break up on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February and return to school on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

March 2025

World Book Day - Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March - more information to follow.

Red Nose Day - Non-uniform - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March

## April 2025

Family Attendance Meetings - Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

Faith Day - Friday 11<sup>th</sup> 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 11<sup>th</sup> April and return to school on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April

## May 2025

Earth Day-non-uniform day (wear something green) - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May

BANK HOLIDAY - School Closed - Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May

Year 6 SATs week - Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May - Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May

Family attendance meetings - Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May

Break up for half term holiday on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May and return to school on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

## June 2025

Year Four Multiplication Check - Week beginning 2<sup>nd</sup> June

Nursery and Reception Sports Day - Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June at 2:15pm

Year One and Year Two Sports Day - Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June at 2:15pm

Year Three and Year Four Sports Day - Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 2:15pm

Year Five and Year Six Sports Day - Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 2:15pm

Year One Phonics Screening - Week Beginning Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June

Occasional Day - School Closed - Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June

Rainbow Day- Non-uniform and assembly in school - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June

Glynwood Arts, Music and Craft Festival - 23<sup>rd</sup> June - Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July

## July 2025

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

Family attendance meetings - Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July

Pupil end of year reports out to families - Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July

Last Day of term for the summer break - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July

## Message from Mrs. Nellis:

Dear Families,

I would firstly like to take this opportunity to say thank you to those parents and carers who have shared their support for both the school and me personally during a challenging week. As per yesterday's communication, please do contact me if you have anything that you would like to discuss - I would much rather talk to families directly than people feel concerned or worried when questions can be answered and explanations given. Attached to the newsletter is an overview of how we keep children safe in school - I hope that this does reassure you all. Safeguarding is the most important aspect of all that we do. Policies are on our website or you can call in and ask for paper copies if you would prefer.

**Annual Consent Form** - we are still waiting for a few parents to complete the consent form on parentmail, if you have not done this yet could you please do so as soon as possible.

**Hello Yellow Day - Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October** is Hello Yellow Day. This is a mental health awareness day and children are invited to wear non-uniform and if possible something yellow. There is no donation required for this day.

**Year 6 Parents/ Carers** - the deadline to apply for a secondary school for your child for next year is approaching (31<sup>st</sup> October 2024) - please apply on line via the Gateshead Council website.

**Vaping on site**- please do not vape on the school site.

**SENCo role** - Mrs. Commons will be absent until Christmas for a planned operation. Mrs. Jobling and I will be taking on the role of SENCo in her absence. Both Mrs. Jobling and I are fully qualified SENCOs and I was a SENCo for 11 years prior to my headship at Glynwood. Mrs. Jobling's dedicated SENCo time will be a Friday and mine will be a Thursday. However, I am available across the week if there are any urgent concerns.

**National Poetry Day - Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October** was National Poetry Day. The Reading Ambassadors read some wonderful poems during our Friday morning assembly. Well done to them all!

**Parent Workshop for families with children under 5** - please see the flier attached.

As always, my door is open - please do call school if you would like to speak to me.

With my best wishes

Vicky Nellis

Head Teacher

## 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), 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.